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CHAPTER 261.

AN ACT to repeal and recreate 38.09 (3) of the statutes, relating to committees of boards of school directors in cities of the first class.

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

38.09 (3) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

38.09 (3) A committee, consisting of the president and 4 other members of the board selected by the president, shall consider and make recommendations to the board on all matters pertaining to the instructional program and the instructional staff, including all employes defined as teachers in section 38.24 (19), except those appointed by the superintendent as provided in subsection (2); shall cause all applicants for employment or promotion as such teachers to be examined on a strict basis of eligibility, fitness and qualifications as provided by statute and the rules and regulations of the board; and shall act upon the nominations and recommendations of the superintendent for the employment, classification and promotion of such teachers. The superintendent is empowered to assign all such teachers, and to engage and assign substitute teachers at the per diem compensation fixed by the board. Such committee shall determine the courses of study and textbooks for the schools. Courses of study in the elementary schools shall include reading, writing, spelling, English, grammar and composition, geography, arithmetic, elements of agriculture and conservation of natural resources, history and civil government of the United States and of Wisconsin, physical education, sanitation, physiology and hygiene, the effects of stimulants and narcotics upon the human system, symptoms of disease, proper care of the body and such other subjects as the board may from time to time determine. No pupil shall be required to take instruction in physiology and hygiene, the effects of stimulants and narcotics and symptoms of disease if a parent shall file with the teacher written objection thereto. Courses in arithmetic, the sciences, business and commerce, civics, English, languages, history, mathematics, physical training and such other subjects as the board may from time to time determine shall be taught in the high schools. The specified courses shall be offered in the several elementary and high school grades for such periods of time in any day, week, or month as the superintendent shall prescribe and the committee shall approve. All instruction shall be in the English language, except that the board may cause any foreign language to be taught in either the elementary or high schools. All actions by the committee shall be subject to amendment, rejection or confirmation by the board.

Approved June 15, 1949.
