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CHAPTER 483.

AN ACT to amend section 1801 of the statutes, relating to maintaining a station at every village, whether incorporated or not, having a post office and containing two hundred inhabitants or more.

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

Section 1. Section 1801 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 1801. Every corporation operating a railroad shall maintain a station at every village, whether incorporated or not, having a post office and containing two hundred inhabitants or more, through or within one-eighth of a mile of which its line or road runs, and shall provide the necessary arrangements, receive and discharge freight and passengers, and shall stop at least one passenger train each day each way at such station, if trains are run on such road to that extent; and, if four or more passenger trains are run each way daily, at least two passenger trains each day each way shall be stopped at each and every such station. Every such corporation neglecting or refusing fully to comply with this section, after demand therefor by any resident of such village, shall forfeit not less than twenty-five nor more than fifty dollars for each and every day such neglect or refusal shall continue, one-half to the use of the person prosecuting therefor.

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

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CHAPTER 484.

AN ACT to amend section 128, and to create section 1966y of the statutes, relating to the commissioner of insurance.

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

Section 1. Section 128 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 128. The * * state officers named in the constitution excepting the state superintendent, * * * shall be chosen at the general election in the year * * 1912 and biennially thereafter; and the regular term of office of said state officers when elected for a full term shall commence on the first Monday in January next succeeding their election * * *.

- Section 2. There is added to the statutes a new section to read: Section 1966y. 1. The governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, shall appoint a commissioner of insurance forthwith upon the taking effect of this act, and every four years thereafter. Such commissioner shall hold office for four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified. Any vacancy shall be filled by the governor for the unexpired term, subject to confirmation by the senate, but such appointment shall be in force until acted upon by the senate.
- 2. The person so appointed as such commissioner shall be known to possess a knowledge of the subject of insurance, and skill in matters pertaining thereto. No person appointed as such commissioner shall hold any other office under the laws of this or of any other state or of the United States. Such commissioner shall devote his entire time to the duties of the office, and shall not hold any position of trust or profit, engage in any occupation or business interfering with or inconsistent with his duties, or serve on or under any political committee or as manager of any political campaign for any candidate or party.
- 3. All duties, rights, privileges, powers, compensation, and liabilities, now by law granted to or imposed upon the commissioner of insurance, are merged in and extended to the office of commissioner of insurance, hereby created, so that the office hereby created shall in all respects succeed to and stand in lieu of the former office of commissioner of insurance, which is abolished from and after the taking effect of the first appointment under this act.

(Am. 1911, ch. (64, s. 98.)

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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