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**CHAPTER 566.**

AN ACT to amend chapter 40a of the statutes relating to the organization and government of cities and of common councils and adding section 925—22a to the statutes.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section to read:

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No. 575, S.]

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**CHAPTER 567.**

AN ACT to create section 4565c—5, of the statutes, relating to fur bearing animals and repeal section 4565c, of the statutes as amended.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section to read:

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SECTION 2. Section 4565c of the statutes, as amended is hereby repealed.

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the same or substantially the same proposition shall not be again submitted within two years thereafter.

(Ch. 124, 1907.)

**City boundary surveys; record, effect and test.** SECTION 925—21b. All cities whether organized under a general or special charter are hereby continued as bodies corporate by the name and style which they now bear, until the same is duly changed. The district or territory now embraced within the limits and boundaries of such cities, as now described, shall continue to be the boundaries of such cities until changed by law. Any city may direct a survey of its present boundaries to be made, and when properly attested such survey may be filed in the office of the register of deeds in the county or counties in which such city is located and when so filed such survey and plat shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein set forth, and after the lapse of one year such a survey and plat shall be conclusive evidence of such facts. Any citizen may, by appropriate legal procedure, test the correctness of said survey and plat. The time such action is pending shall be excluded from the above limitation of time. Subsequent extensions of the boundaries of such cities may be surveyed and such surveys filed in the manner above provided and may be tested in the same manner and with like effect as a survey and plat of the original boundaries.

(Ch. 493, 1907.)

**Cities of the first class: aldermen.** SECTION 925—22a.  
1. In each city of the first class in the state, whether operating under a general or special charter, there shall be elected to the common council as members thereof, twelve aldermen at large and one alderman from each ward and such aldermen shall constitute the sole legislative body of such city. The powers and salary of the aldermen shall be the same as now or is subsequently provided. The aldermen elected at large, after the first election, shall be elected for a term of four years, the aldermen from the wards shall be elected for a term of two years. At the first election of aldermen at large, there shall be twelve elected, the six having the largest number of votes to hold for a term of four years and the second six to hold for a term of two years, when their successors are to be elected for a term of four years.

**Election day.** 2. The election of aldermen under the provision of this act shall take place on the first Tuesday of April, 1908, and biennially thereafter.

(Ch. 566, 1907.)

**City officers: methods of choosing.** SECTION 925—25. 1. The mayor, treasurer, comptroller, \* \* \* aldermen, justices of the peace and supervisors shall be elected by the people. The other officers \* \* \* shall be elected or otherwise selected as provided by ordinance approved by the electors of the city: provided, that in case any such officer, except policemen, shall be appointed by the mayor, such appointment shall be subject to confirmation by the council. *In cities where the clerk performs the duties of comptroller, the clerk shall be elected by the people.*

**Methods under general charter.** 2. *In all cities operating under the general law, officers, except as herein specified, shall continue to be elected or appointed in the manner now provided by law. In cities adopting the general law all officers shall continue to be elected or appointed in the manner prevailing in such cities at the time of the adoption of the general law, until changed in the manner herein provided, except as herein otherwise provided.*

**Change of method by initiative and referendum.** 3. *Upon petition of fifteen per centum of the electors voting at the last preceding election the council shall submit the question of changing the manner of election of any city official to the method specified in such petition except as to those officials enumerated in section 1 of this act who are to be elected by the people. Thereafter such officers shall be elected or appointed in the manner determined by the electors at such election.*

**Cities of fourth class: elective method chosen by petitioners.** - 4. In cities of the fourth class the clerk and \* \* \* other officers, \* \* \* may be elected by the electors at the same time and in the same manner as other officers are elected, upon a petition asking therefor being filed in the office of the city clerk fifteen days prior to any regular municipal election, signed by \* \* \* *thirty per cent.* of the electors of such city who voted at the last general election then next preceding as appears from the poll list.