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CHAPTER 40.

AN ACT to authorize district boards to borrow money.

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

Purposes for which loan may be made. Section 1. Any school district may, by vote, at any annual, or lawfully called special meeting, authorize the district board to borrow money for a period not exceeding six months, for the purpose of paying teachers' wages and usual school expenses, not exceeding the amount of district taxes voted for such purposes at such meeting, to be collected with the next levy.

Board to deliver order to lender; interest. Section 2. Any district board, after being so authorized, may borrow such money of any person for not exceeding six months, and deliver to the lender thereof an order on the district treasurer for the amount so borrowed, payable on or before six months after date thereof, and drawing interest from date thereof not exceeding seven per cent. per annum.

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

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CHAPTER 41.

AN ACT to amend the negotiable instruments law of 1899.

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

When foreign bill to be protested; drawer and endorser, when discharged; duty of notary. Section 1. Section 1681-9 of said law is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the

provisions of section 176 of the statutes of 1898, repealed by chapter 356 of the laws of 1899, so that said section 1681-9 when so amended shall read as follows: Section 1681-9. Where a foreign bill appearing on its face to be such is dishonored by non-acceptance, it must be duly protested for non-acceptance, and where such a bill which has not previously been dishonored by non-acceptance is dishonored by non-payment, it must be duly protested for non-payment. If it is not so protested, the drawer and indorsers are discharged. Where a bill does not appear on its face to be a foreign bill, protest thereof in case of dishonor is unnecessary, Every notary public, when any bill of exchange or promissory note shall be by him protested for non-acceptance or non-payment, shall give notice thereof in writing to the drawer, maker and each indorser of such bill of exchange or promissory note; he shall also thereupon make a certificate under his hand and official seal, setting forth the presentment, demand, refusal and protest thereof for non-acceptance or nonpayment, the contents of the notice given, and the time and manner of service thereof, specifying the postoffice and reputed place of residence of each person notified by mail; he shall also thereupon make and keep a record of such certificate and of the description of the instrument protested; and such certificate or such record, or a certified copy thereof, shall be presumptive evidence of the facts therein stated. The want of such certificate or record, or both, shall not invalidate any such protest or notice, but the same may be proved by any other competent evidence.

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

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CHAPTER 42.

AN ACT to amend section 2001—16 of Wisconsin statutes 1898 relating to incorporation of churches.

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

Articles to be recorded in office of register of deeds. Section 1. Section 2001—16 of the revised statutes of 1898 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "and," in the sixth line of