

No. 394, A.]

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CHAPTER 308.

AN ACT to amend sections 1 and 3, of chapter 251, of the laws of 1883, in regard to text books.

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

SECTION 1. That section 1, of chapter 251, of the laws of 1883, be amended so that it will read as follows: That section 440, of chapter 27, of the revised statutes, be, and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 440. The district board shall determine what school and text books shall be used in the several branches taught in the schools; they shall make a list of such books and file one copy with the clerk, and keep one copy posted in the school-house. When any such text books shall have been adopted (except in districts furnishing free text books to all pupils attending school therein), they shall not be changed for the term of three years, and no change of text books shall be made by a school board, except in districts furnishing free text books as aforesaid, unless authorized by a majority vote of the legal voters of a district, at a regular annual school meeting; and it is hereby made the duty of the district clerk to embody in his notice of such annual meeting the fact that the question of a change of text books will be submitted to the meeting.

Amends chapter 251, laws of 1883, and section 440, R. S. 1878.

Text books, to be used, to be determined by district board.

SECTION 2. That section 3, of said chapter 251, be amended so that it will read as follows: That section 514, of said chapter 27, of the revised statutes be, and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 514. The several boards of education having the government in cities of the public schools, shall determine what school and text books shall be used in the several branches of study pursued in the schools, and shall make a list of such books, file a copy with their clerk or secretary and keep a copy posted in each school building. When any such text books shall have been adopted, except in

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such city or cities as furnish to the pupils attending the public schools therein free text books, they shall not be changed for a term of three years. Any board of education in any city where the district system is not in force, may, under the limitations of this act, order changes in text books, as aforesaid; provided, except as to free text books, as aforesaid, that said changes shall be approved by the common council or board of aldermen of such city; and the aforesaid boards of education are hereby authorized to purchase text books for use in the public schools, and to loan or furnish them to pupils under such conditions or regulations as they may prescribe. But no text books shall be permitted in any free public schools, which would have a tendency to inculcate sectarian ideas.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 309.

AN ACT for the distribution of public documents.

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

State documents, printed and distributed.

SECTION 1. The secretary of state shall cause the state printer to collectively bind in cloth, in two volumes, with title and table of contents in each volume, seven hundred sets of the governor's message and other state documents provided for in section 3, chapter 526, laws of 1889, the same to be distributed as provided for in section 2 of this act. Said volumes shall be similar in make-up, arrangements and binding to the "Governor's message and accompanying documents," for the year 1889. The better to provide for the distribution hereinafter ordered, the secre-