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CHAPTER 331.

AN ACT to provide for the discharge and satisfaction of ancient mortgages held by the state of Wisconsin.

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

Certain mortgages held by state to be released. SECTION 1. In any case where the records of the offices of the state treasurer and secretary of state fail to show any payments made upon any mortgage of real estate to the state or territory of Wisconsin since January 1st, 1865, it shall be the duty of the state treasurer, on demand, to execute, acknowledge and deliver to the owner of all or any portion of the land conveyed by any such mortgage a satisfaction in due form of law acknowledging the satisfaction and discharge of such mortgage, and such satisfaction when so executed shall be conclusive evidence of the payment and discharge of such mortgage and the satisfaction of the lien thereby secured.

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

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CHAPTER 332.

AN ACT to amend section 10 of chapter 439 of the laws of 1901, relating to state aid for graded schools and making an appropriation therefor.

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

Amount of aid for two classes of graded schools; apportionment. SECTION 1. Section 10 of chapter 439 of the laws of

1901 is hereby amended by striking out the word "sixty" in the 28th line and inserting in lieu thereof the word "eighty," so that, when amended, it shall read as follows: Section 10. Any school district which shall have maintained a graded school of the first class in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be entitled to receive from the general fund of the state, annually, the sum of three hundred dollars. Any school district which shall have maintained a graded school of the second class in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be entitled to receive from the general fund of the state, annually, the sum of one hundred dollars. To obtain such state aid the school board shall, on or before the first day of August of each year succeeding the school year in which application is made, report to the state superintendent, under their oaths, that such state graded school has complied with all the provisions of this act. Thereupon, the said state superintendent shall fix the amount to be paid such district, and certify the same to the secretary of state; the secretary of state shall then draw his warrants upon the state treasurer for the several claims of the school districts. The secretary of state shall annually include and apportion in the state tax such sum as shall have been certified by the state superintendent under the provisions of this act. Upon receipt of the annual state taxes said state treasurer shall pay to the school district treasurers the several amounts called for by such warrants. The state superintendent is hereby empowered to refuse state aid to any school district which in his judgment has failed to comply with the provisions of this act. The whole amount annually paid under the provisions of this act shall not exceed *eighty* thousand dollars, and if more be demanded by the state graded schools, it shall be paid proportionally. Any unexpended balance shall revert to the general fund.

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

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