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CHAPTER 282.

- AN ACT to amend chapter 297, laws of 1899, entitled, "An act to provide for the payment of the necessary traveling expenses of the assistant state superintendent and of the library clerk in the office of the state superintendent, and for the appointment of a mailing clerk in the office of the state superintendent and making an appropriation therefor."
- The people of the state of Wisconsin represented in senate and assembly do enact as follows:

Expenses of chief clerk. SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 297 of the laws of 1899, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: The chief clerk shall be reimbursed the expenses actually incurred by him in the performance of his duties when the accounts for such expenses are approved by the state superintendent.

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

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CHAPTER 283.

- AN ACT amendatory of section 750 of the statutes of 1898, authorizing assistance to district attorneys and providing for their suitable compensation.
- The people of the state of Wisconsin represented in senate and assembly do enact as follows:

District attorney pro tem.; assistance. SECTION 1. Section 750 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended by inserting after the word "prison" in the thirteenth line of said section

the words "and in cases of prosecutions before a grand jury and upon indictments found by grand juries," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 750. When there shall be no district attorney for the county, or he shall be absent from the court, or shall have acted as counsel or attorney for a party accused in relation to the matter of which the accused stands charged and for which he is to be tried, or is near of kin to the party to be tried on a criminal charge, or unable to attend to his duties, the circuit court may, by an order to be entered in the minutes, stating the cause therefor, appoint some suitable person to perform, for the time being, or for the trial of such accused person, the duties of such district attorney, and the person so appointed shall have all the powers of the district attorney while so acting. Such court may, in the same manner, and in their discretion, appoint counsel to assist district attorneys in the prosecution of persons charged with crime punishable by imprisonment in the state prison, and in cases of prosecutions before a grand jury, and upon indictments found by grand juries. Such counsel shall be paid not exceeding fifteen dollars per day in the manner provided by law for the payment of counsel for indigent criminals. When there shall be an unusual amount of civil litigation to which the county is a party or in which it is interested, the circuit court may, on the application of the county board, by order filed with the clerk of said county, appoint an attorney or attorneys to assist the district attorney, and fix his or their compensation.

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

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