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**CHAPTER 515.**

AN ACT to create section 111a of the statutes of 1898, and repealing chapter 438 of the laws of 1901 and chapter 4 of the laws of 1905, relating to employes of the legislature, and making an appropriation therefor.

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

**Legislative appointees; salaries; distribution of bills, etc.**

SECTION 1. There is hereby created and added to the statutes of 1898 a new section to be known and to read as follows:

Section 111a. The chief clerks of the senate and assembly, respectively, elected at the beginning of every regular session of the legislature, shall perform such duties as are now by law and custom devolved upon those officers, including direct supervision by each of all of the clerical work for the house of which he is the chief clerk. The compensation of each shall be eight hundred dollars for the full term of a regular session, and, in case of service at an extra or special session, ten dollars a day for such service, and for service at the opening of a regular session, fifty dollars.

The sergeant-at-arms of the senate and assembly, elected at the beginning of every regular session of the legislature, shall perform such duties as are now by law and custom devolved upon those officers, including direct supervision by each of the work of the assistants, postmaster, document room attendants, janitors and messengers of the house of which he is sergeant-at-arms. His compensation shall be six hundred dollars for the full term of a regular session, and in case of service at an extra or special session, seven dollars a day for such service.

“The number, duties and compensation of the subordinate clerks of the senate shall be as follows:

One journal clerk, five dollars a day.

One assistant journal clerk, five dollars a day.

One book-keeper, five dollars a day.

One index clerk, who shall be an expert in card indexing, who shall prepare the indices, five dollars a day.

One clerk of the committee on engrossed bills, who shall be

an expert stenographer and typewriter, to have charge of the engrossing room, five dollars a day.

One clerk for the joint committee on claims, who shall be a stenographer and typewriter and have a general knowledge of accounts, five dollars a day.

Eight clerks, who shall each be expert in stenography and typewriting, to perform general clerical duties for members and committees, each five dollars a day.

Four clerks who shall be expert in the use of the typewriter, to engross bills, each four dollars a day.

After thirty days from the beginning of the session, two clerks who shall be expert in typewriting, to engross bills, each three dollars a day.

The number, duties and compensation of the subordinate clerks of the assembly shall be as follows:

The same as above provided for the senate excepting one clerk for the joint committee on enrolled bills in lieu of the clerk for the joint committee on claims, who shall be an expert proof reader, five dollars a day.

Also one general clerk to assist the book-keeper, four dollars a day.

One second general clerk, four dollars a day.

Three clerks who shall each be expert in stenography and typewriting, to engross bills and perform general clerical work for members and committees, four dollars a day.

In the absence of the chief clerk one of the clerks of the body appointed by him in writing, shall perform his duties.

Only males shall be employed. Each clerk required to do typewriting shall furnish his own typewriter. Such clerk shall be chosen from the eligible list furnished by the civil service commissioners in such manner as the rules of the senate and assembly may provide. The chief clerks of the senate and of the assembly respectively shall have the general direction and control of the work to be performed by all such clerks and may assign to them such other duties as may be necessary, and shall make such assignments and impose such duties upon the clerks as may be prescribed by the rules.

The employes of each house shall be as herein provided, but either house in the manner prescribed by the rules may at any time reduce the number of any of such employes."

"The number, duties and compensation of the subordinates of the sergeant-at-arms of the senate shall be as follows:

One assistant sergeant-at-arms, five dollars a day.

One postmaster, four dollars a day.

One custodian of the document room, who shall perform such duties as may be required by the rules of the body, and attend to the mailing required by law, four dollars a day.

One policeman, three dollars a day.

One night-watchman, three dollars a day.

One night-laborer, three dollars a day.

Eight messengers, each two dollars a day.

The number, duties and compensation of the subordinates of the sergeant-at-arms of the assembly shall be as follows:

The same as above provided for the senate, and in addition thereto:

One assistant document room attendant, three dollars a day.

One post office messenger, who shall carry and deliver the mail for both houses, three dollars a day.

Four messengers, each of whom shall be paid two dollars a day.”

“Provided, that whenever the rules of either house shall prescribe a different method of appointing the subordinates of the sergeant-at-arms of either house, such subordinates shall be appointed in the manner prescribed by the rules.

The subordinates of the clerk and the sergeant-at-arms shall perform such other duties as the rules may require, and their number may be reduced from time to time pursuant to the provisions of the rules.

For the convenience and the expeditious transaction of the business of the legislature, the chief clerk of either house may, from time to time, make such temporary changes in the assignments of his respective assistants and subordinates as will in his judgment best accomplish these objects; and for like reason and purpose the sergeant-at-arms of either house may make temporary changes in the regular assignments of his assistants and subordinates, and may assign messengers for service in committee rooms. The chief clerks of the senate and assembly shall send to each county clerk and to each normal school, college and public library in this state as soon as printed, copies of all bills, resolutions, joint resolutions and memorials introduced into the senate and assembly and the senate and assembly journals and the enrolled bills, together with proper appliances for filing the same. Each county clerk shall keep the same on file in his office open to public examination and inspection. No employees for the legislature other than those provided for by this act shall be paid except by an act of the legislature, and payment of the salaries and per diem provided for in this act shall be made on the warrants of the secretary of state as now provided by law for

such services. The typewriters employed under this act shall furnish their typewriting machines without cost to the state.

**Appropriation.** SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated a sufficient sum to carry out the purposes of this act.

**Conflicting laws repealed.** SECTION 3. All acts and parts of acts conflicting with the preceding sections, including chapters 3 and 438 of the laws of 1901, chapter 4 of the laws of 1903 and chapter 4 of the laws of 1905, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 516.

AN ACT relating to chapter 399, laws of 1903, and providing for more fully carrying out the purposes thereof, and making an appropriation therefor.

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

**Commission created.** SECTION 1. The commission created by chapter 399, laws of Wisconsin for 1903, upon the membership thereof being reduced by vacancies to five members, shall thereafter consist of that number, the discretion of the governor as to the appointments thereto not being restricted by anything contained in such chapter.

**Vacancies; appointments.** SECTION 2. Members of the commission may resign in writing to the governor and upon a vacancy so, or otherwise occurring, the same shall be filled as in the first instance, subject to the foregoing section.

**Plan.** SECTION 3. The commission, after a new competition, shall adopt one of the plans received therein or in any