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**CHAPTER 601.**

AN ACT to create 36.06 (9) of the statutes, relating to additional powers of the university board of regents, and the utilization of facilities of a central library depository.

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

36.06 (9) of the statutes is created to read:

36.06 (9) (a) The regents are authorized to participate in the formation and maintenance of a nonprofit-sharing corporation sponsored by participating colleges, universities and libraries, for the purpose of providing and operating a central library depository at a location in a midwestern state for the storage of little used books and other library and research materials of participating institutions, and which corporation may also perform other functions for the benefit of participating institutions such as, but not by way of limitation by reason of enumeration, the correlating of library catalogs of the participating institutions, the co-ordinating and planning of the purchasing by each institution of costly or infrequently used books and research materials in order to avoid unnecessary duplication, and facilitating the loaning of library books and other library

and research materials between participating institutions. The regents shall possess all the powers necessary or convenient to accomplish the foregoing, including the authority to designate representatives or members of such corporation in accordance with its articles and by-laws.

(b) The regents are authorized to make use of and pay for the use of the facilities and services of such nonprofit-sharing corporation; provided that the regents shall retain title to all books and materials deposited with such corporation for storage or loaned to other participating institutions, and that the authority of the regents to expend funds for the purchase of land, the construction of buildings and additions to buildings, and the purchase of equipment for the purpose of providing such facilities, shall be limited to funds appropriated pursuant to section 20.41 (15) and (16). Except as hereinbefore provided, the appropriations to the regents under chapter 20 are to be available to the regents for the purposes of this section to the extent that such appropriations may be applicable and without reference to whether any particular appropriation is available for expenditure at the university at Madison or elsewhere.

Approved August 3, 1949.

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