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## CHAPTER 655.

AN ACT to create sections 1809l to 1809o, inclusive, of the statutes relating to the number of hours of continuous service of railroad employes.

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

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes four new sections to read:

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after March 4, 1908.

Approved July 16, 1907.

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## CHAPTER 656.

AN ACT to amend section 1220 of the statutes, as amended, relating to fees of life insurance companies.

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

Section 1. Section 1220 of the statutes is amended to read:

SECTION 2. Chapter 455, laws of 1905, is repealed. Approved July 16, 1907.

(In effect from and after date of publication.)

in a weekly newspaper published in such county for the length of time hereinbefore named prior to the date of his notice, when by reason of accident or other cause more than one week has intervened between the dates of the actual issue of such newspaper to subscribers, if such delay at any one time shall not have exceeded three days; but every such newspaper, for the purpose of this section shall be deemed to have been regularly published once in each week as hereinbefore provided.

(Ch. 502, 1907.)

Land redemption notices; printer's compensation. Sec-TION 1174. The printer who shall publish the list and notice of the time when the redemption of land sold for the non-payment of taxes will expire shall receive for all the insertions not to exceed \* \* \* twenty cents for each lot or tract of land in such list not exceeding one thousand, and ten cents for each lot or tract of land in such list exceeding one thousand, except that when the same is published under contract, as provided by law, he shall receive the compensation fixed by such contract and no more. The compensation paid for such publication shall in all cases be apportioned equally upon the several parcels of land advertised; and when such list and notice shall also be published in a newspaper published in any other than the English language in pursuance of an order made by the county board in accordance with the provisions of section 675, the compensation paid for such publication shall also be apportioned upon the several tracts of land advertised.

(Ch. 502, 1907.)

Tax deed void when original owner continues to pay taxes. [Addition to Section 1187.] "And provided that whenever the original owner, or any one claiming under him, of lands which have been conveyed by deed for the non-payment of taxes, shall continue to pay the taxes upon such lands, and shall pay the taxes assessed against said lands continuously for five years next after the execution of such tax deed, without actual notice of the existence of such tax deed, said tax deed shall be void and of no effect."

(Ch. 607, 1907.)

Life insurance companies to pay annual license. Section 1220. Every company, corporation or association transact-

ing the business of life insurance within this state, excepting only such fraternal societies as have lodge organizations and insure the lives of their own members, and no others, shall, on or before the first day of March, in each year, pay into the state treasury as an annual license fee for transacting such business, the amounts following:

Domestic companies, 3 per cent. of gross income. (1) If such company, corporation or association is organized under the laws of this state, and is not purely an assessment or stipulated premium plan company under chapter 270, laws of 1899 (sec. 1955—1), three per centum of its gross income from all sources for the year ending December 31st, next prior to said first day of March excepting therefrom income from rents of real estate upon which said company, corporation or association has paid the taxes assessed thereon, and excepting also premiums collected outside of the state of Wisconsin on policies held by non-residents of the state of Wisconsin. In ascertaining the income upon which such license fee shall be computed as aforesaid, no deduction shall be made from premiums, whether paid in cash or premium notes, on account of dividends allowed or paid to the insured.

Foreign companies, \$300. (2) If any such company, corporation or association is organized without the state of Wisconsin, and is not purely an assessment company, it shall pay into the state treasury, as such annual license fee, the sum of three hundred dollars, except that whenever the similar taxes and fees imposed upon a company of another state under section 1221, [\* \* \*] shall exceed three hundred dollars, the amount of the annual license fee shall be deducted.

(Ch. 656, 1907.)

Town with less than 500 people: highway tax maximum, \$2,000. [Section 1240.] 2. The residue of the highway taxes, to an amount of not less than one nor more than seven mills on the dollar, shall be assessed on the valuation of the real and personal property in each town or superintendent district; provided, that in addition to such amount there may be assessed any additional amount which shall have been authorized by the last preceding annual town meeting, not exceeding fifteen mills on the dollar of such valuation; provided further, that no town containing less than five hundred inhabitants shall levy or col-