

No. 218, S.]

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CHAPTER 89.

AN ACT to create subsection 41 of section 1038 of the statutes, relating to the exemption of certain soldiers' memorial halls from taxation.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new subsection to read: 41. All memorial halls owned by the Grand Army of the Republic, or Soldiers' Memorial Associations, duly incorporated under the laws of this state without capital stock and actually occupied by a post of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Women's Relief Corps, or a Camp of the Sons of Veterans, which now contain, or shall hereafter have placed therein, memorial tablets in permanent form of marble, brass, bronze, or other suitable material, on which are inscribed all the known names of the enlisted men of a given town, city or county, who died in the service during the civil war, shall be exempt from taxation, and the renting of such halls shall not cause them to be taxed, provided the income from such rentals shall be devoted exclusively to the maintenance of such halls.

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

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CHAPTER 90.

AN ACT to amend subsection 5 of section 1863a of the statutes, relating to condemnation proceedings by street and electric railway companies.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection 5 of section *1863a of the statutes is amended to read: (Section 1863a.) 5. All provisions of these statutes relating to the exercise of eminent domain by railroad companies shall apply to street and electric railway corporations, but nothing herein shall apply to any park or boulevard in any city or village, nor to any street, alley, bridge or viaduct therein, unless the use of such park, boulevard, street alley, bridge or viaduct shall first be granted. *upon such terms and conditions as*

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the proper authorities shall determine, to such street or electric railway company by a franchise duly passed by the board of trustees or common council of such village or city; and nothing herein shall apply to the right of any park, boulevard, street, alley, bridge or viaduct within its limits. As far as applicable * * * the provisions of sections 1810, 1811, 1812, 1813, and 1814 of the statutes, relating to the construction and maintenance of fences and cattle guards by railroad companies, shall apply to street and electric railways.

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

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CHAPTER 91. *

AN ACT to amend sections 1299j and 1299k of the statutes, relating to streets and alleys in cities and villages and to provide a statute of limitations in respect thereto.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 1299j and 1299k of the statutes are amended to read: Section 1299j. Any and every street, highway and alley, *pier and slip*, heretofore or hereafter dedicated or attempted and intended to be dedicated in any plat *by any person*, or laid out, altered, changed, vacated or discontinued, or attempted or intended to be laid out, altered, changed, vacated or discontinued by the authorities of any *county, town, city or village* in this state, shall be taken and held to have been lawfully so dedicated, laid out, altered, changed, vacated or discontinued, as the case may be, from and after the expiration of five years from the date of the deed, instrument, plat, order, resolution or other final proceeding had or taken to effectuate such purpose.

Section 1299k. No defect, irregularity, omission or informality in the execution of any plat or deed of dedication or in any proceedings, order or resolution on the part of the authorities of any *county, town, city or village*, whether formal or jurisdictional, for the purposes aforesaid, heretofore made or taken or hereafter to be made or taken, shall affect or invalidate such plat, deed, order or resolution or proceeding, after the expiration of five years from the date of such plat, deed, proceeding, order or resolution; provided however, that the street or