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Approved April 22, 1891.

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CHAPTER 359.

AN ACT to amend section 2039, of the revised statutes of this state, as amended by chapter 551, of the laws for the year 1887, relating to charitable trusts.

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

Amends sec.
2039, R. S. 1878.

Gifts, grants
and devises of
real estate to
charitable or
literary corpo-
ration void,
when.

SECTION 1. Section 2039, of the revised statutes of this state, as amended by chapter 551, of the laws for the year 1887, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following: Religious corporations or societies, incorporated or organized under the laws of this state, shall be held and considered charitable corporations, within the provisions of this section; but no gift, grant or devise of real estate to any such literary or charitable corporation shall be valid, unless made at least three months before the death of the person making the same. Provided, however, that no person leaving a widow, child or parent, shall by his last will and testament, devise or bequeath to any benevolent, charitable, literary, scientific, religious or missionary society, association or corporation, in trust or otherwise, more than one-half part of his estate, after the payment of his debts; and such devise or bequest shall be valid to the extent of such one half, and no more.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
Approved April 22, 1891.