

and July, as aforesaid; and he shall thereupon draw his warrant for such aggregate amount, in behalf of said county, and shall deliver said warrant to the state treasurer, who shall thereupon place the amount of said warrant to the credit of said county on the books of the treasury. Such certificate shall be verified by the affidavit of the president and secretary of the board of trustees of such hospital, provided further, that before said warrant shall issue, the board of control shall determine as accurately as possible the number of acute and the number of chronic insane maintained in such hospital and certify the number of each to the secretary of state.

SECTION 2. All sums of money which would have become due to any such county under the provisions of section 10 of chapter 233, of the laws of Wisconsin for the year 1881 if the same had not been repealed shall be certified and paid to July 1, 1899, as provided by said act.

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

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CHAPTER 272.

AN ACT to amend section 486a, relating to libraries.

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

Fund for
libraries, how
derived and
expended.

SECTION 1. Section 486a of the Wisconsin statutes, 1898 is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 486a. The treasurer of

every town, incorporated village, or city of the fourth class in this state, shall withhold annually from the apportionment received from the school fund or other income for the school district or districts, the schoolhouse or schoolhouses of which are located in his town, village or city, an amount equal to ten cents per capita for each person of school age residing therein, for the purchase of library books as hereinafter provided. Between the first days of May and September of each year, the town, village, or city clerk except that in cities having a board of education such board of education, or a majority thereof, shall act in place of the city clerk, shall, with the assistance and advice of the county or city superintendent of schools, as the case may be, expend all such money in the purchase of books selected from the list prepared by the state superintendent, for the use of the several school districts from which money has been so withheld, said books to be distributed among said districts, in proportion to the amount of money withheld from each. In the case of joint districts between one or more towns, a town or towns and an incorporated village or city, the treasurer or treasurers of the town or towns, shall transmit to the treasurer of the town, village or city in which the schoolhouse or houses may be located, on or before the first day of June of each year, an amount equal to ten cents per capita for each person of school age residing in that part of the joint district in his town at the time of the last annual school census. The state superintendent shall prepare, as often as he shall deem necessary, lists of books suitable for school district libraries, and furnish copies of such list to each town, village or city clerk, or secretary of the board of education, and to each county or city superintendent, from which lists the above designated officers shall select and purchase books for use in such school libraries. Each town, village or city clerk, or secretary of the board of education, shall keep a record of the books so purchased and distributed in a book provided for that purpose. For such services

State superintendent to prepare list of books.

properly performed, each clerk or secretary shall be allowed two dollars per day for each day actually and necessarily devoted thereto, such sum to be paid out of the town, village or city treasury.

When state superintendent may suspend act.

SECTION 2. The state superintendent shall have authority to suspend the operation of this act in any school district, town, village or city which shall maintain a free public library by giving due notice of such suspension to the clerk of such school district, town, village or city.

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

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CHAPTER 273.

AN ACT to amend section 496c, Wisconsin statutes, relating to the establishment and maintenance of manual training departments in connection with free high schools and make an appropriation therefor.

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

State aid to manual training. How secured, amount of, and how paid.

SECTION 1. Section 496c of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898, is hereby amended by omitting after the word "superintendent" in the seventh line, the words, "provided, that he shall not place upon said list more than twenty schools," and after the word "school" in the twenty-first line, the words "provided, that the total amount expended for such purpose shall not exceed five thousand dollars in any year," so that when