

only by and with the consent of a majority of the members of the senate.

SECTION 7. 20.72 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.72 (1) There is appropriated from the general fund to the director of the budget, annually, beginning July 1, * * * 1945, \$50,000 for the execution of the functions of the state budget bureau and for the performance by the budget director and his staff of such travel as he may deem necessary. Of this there is allotted to the director of the budget an annual salary of * * * \$7,000.

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CHAPTER 166.

AN ACT to repeal 59.08 (19) and (42) and to repeal and recreate 75.35 of the statutes, relating to the sale of lands or interests therein, acquired or to be acquired by tax enforcement procedure.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 59.08 (19) and (42) of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 2. 75.35 of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

75.35 SALE OF TAX CERTIFICATES AND TAX DEEDED LANDS.

(1) DEFINITIONS. The following terms, wherever used or referred to in this section shall have the following respective meanings, unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context:

(a) "Municipality" means any county, town, city, village or other municipal or quasi-municipal corporation authorized by law to purchase tax certificates, take tax deeds or become the owner of tax deeded lands.

(b) "Tax deeded lands" means lands which have been acquired by a municipality through enforcement of the collection of delinquent taxes by tax deed, foreclosure of tax certificate, deed in lieu of tax deed or other means.

(2) POWER OF MUNICIPALITY TO SELL TAX DEEDED LANDS. (a) Any municipality shall have the power

to sell and convey its tax deeded lands in such manner and upon such terms as its governing body may by ordinance or resolution determine, including without restriction because of enumeration, sale by land contract, or by quitclaim or warranty deed with mortgage from vendee to secure any unpaid balance of the purchase price. Such mortgage may be foreclosed in the same manner as any other mortgage. The title to lands conveyed by land contract shall remain in the municipality until fully paid for and in the event of default in such payment the municipality may foreclose the land contract with costs and reasonable attorney fees. When such land contract runs to a person or private corporation, the lands therein conveyed shall be placed on the tax roll and be subject to taxation the same as though absolute title thereto was vested in the purchaser under such land contract. Such purchaser shall be liable to pay all taxes against such land and in the event of failure to make such payment the municipality may pay the same and add the sum so paid to the amount due on the land contract.

(b) The governing body of any municipality authorized by law to acquire tax certificates may, by ordinance prescribing the terms of sale, authorize its clerk or treasurer to sell and assign such certificates, and in its discretion may restrict such sale or assignment to persons having an ownership interest in such lands or who own a tax certificate of a prior year thereon.

(c) Any conveyance by land contract or deed or satisfaction of mortgage shall be executed by the clerk of the municipality under his hand and the seal of such municipality.

(d) The governing body of any municipality may delegate its power to manage and sell tax deeded lands to a committee constituted of such personnel and in such manner and compensated at such rate as such governing body may by ordinance determine, provided that the compensation and mileage of county board members serving on such committee shall be limited and restricted as provided in section 59.06 (2), or such governing body may delegate the power of acquisition, management and sale of tax deeded lands or any part of such power to such officer and departments of the municipality as such governing body may by ordinance determine. Such ordinance shall prescribe the policy to be followed in the acquisition, management and sale of tax deeded land and shall prescribe generally the powers and duties of such committee, officers, departments, employees and

agents. The governing body is authorized to engage licensed real estate brokers and salesmen to assist in selling such lands and pay a commission for such service and to advertise such sale in such manner as it deems proper. Such governing body may appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

(3) PREFERENCE TO FORMER OWNER TO RE-PURCHASE. The governing body of any municipality may, at its option, by ordinance provide that in the sale of tax deeded lands, the former owner who lost his title through delinquent tax collection enforcement procedure, or his heirs, may be given such preference in the right to purchase such lands as such ordinance shall provide. Such ordinance shall not apply to tax deeded lands which have been improved for or dedicated to a public use by such municipality subsequent to its acquisition thereof.

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CHAPTER 167.

AN ACT to create chapter 337, laws of 1935, section 40a, relating to the county court of Langlade county and to issuance of executions upon judgments rendered by said court under its justice court jurisdiction.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Chapter 337, laws of 1935, section 40a is created to read:

(Chapter 337, Laws of 1935) Section 40a. Notwithstanding section 303.07 of the statutes or any other law to the contrary, upon any judgment rendered by the county court or judge thereof in actions commenced by process common to justice courts, except when stayed according to law, execution shall be issued by said county court or judge thereof in the manner prescribed by law for executions upon judgments of justices of the peace at any time, upon demand, within 10 years from the rendition of such judgment.

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