

said person shall, before the bids are opened, make known the fact that he has made an error, omission or mistake, and in such case his bid shall be returned to him unopened and the said person shall not be entitled to bid upon the contract at hand unless the same is re-advertised and relet upon such advertisement. In case any such person shall make an error or omission or mistake and shall discover the same after the bids are opened, he shall immediately and without delay give written notice and make known the fact of such mistake, omission or error which has been committed and submit to the municipality, board, public body or officers thereof, clear and satisfactory evidence of such mistake, omission or error and that the same was not caused by any careless act or omission on his part in the exercise of ordinary care in examining the plans, specifications, and conforming with the provisions of this section, and in case of forfeiture, shall not be entitled to recover the moneys or certified check forfeited as liquidated damages unless he shall prove before a court of competent jurisdiction in an action brought for the recovery of the amount forfeited, that in making the mistake, error or omission he was free from carelessness, negligence or inexcusable neglect.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 396.

AN ACT to amend paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 221.255 of the statutes, relating to receiving stations of banks. *The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 221.255 of the statutes (created by chapter 8, laws of 1933) is amended to read: (221.255) (1) (c) Receiving stations shall be established only in the county in which the bank operates *or within the trade area of the home office of the bank and not more than thirty-five miles from such home office. Such trade area shall be determined and designated by the commissioner of banking and the banking review board in accordance with a petition of the persons to be served by such receiving station.*

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 397.

AN ACT to create section 60.72 of the statutes, relating to consolidation of adjoining townships by referendum vote of the electors of such townships.

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

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: 60.72 (1) (a) Any two or more adjoining townships in the same county may consolidate by a vote of two-thirds of the qualified electors voting upon such question in each of said townships in a referendum election to be conducted simultaneously in these townships as hereinafter provided.

(b) Such referendum election shall be initiated by identical petitions signed by the owners of two-thirds of the taxable property in each township. Such petition shall include one or more names for the proposed consolidated township from which the voters in such referendum election shall make a choice.

(2) (a) Such petitions shall be filed with the county judge of the county in which the respective townships are located.

(b) The county judge shall, and is hereby authorized to, providing the petition of the respective townships contain the required number of signatures, designate a day for holding a referendum election in the respective townships.

(c) Such elections shall be held on the day for the election of town officers and the voters shall be given not less than forty nor more than sixty days notice of such election.

(3) (a) In the referendum election the following question shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the townships proposed to be consolidated:

1. Shall township and township be consolidated (entering in the blank spaces the names of the townships proposed to be consolidated)?

(b) If more than one name for the consolidated township is suggested in the petitions providing for the referendum, then there shall be also submitted to the qualified electors of these