

No. 688, A.]

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CHAPTER 277.

AN ACT to create subsections 3 and 4 of section 1898 of the statutes, relating to mutual insurance companies.

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

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes two new subsections to read: (Section 1898) 3. In a mutual company organized under subsection (9) of section 1897, for the insurance or guarantee of depositors or deposits in banks or trust companies, the maximum single risk may be fixed at such higher amount as specified in the by-laws.

4. Any such company may effect reinsurance in any authorized or unauthorized company, providing that insurance in any unauthorized company shall be reported annually and the same taxes paid upon the premiums as are paid by authorized companies.

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

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CHAPTER 278.

AN ACT to authorize any city to condemn for public park purposes lands within the county in which such city, or any part thereof, is located.

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

SECTION 1. Any city of the first, second, third or fourth class organized under general or special charter is hereby authorized, upon recommendation of its board of park commissioners, or any other officers, board or body, having the control and management of its public parks, to condemn and take, for public park and other public purposes, lands located in the same county in which such city, or any part of such city, is located, in the same manner required by law to enable such city to take and condemn lands for the purpose of laying out streets, alleys, public squares and grounds; provided, that for purposes of this act it shall not be necessary to have any petition of freeholders, but the common council of such city may, by resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the said common council, direct condemnation proceedings to be had for said purposes, and thereafter the proceedings shall be in all respects as

provided by law for the taking of property for public use as a street, alley, public square or ground, without petition.

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

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CHAPTER 279.

AN ACT to amend subsections 2 and 3 of section 925m—308 of the statutes, providing for the election of a vice-mayor, and relating to vote of councils.

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

SECTION 1. Subsections 2 and 3 of section 925m—308 of the statutes are amended to read: (Section 925m—308) 2. The mayor shall be president of the council, and have a vote therein, but shall have no power of veto. *On the first Tuesday in May following the reorganization of any city under this chapter, and biennially thereafter, or whenever there shall be a vacancy in the office, the council shall elect one of its members vice-mayor, who in the absence or disability of the mayor for any cause, shall perform all the duties thereof.*

3. A majority of the members of the council shall constitute a quorum, and a majority vote of the members of the council shall be necessary, *and no more than a majority shall be required, to adopt any ordinance, * * * resolution or motion.*

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

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CHAPTER 280.

AN ACT to create section 4220a of the statutes, relating to the time for the commencement of actions for the recovery of real property or damages thereto.

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 4220a. Whenever any land or any interest therein has been or shall hereafter be taken, entered upon or appropriated for the purpose of its business by any railroad corporation, electric railroad or power company, telephone company or tele-