

shall be audited and paid the same as other claims against towns are audited and paid. The amount of money which may be so expended upon the highways in any one year shall not exceed the amount of highway taxes liable to be paid in money in that year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 390.

AN ACT to amend subsection *3 of section 1946n of the statutes, relating to collection of special fire marshal tax upon fire insurance companies.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection 3 of section 1946n of the statutes is amended to read: *3. For the purpose of maintaining the department of state fire marshal and paying all the expenses incident thereto, every fire insurance company doing business in the state of Wisconsin, except town mutual insurance companies heretofore or hereafter organized under the provisions of section 1927, statutes of 1898, and the acts amendatory thereof, shall pay to the * * * *commissioner of insurance* within thirty days after the passage and publication of this act and * * * *on or before the first day of February*, annually thereafter in addition to the taxes now required by law to be paid by such company, * * * *three-eighths* of one per cent on the gross premium and assessment receipts of such companies on all business done in Wisconsin in the year next preceding, as shown by their annual statements under oath to the insurance department. *The commissioner of insurance shall pay over the moneys thus collected to the state treasurer.* The money so received into the treasury shall be set aside as a special fund for the maintenance of such office of state fire marshal and the expenses incident thereto. The state shall not be liable in any manner for the salary of said fire marshal, his deputies, clerks, assistants, employes or for the maintenance of the office of fire marshal or any expenses incident thereto, and the same shall be payable only from the special fund provided for in this subsection.

* This subs. also amended by ch. 211, 1909.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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- CHAPTER 391.

AN ACT to create sections 1729m and 1729n of the statutes, relating to hours of labor on public buildings or works of the state.

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

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes two new sections to read: Section 1729m. Each and every contract hereafter made for the erection, construction, remodeling or repairing of any public building or works, to which the state or any officer or agent thereof is a party, which may involve the employment of laborers, workmen or mechanics, shall contain a stipulation that no laborer, workman or mechanic in the employ of the contractor, subcontractor, agent or other person, doing or contracting to do all or a part of the work contemplated by the contract, shall be permitted to work more than eight hours in any one calendar day, except in cases of extraordinary emergencies, provided, however, that this section shall apply only to such work as is actually performed on the premises on which such buildings or works are being erected, constructed, remodeled or repaired.

Section 1729n. Any officer or agent of the state of Wisconsin or any contractor, sub-contractor or agent thereof, who violates any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding two hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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