scrance specified in the contract, according to assumptions for mortality and interest recognized by the laws of this state and adopted by the society, shall be filed by the society with each annual report and also be furnished to each member before July 1st of each year.

(7) In lieu of the aforesaid statement there may be furnished to each member within the same time a statement giving the eredit for such member and giving the tabular reserve and level rate required for a transfer carrying out the plan of insurance specified in the contract. No table or statement need be made or furnished where the reserves are maintained on the tabular basis.

(8) For this purpose individual bookkeeping accounts for each member shall not be required and all calculations may be made by actuarial methods.

(9) Nothing herein contained shall (a) prevent the maintenance of such surplus over and above the credits on the accumulation basis and the reserves on the tabular basis as the society may provide by or pursuant to its laws; (b) nor be construed as giving to the individual member any right or claim to any such reserve or credit other than in manner as expressed in the contract and its laws; (c) nor as making any such reserve or credits a liability in determining the legal solvency of the society.

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

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## CHAPTER 252.

AN ACT to amend section 925—171 of the statutes, relating to appeal from an award of damages for the taking of private property for public use.

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

SECTION 1. Section 925—171 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 925—171. 1. Any party aggrieved by any assessment of benefits or damages or both may appeal to the circuit court therefrom within the time, in the manner and upon the security prescribed on appeals from assessments of benefits and damages on account of public improvements, and like proceedings shall be had thereon. Such appeal shall not affect any special tax levied on account of an excess of benefits over damages, but the amount recovered by the appellant properly applicable in reduction of such assessment and the costs, if any, shall be paid out of the proper fund; also the amount recovered by way of increasing any damages assessed or for damages when none have been assessed, with the costs, if any.

2. Whenever any person, firm or corporation appeals to any court in this state having jurisdiction of the appeal from the award of damages for the taking of property for the public use and upon the trial of said appeal such person, firm or corporation is awarded by the verdict of the jury an amount of damages less than that awarded by said city, the amount of damages awarded by the verdict of said jury shall be the amount of damages that said party shall receive as full compensation.

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

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## CHAPTER 253.

AN ACT to create section 959—81m of the statutes, to authorize cities and villages to make appropriations for the observance of the national independence day.

## 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 959-81m. Each city or village in this state, however incorporated, is hereby authorized to appropriate and expend annually a sum not to exceed five thousand dollars, for the purpose of observing and celebrating the national independence day on the fourth of July. Said sum may be expended for such purposes, in such manner and through such city or village offieers or such committee or committees of citizens as the common council of the city or village trustees shall direct. The provisions of law relating to the letting of contracts by any such city or village shall not apply to any contracts let or purchases made under authority of this section, but said sum may be expended without the intervention of formal contracts. When the fourth of July falls upon a Sunday, then such celebration and the observance may be had either on the day preceding or the day succeeding.

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

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