

1971 Assembly Bill 101

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CHAPTER 82, Laws of 1971

AN ACT to repeal 16.79 (3) and 35.84 (2) (b) and (c); to amend 35.24 (1) (a) and 35.91 (3) (a); to repeal and recreate 35.24 (2); and to create 35.84 (2) (a) 3m of the statutes, relating to the content and publication time of the Wisconsin Blue Book.

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

SECTION 1. 16.79 (3) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. 35.24 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

35.24 BLUE BOOK. (1) (a) The legislative reference bureau shall compile, index, prepare and deliver to the department biennially copy for a book to be denominated "Wisconsin Blue Book" which shall contain the biographies and pictures of state officers, senators and representatives to the assembly and officers of each house, information pertaining to the organization of Wisconsin state government, and statistical and other information of the same general character as that heretofore published, but so selected and condensed as will limit the number of pages to ~~900~~ 1,000 or less. In making such selection the legislative reference bureau is directed to consult freely with the state superintendent and the director of the historical society, and insofar as possible, make the book useful for civics classes in schools. The department shall deliver said copy to the contract printer not later than January ~~31~~ in each ~~even-numbered~~ odd-numbered year, to be printed and delivered ~~not later than June 15~~ as soon as practicable after the spring election of the same year. A 500-copy reprint edition of that part of the book pertaining to the organization of Wisconsin state government shall be delivered on December 1 preceding the publication date.

SECTION 3. 35.24 (2) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

35.24 (2) One-half of the total number printed of each edition of the Blue Book shall be cloth bound in hard covers, and shall have a blue spine. The remaining one-half of each edition shall be bound in a substantial soft cover.

(a) For the distribution of Blue Books under s. 35.84 in allotments of 200 copies or more, the same ratio of hard cover copies to paper bound copies shall apply.

(b) For all other Blue Books to be distributed under s. 35.84:

1. Hard cover copies shall be used to fill the allotments under s. 35.84 (2) (a), (d), (f) and (g), (3) (b) and (c), (4) (b) and (d), (5) (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (g), (h), (k) and (L), (6) (a), (d) and (e) and (8) (a) to (k).

2. Soft cover copies shall be used to fill the allotments under s. 35.84 (2) (e) and (m), (3) (d) and (e), (4) (a) and (e), (7) (a), (c), (j) and (p) and (8) (m).

SECTION 3g. 35.84 (2) (b) and (c) of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 3r. 35.84 (2) (a) 3m of the statutes is created to read:

35.84 (2) (a) 3m. Blue books for distribution. The department shall contact each member of the legislature. Each senator may request not to exceed 400 copies. Each representative to the assembly may request not to exceed 250 copies.

SECTION 4. 35.91 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

35.91 (3) (a) ~~The Soft cover copies of the Blue Book shall be sold at \$1 per copy. If available, hard cover copies of the Blue Book may be sold at \$2 per copy.~~

SECTION 5. 1971 WISCONSIN BLUE BOOK. Within 4 months following passage and publication of this act and to provide during the period between publication of the 1970 Wisconsin Blue Book and the 1973 Wisconsin Blue Book an official state publication of similar nature, the legislative reference bureau shall cause the publication of a volume, to be entitled "1971 Wisconsin Blue Book". The volume shall be bound in a substantial cover, and shall be limited to 400 pages or less. It shall contain the results of the 1970 general election, the current text of the Wisconsin constitution as affected by amendments adopted in the 1971 spring election (if any), a summary description of Wisconsin state government and its 3 branches, the pictures and biographies of the elective state officials who are in office during the 1971 and 1972 calendar years, and such other materials of a statistical or descriptive nature as were provided in the 1969 edition of the Wisconsin Book. The number of copies printed, and their distribution, shall be the same for the 1971 Wisconsin Blue Book as would have been ordered for a 1972 edition of the Wisconsin Blue Book.

SECTION 6. 1973 WISCONSIN BLUE BOOK. The first regular biennial edition of the Wisconsin Blue Book, to be published under section 35.24 (1) (a) of the statutes as affected by this act, shall be issued in 1973. It shall contain the results of the 1972 general election, the historical and current text of the Wisconsin constitution including amendments adopted in the 1973 spring election (if any), a detailed description of Wisconsin state government and its 3 branches including organization charts (to be up-to-date as of November 1, 1972), the pictures and detailed biographies of the elective state officials who will be in office during the 1973 and 1974 calendar years (to be up-to-date as of January 15, 1973), a substantial article on a governmental topic of state-wide interest, and such other materials of a statistical or descriptive nature as were provided in prior editions of the Wisconsin Blue Book.