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## CHAPTER 262.

AN ACT authorizing cities of the first, second and third classes to appropriate public money to aid in defraying the expenses of public exercises for the celebration of the centenary of Commodore Perry's victory over the British fleet in 1813.

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

Section 1. It shall be lawful for the common council of any city of the first, second or third class, at any regular or special meeting thereof, to vote a sum of money not exceeding five thousand dollars, for the purpose of aiding in defraying the expenses of public exercises in the year 1913 for the proper commemoration in any such city of the centenary of Commodore Perry's victory over the British fleet in 1813; which amount shall be appropriated out of the general or contingent fund of any such city and shall be paid to the committee having in charge the celebration in such city; provided, that such committee shall have been duly accredited by the Wisconsin Perry Victory Centennial Commission created under chapter 467 of the laws of Wisconsin for 1911.

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

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## CHAPTER 263.

AN ACT to detach certain territory from the town of Somo in Lincoln county and to create the town of Wilson, to provide for town meetings therein and for a final settlement between the said towns.

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

SECTION 1. All that portion of the present town of Somo in Lincoln county in the state of Wisconsin, described as follows, to wit: Township number thirty-five north, of range number five east, being the eastern township of the present town of Somo in said Lincoln county, is hereby set off and detached from the said town of Somo and duly created and organized as a separate town, to be known and designated as the town of Wilson in said county of Lincoln.

SECTION 2. The said town of Wilson is created and organized with all the rights, powers and privileges conferred upon and

granted to other towns in the state of Wisconsin and shall be subject to all the general laws enacted for town government therein.

SECTION 3. The first town meeting of the town of Wilson shall be held on the first Tuesday of June, 1913, in the residence of Louis Kath, situated on the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section number twenty-four in township number thirty-five north of range number five east.

The qualified electors of said town of Wilson shall, at such town meeting, held as provided for in section 3 of this act, in the manner provided by law, elect town officers for the said town; and for the purpose of such election the qualified electors of the said town of Wilson shall, between the hours of nine and eleven o'clock in the forenoon of said day, choose three of their number to act as inspectors of said election, and such inspectors shall, before entering on their respective duties, severally take the usual oath of office and file the same with their returns; and such inspectors shall respectively canvass and return the votes cast at such election in all respects as provided by law for inspectors at annual town meetings. A clerk or the necessary clerks of said election, shall be appointed by said inspectors or a majority thereof, to assist said inspectors in conducting said town meeting and in canvassing and returning the votes cast at such election.

SECTION 5. When said town meeting shall be held as herein provided and the town officers required by law duly elected, the town of Wilson shall be deemed duly organized and shall possess all the rights, powers, privileges and authority, and shall be subject to all the liabilities of other towns in the state of Wisconsin. After said first town meeting, all annual town meetings shall be held on the day provided by law for the holding of town meetings in other towns of the state of Wisconsin.

Section 6. Notice of said first town meeting shall be given by posting of a copy of this act in at least six public places in said town of Wilson at least ten days prior to the time of holding said first town meeting, by any duly qualified elector of said town, who shall make a proper affidavit of such posting and file the same, on the day of said first town meeting, with the inspectors elected to conduct said first town meeting.

Section 7. The credits and indebtedness, as between the towns of Wilson hereby created and the town of Somo, shall be apportioned according to the provisions of section 672 of the statutes.

SECTION 8. The supervisors of the town of Wilson and the supervisors of the town of Somo shall on the eighteenth day of

June, nineteen hundred and thirteen, meet at the town hall in the town of Somo, for the purpose of making settlement between said two towns, according to the provisions of this act, and at said meeting, or at any subsequent or adjourned meeting held by said town board of supervisors any three of the supervisors shall have full power and authority to send for and have brought before them at such town meeting any persons, books, papers and records, necessarily involved or needed in the settlement between said two towns. The town clerk of the town of Somo shall act as clerk of said meeting and the clerk of the new town of Wilson shall be present and assist as such clerk, and sufficient duplicates or copies of all proceedings had shall be made, in order that each town shall have at least one for the use and information of the town clerk and the town board of supervisors thereof. Each town shall be chargeable with the expenses and for the services of its own officers only, and the bills therefor shall be audited and paid by the respective towns of Wilson and Somo as other bills are by law authorized to be audited and paid.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 264.

AN ACT to amend section 1797m—13 of the statutes, relating to the time of filing of balance sheets of public utilities.

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

Section 1. Section 1797m—13 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 1797m—13. 1. The accounts, except of telephone companies, shall be closed annually on the thirtieth day of June and a balance sheet of that date promptly taken therefrom. On or before the first day of August following, such balance sheet together with such other information as the commission shall prescribe, verified by an officer of the public utility, shall be filed with the commission.

2. The accounts of telephone companies shall be closed on the thirty-first day of December and the balance sheet of said companies shall be of said date, and the same, with other information prescribed by the commission, verified as provided in subsection 1, shall be filed with the commission on or before the first day of February following.