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CHAPTER 332.

AN ACT to provide for the payment of road taxes in money in certain road districts.

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

Payment of highway taxes in money, in highway district, when. Section 1. In any town wherein a majority of the electors of said town have, under section 776 of the statutes of 1898, voted in favor of paying the highway taxes in labor, if a majority of the persons subject to assessment for highway taxes in any district in the said town shall before the time of assessment of highway taxes by the town board of the town, petition the town board in writing to have the highway taxes of said district paid in money, thereupon the town board of said town shall order the highway taxes of said district to be collected in money and expended in accordance with the provisions of chapter 52 of the statutes of 1898. The rate of assessment of highway taxes in such district paying in money shall be two-thirds of the rate as fixed by the town board for the said town.

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

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CHAPTER 333.

AN ACT to amend section 16 of the statutes of 1898, relating to the division of election districts.

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

Division of districts, how made; order for; election officers; change of boundaries. Section 1. Section 16 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 16.

Election districts as established may be divided into two or more districts in towns when the supervisors shall deem it for the convenience of the voters, and shall be divided when fifty or more electors thereof shall petition the board in writing therefor; and such division shall be made in wards, villages or towns when it shall appear that six hundred or more votes were cast in any such district therein at any election; provided, however, that no division shall be made in any town containing less than fifty sections of land unless it shall appear that four hundred or more votes were cast in such town at the last preceding general elec-Such division shall be made at least four months prior to the next succeeding general election, and shall be so made that the districts shall be composed of compact, contiguous territory, no one of which shall contain over five hundred voters. order or resolution making such division shall be filed with the proper city, village or town clerk who shall within five days after such filing, transmit a copy thereof to the county clerk, and in towns and villages the clerks thereof shall post copies of such order or resolution in five public places therein. The order or resolution shall designate the districts by numbers, and the place where the election in each shall be held, which place shall be fixed with a view to the convenience of the largest number of voters. The order dividing a town into districts shall designate the persons who shall act as election officers, if present in the district or districts thereby created. The persons so designated shall possess the qualifications hereinafter prescribed and represent the political parties in accordance with the provisions of this chapter respecting the officers of election in cities and villages. One of the persons named as inspectors for each district shall be designated as chairman. When a town is thus divided into election districts, the annual town meeting and all judicial and special town elections shall be held at election district number one; all other elections shall be held at the districts It shall be competent for town boards, village trustees or common councils to change the boundaries of election districts without creating new districts, subject to the foregoing conditions as to time, compactness of territory, filing of a copy of the order or resolution and posting copies thereof.

Conflicting laws repealed. Section 2. All acts and 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.

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