

for budget estimates, and to perform all other duties required by such office.

Section 990—48. The board shall have the power to adopt and publish rules to govern the proceedings, and to regulate the mode and manner of all investigations made by it and under its direction, and of all hearings held before it. *The records of the board including records of time and money spent upon the board's investigation and other work shall be open to public inspection subject only to reasonable regulations.*

SECTION 4. There is added to section 990—56 of the statutes a new subsection to read: (Section 990—56) 8. It shall also investigate duplication of work of public bodies and the efficiency of the organization and administration of such public bodies and shall formulate plans for the greater coördination of such public bodies and the improvement of state administration in general. The board shall report the results of such investigations to the elected members of the legislature not later than December 15, 1916, with specific printed recommendations giving in detail the reasons therefor. *In all reports published or otherwise submitted by the board the conclusions or recommendations shall be accompanied by a summary of the facts upon which the conclusion or findings are based, the names of the members of the board who approved the report and a summary of the investigation pursued to secure the facts. Where the board is not unanimous in its recommendations or findings, a summary of the minority position shall be included with the majority report.*

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 607.

AN ACT to amend subsection 1 of section 10 of chapter 608, laws of 1913, as amended by chapter 328, laws of 1915, relating to sewage disposal works in cities of the first class.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection 1 of section 10 of chapter 608, laws of 1913, as amended by chapter 328, laws of 1915, is amended to read: (Ch. 608, laws of 1913, section 10) 1. Such commission shall report to the common council of such city under this act at or before the first meeting of the council in August in each year until all of the work of the commission shall have been completed, the amount of money required for the next fiscal year for

the projection, planning, construction and establishment of such sewerage system, and it shall be the duty of the said common council to levy and collect a tax upon all property subject to taxation in said city at the same time and in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected by law, which shall be equal to the amount of money so required by the said commission as provided in this act; provided, that the tax so levied upon each dollar of the assessed valuation of all property, real and personal, in said city subject to taxation shall not in any one year exceed one mill and said taxes for the purpose named in this section shall be in addition to the tax to be levied for general city purposes in any such city upon all the taxable property therein.

In addition to such tax, the common council at the request of such commission may from time to time authorize the issuance of bonds in the manner provided by law in such sums as it may deem necessary, not to exceed in any one year the maximum amount of two million dollars, but the provisions of section 943 of the statutes shall not be applicable to such bonds, but the same shall be authorized without the question of issuing same being submitted to a vote of the people unless within thirty days after the passage by the common council of the city of the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the bonds for such purposes there shall be filed in the office of the city clerk a petition in writing signed by not less than fifteen per cent in number of the voters who voted in said city at the last general state election asking for the submission of the question of issuing such bonds to the vote of the people, in which case such question shall be submitted as provided in section 943, and such tax and such bond issues shall not be used or appropriated directly for any other purpose than the payment of the salaries and wages of the commission and its appointees and employes as the commission may deem necessary, all necessary and current expenses of the commission and the other purposes specified in this act. *If prior to the levy of general taxes in any year the common council of any such city has provided for the issuance of bonds for such purposes for an amount equal to what such one mill tax would realize, or any part thereof, and thirty days have elapsed after the passage by the common council of such city of the ordinance authorizing the issuance of bonds for such purposes, and no petition has been filed for the submission of such question to a vote of the people, then the common council of such city need not provide for the levy of a tax for the amount so otherwise provided for. The provisions of chapter 327 of the laws of 1915 shall not be applic-*

able to any bonds authorized to be issued in lieu of such tax levy. After any bonds have been authorized by the common council of any such city to provide the money required to pay for the projection, planning, construction and establishment of such sewerage system, it shall be the duty of the common council of such city to provide from time to time for the sale of such bonds as may be from time to time requested by the sewerage commission of such city. After any such bonds have been so authorized by the common council, and prior to the sale thereof, the sewerage commission of such city may enter into contracts as against the same, in all respects the same as if the proceeds thereof were already in the hands of the treasurer of such city.

SECTION 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

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

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CHAPTER 608.

AN ACT to create subsection 3 of section 1797—12e of the statutes, relating to the restoration of sidetracks upon the change in grade of a railroad and the payment therefor.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to section 1797—12e of the statutes a new subsection to read: (Section 1797—12e.) 3. Whenever the commission shall have ordered or shall hereafter order a separation of the grade of a railway from the grade of a street or highway in any city, it may, if safe and practicable, and if a necessity exists therefor, order the alteration, restoration and connection of any track serving an industry or industries. Demand for such restoration shall be in writing and filed with the commission within ninety days after the date of the order for the separation of grades or the taking effect of this act, and any such track for which no such demand shall have been made shall be deemed abandoned. If the commission shall order the alteration, restoration and connection of any such track, it shall by its order apportion the cost thereof between the person or persons owning the industry or industries served by such track, the railway company, and the municipality in which said track is located, when in the opinion of the commission such municipality is benefited, or any of them in such