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CHAPTER 47.

AN ACT to amend chapter 288, laws of 1889, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 426, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to appropriate a portion of the common school fund income for the purchase of a school library.'"

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 288, of the general laws of 1889, entitled, "An act to amend chapter 426, laws of 1887, entitled, 'An act to appropriate a portion of the common school fund income for the purchase of a school library,'" is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 1. The treasurer of each town in this state shall withhold annually from the money received from the school fund income for the several school districts whose schoolhouses are located in the town of which he is the treasurer, an amount equal to ten cents for each person of school age residing in such districts for the purchase of books as hereinafter provided.

School library law amended.

SECTION 2. Between the tenth day of July and the thirty-first day of August in each year the town clerk, with the assistance of the county superintendent of schools, shall expend all money withheld by the town treasurer as provided in section 1, of this act, in the purchase of books selected from the lists prepared by the state superintendent as hereinafter provided, for the use of the several school districts from which money has been so withheld, and he shall distribute the books thus selected and purchased among the several school districts, in proportion to the sums of money withheld from each.

When money shall be expended.

SECTION 3. It is hereby made the duty of the state superintendent to prepare annually

State supt. to prepare a list of books biennially.

or biennially, as he may deem necessary, lists of books suitable for use in school district libraries, and furnish copies of such lists to each town clerk and each county superintendent, as often as the same shall be published or revised, from which lists the several town clerks shall select and purchase books for use in the public school libraries in the several towns of the state as provided in this act.

Record
of books
purchased
to be kept.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of each town clerk to keep a complete record of the books purchased by him and distributed to the several school districts, in a record book furnished by the state superintendent upon application, and he is hereby authorized from time to time, as he may deem necessary, to collect and re-distribute among the several school districts the books, purchased under the provisions of this act, in the same manner, as provided for first distribution, to the end that each district may have the use of all books purchased for use in the school district libraries of the town. For such services properly rendered, the town clerk shall be allowed the usual per diem of two dollars for the time actually and necessarily spent.

District clerk
to be librarian
of the district.

SECTION 5. Unless the school district shall, at the annual meeting, elect some other person to be librarian of the district, the district clerk shall act as librarian for the district and shall receive and have the care and custody of the books, distributed to the district, pursuant to the provisions of this act, and shall loan them to teachers, pupils and other residents of the district in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the state superintendent. It is further provided that during the periods that the school is in session the library shall be placed in the schoolhouse and the teacher shall act as librarian under the supervision of the district clerk or of the librarian elected at the annual meeting. The state superintendent shall have authority to suspend the operation of this act for any year in any or every town, by giving due notice of such suspension

to the respective town clerks on or before the tenth day of June.

SECTION 6. The superintendent of farm institutes shall deposit, each year, with the state superintendent of public instruction, a sufficient number of copies of the farm institute bulletin to supply every public school library of the state with one copy of each edition of said bulletin, which bulletins the state superintendent shall send to the various town clerks who shall distribute them to the public school libraries of the schools in their respective towns, from which libraries the said bulletins shall be loaned in like manner and under the same regulations prescribed for the loaning of books from the public school libraries of the state.

Farm institute bulletins to be deposited with the districts.

SECTION 7. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 48.

AN ACT to authorize the transfer of records to the proper county seats and to legalize the use of certified copies of such records for any and all purposes.

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

SECTION 1. Where a portion of the territory in any county in this state has been set off and made a part of another or different county, so that the original records of conveyances,

Regarding the custody of original records of divided counties.