

No. 709, A.]

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CHAPTER 104.

AN ACT to authorize the county judge of Columbia county to appoint a superintendent of the poor to fill a vacancy.

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

SECTION 1. The county judge of Columbia county is hereby authorized to appoint a superintendent of the poor for said county, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of John Q. Adams; such appointment to terminate when the county board of supervisors shall meet.

Superintendent
of the poor to
be appointed.

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

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CHAPTER 105.

AN ACT to regulate the disposition of the two per cent. tax on insurance companies in cities and villages, and amendatory of section 1926, of chapter 89, of Sanborn and Berryman's annotated statutes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1926, of Sanborn and Berryman's annotated statutes, is hereby amended by inserting the words "or part paid

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on either" after the words "voluntary department," where they occur in the thirty-third line thereof, and by inserting the word "treasurers" after the word "treasurer" where it occurs in the thirty-third line thereof, so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 1926. There shall be paid on the first day of February in each year to the treasurer of any city or village, or town containing an unincorporated village, having or maintaining a regularly organized fire department, as hereinafter provided, for the support and maintenance of such fire department, by every underwriter who shall effect any fire insurance, and by every person who shall act as agent for any fire insurance corporation or underwriter whatever, in such city, village or town, a duty of two per centum upon the amount of all premiums which, during the year or part of a year ending on the next preceding first day of January, shall have been received by such underwriter or agent, or by any other person for him, or shall have been agreed to be paid for any insurance effected or agreed to be effected, or promised by him as such agent or otherwise, against loss or injury by fire, in any such city or village, whether such village be incorporated or not. And no person shall, in any such city, village or town, as underwriter, agent or otherwise, effect or agree to effect, or procure to be effected, any insurance upon which the above duty is required to be paid, until he shall have executed and delivered to such treasurer a bond in the sum of one thousand dollars, with such sureties as such treasurer shall approve, conditioned, that he will annually render to such treasurer on the first day of February in each year a just and true account, verified by his affidavit, of all premiums which, during the year ending on the first day of January preceding such report, shall have been received by him, or any other person for him, or agreed to be paid for any insurance against loss or injury by fire in any such city or village which shall have been

effected or agreed to be effected by him, and that he will annually, on the first day of February, pay to the said treasurer two per centum upon the full amount of such premiums. Every person who shall effect or agree to effect any fire insurance in any such city or village, without having executed and delivered such bond, or who shall wilfully omit to pay such duty, shall, for each offense, forfeit one hundred dollars, which shall be paid into the treasury for the support and maintenance of such fire department. In case the fire department of any such city, village or town be a voluntary department or part paid, or either, having a treasurer or treasurers, all moneys received or collected by virtue of this act shall be paid to the treasurer of such department for the support and maintenance thereof exclusively. No city, village or town shall be entitled to such duty unless it shall have, support or maintain a fire department, consisting in case of a voluntary department, of at least one fire engine company with not less than ten active members, having at least one good fire engine and not less than five hundred feet of sound rubber, leather or other hose, kept in an engine house fit and ready at all times for actual service, and at least one hook and ladder company, with not less than twelve active members, having a good hook and ladder truck; and such companies shall hold meetings at least once a month. And in case of a paid or partly paid fire department, the buildings, machinery and materials hereinbefore enumerated, and the necessary men, teams and equipments, so as to constitute an active and properly equipped department, ready for service at all times. But in case any city, village or town shall have and maintain a system of waterworks with sufficient pressure for fire purposes, with one or more hose companies of not less than ten active members, each having not less than five hundred feet of sound rubber, leather or other hose, with one or more hose carts kept fit and ready at all times for actual service,

such city, village or town shall not be required to maintain a fire engine, and the fire department shall be entitled to receive the two per centum, named in this act.

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

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CHAPTER 106.

AN ACT to amend section 1, of chapter 251, of the laws of 1889, in relation to hotels, inns and boarding houses.

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

Penalty for cheating hotel keeper out of board bill.

SECTION 1. Section 1, of chapter 251, of the laws of 1889, is hereby amended by striking out the following words: "Any person who shall put up at any hotel, inn or boarding house, and shall procure any food, entertainment or accommodation, without paying therefor, except their credit is given by express agreement, with intent to cheat or defraud the owner or keeper of such hotel, etc., out of the pay for the same, or if," and by further amending the same so that said section when so amended shall be and read as follows: Section 1. Any person who shall obtain credit at any hotel or boarding house for food, entertainment or accommodation, by means of any false show of baggage or effects brought thereto, or who shall, with intent to cheat or defraud the owner or keeper of any such hotel, inn or boarding house, out of the pay for any such food, entertainment or accommodation,