

the rates of toll established by them not exceeding the rates allowed by this act.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 178.

AN ACT to create section 1786d—1 of the statutes, relating to the licensing of children's home finding societies and the placing of children in homes, and providing a penalty therefor.

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 section to read: Section 1786d—1. 1. All home finding corporations existing under and by virtue of chapter 86 of the statutes shall be licensed annually as hereinafter required.

2. No individual not being a parent or legal guardian of the child and no agency, association or corporation, until made or appointed legal guardian in due form and duly authorized by annual license, as hereinafter provided, to place children in homes, shall so place any child under fifteen years of age, or give them away by adoption, or place them in families with or without contract during their minority; provided, that nothing in this section shall prevent a duly licensed agency, association or corporation from temporarily placing a child, over ten years of age, in a home upon the request of its legal guardian.

3. Upon satisfactory proof made to said board that the applicant therefor is in all respects qualified to engage in the work of finding homes for children, giving them away by adoption, or placing them in families with or without contract during their minority, and upon payment of an annual license fee of five dollars to the state board of control, said license shall be issued by said board and bear date the first Tuesday of June in each year, but shall not be transferable and may be revoked at any time upon thirty days' notice to the holder thereof, an opportunity for hearing having been given, when in the opinion of said board the holder thereof is not in all respects qualified to engage in the work of finding homes for children, giving them away by adoption or placing them in families with or without contract during their minority.

4. Any person or persons, agency, association or corporation found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail or house of correction not more than one year, and said term of imprisonment in case of a corporation, may be imposed upon the officers of said corporation, who are responsible for said violation.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 18.)

5. All acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

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

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CHAPTER 179.

AN ACT to amend section 452a of the statutes, relating to the counter signature of high school diplomas by county superintendents.

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

SECTION 1. Section 452a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 452a. The free high school board shall make out and deliver to each graduate of the high school at the time of graduation, a certificate of his standing in the branches pursued by him in such school; and if such graduate of a high school, having a four years' course, receive a first grade certificate from any county superintendent, and furnish to him or to any other county superintendent, * * * satisfactory proof of having taught successfully at least one school year, under such first grade certificate, such county superintendent may countersign his certificate of graduation or diploma at any time before the expiration of the first grade certificate, and affix the date of such signature thereto. The diploma so countersigned shall have for the period of five years thereafter, the force and effect of a first grade certificate. It shall be lawful for more than one county superintendent to countersign the diploma, but no counter-signature shall have the effect of extending the diploma as a first grade certificate, beyond the expiration of the five years immediately following the date of its first counter-signature.