laws of 1893, by authority supposed by the taxing authorities of such city to be conferred by said section, and all sales of property, real or personal, and other acts and proceedings of the officers of such city for enforcing payment of such special taxes, are hereby declared to be legal and valid to all intents and purposes; provided, however, that no future levy of any tax shall be made under said section, in any city in which a tax has heretofore been levied under or by authority thereof.

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

cation.

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CHAPTER 168.

AN ACT to authorize the levy of a tax by the common council of cities having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more, and authorized by law to establish and maintain a public museum therein.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever any city in this state Cities of shall have a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more, and such city is therefore authorized to maintain a public mustic state of the s thorized by law to erect and maintain a public eum. museum under the management and control of a board of trustees, it shall be competent for the common council of such city to annually levy and collect a tax upon all the taxable property

of such city at the same time and in the same manner as other city taxes are levied and collected by law, a special tax not exceeding oneseventh of a mill upon each dollar of the assessed valuation of said taxable property, the amount of which said tax shall be determined by said board of trustees and certified to the common council and to the city comptroller at the time of making their annual report to said council; and the entire amount of said special tax shall be paid into and held in the city treasury as a separate and distinct fund to be known as the museum fund, and shall not be appropriated or used directly or indirectly for any other purpose than for the maintenance and for the increase of the public museum, the payment of the salaries of the custodian, assistants and other employes of the museum, the purchase of furniture, fixtures, supplies and fuel and the incidental expenses of said museum, which said salaries shall not be increased in any manner within two years from and after the passage and publication of this act.

SECTION 2. All acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 2, 1897.