

*common council or village board may create and establish one or more special districts in such city or village for the removal of ashes, garbage and rubbish from residences, residence premises, and such other buildings and premises as may be determined by such common council or village board. It shall be optional with such common council or village board to cause to be removed ashes, garbage or rubbish from the residences, premises or buildings of the owners thereof in such district or districts, or in the entire city or village, or from the residences, premises or buildings of the owners in such district or districts, city or village, who desire such collection and removal. It shall be optional with the common council or village board to charge, assess and tax the cost of such collection and removal to the several owners of such residences, premises or buildings * * * on and from which * * * such ashes, garbage and rubbish have been produced or accumulated, * * * in the same manner as other special taxes are levied and collected, or to provide for such cost by a general tax on all property subject to taxation within the city or village limits in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected, or by a general tax on all property subject to taxation, within the special district or districts, from which such ashes, garbage and rubbish have been collected and removed in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected.*

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 164.

AN ACT to create sections 697y—1 to 697y—5, inclusive, of the statutes, relating to trustees for workhouses, and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes five new sections to read: Section 697y—1. 1. In every county in the state of Wisconsin now having or which may hereafter have within their limits a city of the second class, and in which county, there has been erected and is being maintained a workhouse, the county board of supervisors shall elect by ballot, three persons to act as a board of trustees of said workhouse.

2. Such trustees shall be citizens of the United States, resi-

dents and electors in the county and they shall hold no other lucrative office or position in the county government, nor shall they be eligible to the office of superintendent of the workhouse, during the term for which they have been elected trustees.

Section 697y—2. 1. The county board of any such county shall, before the first day of July, 1915, at a regular or special meeting, elect by ballot said three trustees as follows: One for a term of one year; one for a term of two years and one for a term of three years. All of said terms shall date from the first day of July, 1915. Thereafter, when the term of office of any trustee shall expire, his successor shall be elected by the said county board of supervisors for the term of three years. Any vacancy occurring shall be filled for the unexpired term, by said county board in like manner.

2. Each trustee shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe an oath or affirmation to support the constitution of the United States and of the state of Wisconsin, and faithfully to discharge the duties of his office to the best of his ability. Such oath or affirmation shall be filed at the office of county clerk.

3. The compensation for each trustee shall be fixed by the county board, but in no case shall the aggregate compensation of any trustee exceed one hundred and twenty dollars in any one year, excepting that he may be allowed not more than twenty-five dollars in any one year in addition to the above for actual and necessary traveling expenses.

Section 697y—3. 1. Any trustee may be removed from office for misconduct or neglect by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the county board of supervisors, but before removal, he shall have notice in writing of the charges preferred against him, and be given an opportunity to be heard. Such trustees shall in no wise, or in any manner, be pecuniarily interested either directly or indirectly in any contract or agreement with said board of trustees for the purchase of anything or any article whatsoever required for said workhouse. All contracts or agreements by said board in violation of the foregoing prohibition shall be void.

2. Any trustee who shall violate the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars or by imprisonment in the workhouse for not less than six months or in the state prison for not more than two years, in addition to removal from office.

Section 697y—4. Such trustees when elected and qualified shall organize by the election of a president. The superintendent of the workhouse shall be, *ex officio*, secretary of the board.

Section 697y—5. 1. The board of trustees when appointed and qualified shall have the same power in all matters relating to the care and management of said workhouse as is now vested in the county board, and the general laws for the care of workhouses and management of same shall apply, except as otherwise provided in sections 697y—1 to 697y—5, inclusive, of the statutes.

2. The board of trustees shall appoint annually in the month of September, a superintendent of the workhouse for the term of one year, commencing on the succeeding first day of January.

3. Upon the first day of October of each year or within thirty days thereafter, the board of trustees shall file a report with the county clerk. Such report shall include an itemized statement of all receipts and disbursements for the year past together with an estimate of the amount required for the ensuing year, and a general statement of the work done and contemplated. The county clerk shall lay such report and estimate before the county board at its annual meeting. The county board shall include in the annual tax levy such sum as may seem necessary for the care and maintenance of the workhouse.

4. The said board of trustees shall audit all accounts against said workhouse or against said board of trustees, when presented to them and verified under oath by the claimant or his agent, and shall then send such bills or accounts, their correctness and allowance certified to by the president and secretary, to the county clerk, who shall thereupon issue orders upon the county treasurer for the payment of the same.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 165.

AN ACT to create section 926—11m of the statutes, relating to the use of lands purchased by cities.

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 926—11m. Whenever any city authorized to issue bonds under the provisions of section 926—11 of the statutes