from not less than five cities or villages in the state, and having previously held at least five annual tournaments, a sum equal to eighty per cent of the amount disbursed by said association for prizes and premiums in all competitions and contests held by such association during the twelve months ending on such first day of • • July, said sum to be charged to the appropriation for the state firemen's association of Wisconsin.

Section 2. The statement of all moneys disbursed by any firemen's association in Wisconsin, filed on or before the first day of August, 1916, shall cover the period from September 1, 1914 to July 1, 1916 and the money paid to any such association on or before September 1, 1916 shall be the sum due such association for the period covered in such statement as determined by the provisions of section 1979m of the statutes.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 587.

AN ACT to amend section 129 of the statutes, relating to executive counsel and advice and abolishing the position of state claim agent.

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

Section 1. Section 129 of the statutes is amended to read: The governor shall have an office in the capitol and shall have power to appoint a private secretary, who shall hold his office during the pleasure of the governor, and for the purpose of authentication shall be deemed a custodian of all deeds, patents, records, papers and documents lawfully deposited in the executive office. All patents, statements or lists of lands, or certified copies thereof, heretofore or hereafter transferred to the executive office pursuant to law shall be a part of the public records therein. He may appoint an executive clerk and fix his compensation, and may appoint an executive counsel to serve during each session of the legislature and for a period of thirty days thereafter at a salary not to exceed three hundred dollars per month, which compensation or salary shall be paid out of the state treasury, and charged to the general appropriation for the executive department.

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

Approved August 18, 1915.