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CHAPTER 226, Laws of 1971

AN ACT to amend 16.275 (6) (a) 2, 5 and 7, 220.29, 256.16 (1) and 256.17 of the statutes, relating to observance of holidays to coincide with federal law.

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

SECTION 1. 16.275 (6) (a) 2, 5 and 7 of the statutes are amended to read:

16.275 (6) (a) 2. The last Monday in May, which shall be the day of celebration for May 30;

5. ~~The 4th Thursday in November or the day appointed by the governor as a day of thanksgiving;~~

7. ~~The day following if January 1, May 30, July 4 or December 25 falls on Sunday;~~

SECTION 2. 220.29 of the statutes is amended to read:

220.29 (1) No state bank, trust company bank or mutual savings bank shall transact business or be open for the purpose of transacting business on Sunday or on January 1, ~~May 30~~ the 3rd Monday in February (which shall be the day of celebration for February 12 and 22), the last Monday in May (which shall be the day of celebration for May 30), July 4, the first 1st Monday in September (Labor Day), the 2nd Monday in October, the 4th Monday in October (which shall be the day of celebration for November 11), the 4th Thursday of November or the day appointed by the governor as a day of public Thanksgiving in each year, December 25, or in each case on the succeeding Monday whenever any such day falls on a Sunday, or from 12 m. to 3 p.m. on Good Friday. They shall transact business and be open for the purpose of transacting business on any election day, city, county, state or national, and on February 12, February 22, October 12 and November 11 in each year unless such day falls on a Sunday or on a Saturday and such bank normally is not open on Saturdays.

(2) Nothing in any law of this state shall in any manner affect the validity of, or render void or voidable, the payment, certification or acceptance of a check or other negotiable instrument or any transaction by a bank because done or performed on any election day, city, county, state or national, or on ~~February 12, February 22, October 12 and November 11 in each year or on the succeeding Monday whenever any such day falls on a Sunday any day on which the federal reserve bank of the federal reserve district in which such bank is located is not open for the transaction of business because of such federal reserve bank's observance of a holiday on which Wisconsin banks are not required by statute to be closed for the transaction of business.~~

SECTION 3. 256.16 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

256.16 (1) The head of every department of the state government and of every court of the state, every superintendent or foreman on the public works of the state, every county officer, and the head of every department or office in any town, village, or city, or

other political subdivision, shall give a leave of absence with pay for ~~twenty-four~~ 24 hours on the ~~thirtieth day of last Monday in May of each year, or on such other day as may by law be designated as~~ "Memorial Day," which shall be the day of celebration for May 30, to every person in the employ of the state or any county, town, village or city therein, who has at any time served in and been honorably discharged from the army, navy ; or marine corps of the United States. A refusal to give such leave of absence to one entitled thereto, shall constitute neglect of duty.

SECTION 4. 256.17 of the statutes is amended to read:

256.17 January 1, ~~February 12, February 22~~ the 3rd Monday in February (which shall be the day of celebration for February 12 and 22), ~~May 30~~ the last Monday in May (which shall be the day of celebration for May 30), July 4, ~~October 12 (which shall be known as~~ "Landing Day" in commemoration of the landing of Columbus), ~~November 11, December 24,~~ the first 1st Monday in September which shall be known as Labor Day, ~~the 2nd Monday in October, the 4th Monday in October (which shall be the day of celebration for November 11),~~ the 4th Thursday of in November ~~or the day appointed by the governor as a day of public thanksgiving in each year,~~ December 25, the day of holding the September primary election, and the day of holding the general election in November ; are legal holidays. On Good Friday the period from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. shall uniformly be observed for the purpose of worship. In every city of the 1st class the day of holding any municipal election is a legal holiday, and in every such city the afternoon of each day upon which a primary election is held for the nomination of candidates for city offices is a half holiday and in counties having a population of 500,000 or more the county board may by ordinance provide that all county employes shall have a half holiday on the day of such primary election and a holiday on the day of such municipal election, and that employes whose duties require that they work on such days be given equivalent time off on other days. Whenever any of said days ~~shall fall~~ falls on Sunday the succeeding Monday shall be the legal holiday.

SECTION 5. SUBSTITUTION OF DATE. Wherever the term "November 11" appears in section 14.23 of the statutes, the term "the 4th Monday in October (which shall be the day of celebration for November 11)" is substituted.
