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CHAPTER 251.

AN ACT to create section 925—239d of the statutes, relating to the issuing of bonds for the construction of sewers, and providing for the payment of said bonds by the sewer district in which any sewer is to be constructed.

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

SECTION 1. There is created a new section to the statutes to read:

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CHAPTER 252.

AN ACT to legalize all acts, contracts and agreements entered into by the town of Clyde in Iowa county, the county of Iowa, the village of Lone Rock in Richland county, and Richland county, relating to the purchase and maintenance of a free wagon bridge as provided in chapter 327, laws of 1905.

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

Legalization of contracts and elections. SECTION 1. All acts, contracts and agreements heretofore made and entered into by and between the town of Clyde in Iowa county, the county of Iowa, the village of Lone Rock in Richland county and the county of Richland relating to the purchase and maintenance of a free wagon bridge over and across the Wisconsin

penses of putting in such lateral sewers or drains and water and gas service pipes in front of each lot or parcel of land, whether the work be done by contract or otherwise, and report the same to the comptroller or city clerk who shall annually prepare a statement of the expense so incurred in front of each lot or parcel of land, and report the same to the city clerk, and the amount therein charged to each lot or parcel of land shall be by such clerk entered in the tax roll as a special tax against said lot or parcel of land, and the same shall be collected in all respects like other city taxes upon real estate; provided, that no street shall be paved, or repaved by order of the council unless the water and gas mains and service pipes and necessary sewers and their connections shall, as required by the council, be first laid and constructed in that portion of such street so to be paved or repaved.

(Ch. 220, 1907.)

Registered sewer bonds optional. SECTION 925—235.

* * * 1. *The council shall then have the power to issue such bonds for an amount sufficient to cover all special assessments which the parties do not elect to pay in accordance with such notice. Said bonds may be annual or semi-annual interest coupon bonds, or registered bonds without interest coupons, as the council may direct. The total issue in each case, shall be payable in annual installments for a period not exceeding ten years from the date of issue, and shall draw interest not exceeding six per cent. per annum, interest payable annually, or semi-annually, as the common council may direct.*

2. * * * *Such bonds shall specify on their face that they are sewerage bonds, and shall contain such recitals as may be necessary to show that they are chargeable only to particular property, specifying the same, and the number and amount of said bonds, and such other provisions as the council may think proper to be inserted; they shall be signed by the mayor and clerk and sealed with the corporate seal of the city. Such sewer improvement bonds shall in no event be a general city liability.*

(Ch. 170, 1907.)

Separate sewer district bonds permissible. SECTION 925—239d. Any city which is or may hereafter be divided into separate sewer districts may issue bonds for the construction of sewers in any sewer district and for the payment of the principal and interest of such bonds, may levy an annual tax

against the property of such sewer district only, if the common council shall so determine.

Vote on bonds by district only. (a) Such bonds may be issued by the common council the same in all respects as if said bonds were made a general city liability, except that no election of the voters of the entire city shall in any case be held to authorize the issue of said bonds, but if within thirty days after the passage, by the common council of the city of the ordinance authorizing the issue of bonds for such purpose and levying a tax against the property of such sewer district only, there shall be filed in the office of the city clerk a petition in writing signed by not less than ten per cent. in number of the voters in said district who voted therein at the last general state election, asking for the submission of the question of issuing such bonds to a vote of the people, then such question shall be submitted as provided in section 943, excepting that such election shall be held in the one sewer district only.

District valuation added. (b) The ordinance providing for the issue of such bonds shall recite the assessed valuation of the sewer district in addition to reciting the valuation of the entire city.

(Ch. 251, 1907.)

Cities, 2nd, 3rd, 4th class: sewer or drainage districts. SECTION 925—270. The common council of any city of the second, third or fourth class, whether existing under the general charter law or special charter, may, by ordinance divide such city into surface or storm water sewer or drainage districts.

(Ch. 673, 1907.)

Drainage improvements at expense of owners; benefits and damages. SECTION 925—271. Whenever the common council of any such city shall deem it expedient or necessary for the public health or for other reasons to cause to be constructed surface or storm water sewers or drains in any portion of such city and at the expense of the property benefited they shall make an order that the board of public works or if there be no such board, the officer or officers designated to discharge its duties, to prepare and report plans and specifications for the improvement proposed to be made and the entire costs of the contemplated improvement; to view the premises affected