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CHAPTER 198.

AN ACT to provide for the appointment of jurors to be sworn and serve as a jury to view lands in cities operating under special charters.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever in any city incorpo- appointment rated by and operating under a special charter serve as a granted by the legislature of this state, the jury to view requisite number of jurors shall have been summoned to appear before any court or judge, to be sworn and serve as a jury to view lands for the purpose of determining the necessity of taking any lands for public use, or vacating any highways, streets, alleys or public walks, and shall have appeared before said court or judge for the purpose of taking an oath or affirmation in the matter of such taking or vacating, and any of the jurors summoned shall fail to attend or shall be excused by the court or judge, the court or judge shall thereupon forthwith name and appoint the requisite number of other duly qualified jurors to serve upon said jury in the place of such jurors so excused, or failing to attend. Any juror so named and appointed may be examined by any person interested in such taking or vacating, who shall be present, and if it shall appear to the court or judge that any such juror or jurors are disqualified to act in the matter, he or they shall be excused, and a requisite number of other jurors shall be thereupon named and appointed in his place until the requisite number of jurors shall be obtained, and the said jurors shall thereupon before they proceed to view the premises proposed to be taken or vacated, severally take and subscribe an oath or affirmation before the

court or judge to the effect that they will faithfully and honestly discharge the duties imposed upon them, and determine whether or not it is necessary to take or vacate the premises in question for the public use.

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SECTION 2. Whenever such jurors shall have met in any duly authorized manner for the purpose of hearing persons interested in such taking or vacating, and any such juror or jurors shall be absent at the time set for such hearing and for one hour thereafter, the jurors present shall have power to publicly adjourn their proceedings to the same place for a period not exceeding twenty days, and the city attorney shall report the names of such absent juror or jurors to the chief of police or to any of the police officers of the city, together with the place and the hour to which such jury has adjourned, and the said chief of police or police officer shall thereupon notify said absent juror or jurors of such adjournment and direct them to be present at the time and place fixed by such adjournment.

SECTION 3. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act, are repealed, in so far as they interfere with this act and no further.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 11, 1895.