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**CHAPTER 456.**

AN ACT to create section 670—1 of the statutes, to authorize county boards in counties having a population of 150,000 or more to subdivide the territory within such counties in residential, business and factory districts, and to limit the use of lands within such districts to certain purposes.

Whereas, it is necessary for the health, comfort, convenience and morals of the inhabitants of counties and districts having a large population to set aside certain districts within such counties for business, factory and residential uses and purposes,

*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 670—1. 1. In counties having a population of 150,000 or more the county board is authorized and empowered to subdivide and to set apart certain portions of the territory within said counties to be used exclusively for business, factory or residential purposes, and to limit the use of such lands within such districts to the purposes prescribed, and to adopt and enforce such ordinances, resolutions, orders and regulations by appropriate fines and penalties. The power herein granted shall extend to all territory within the jurisdiction of such county board, including all cities, villages and towns within such county. The enactment of such ordinances shall be deemed a finding and declaration to the effect that such districting will protect, promote and conserve the public health, convenience and morals.

2. The power herein granted may be exercised upon the initiative of the county board or upon the petition of ten or more actual residents of the district to be affected.

3. Ordinances subdividing or setting apart portions of any land within a city of a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or upwards shall be in force and effect when ratified by the common council of such city by resolution or ordinance.

4. Any person sustaining loss or damage in his property by the restrictions and limitations herein authorized, may recover such damage or loss from the county by filing his claim therefor with the county clerk within three months from the passage of such ordinance; proceedings for such recovery shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by law for obtaining payment of damages sustained by any person whose lands are taken for public purposes in laying out state roads.

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