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CHAPTER 142

AN ACT to create section 904n of the statutes, relating to the regulation and planting of shade trees in villages in counties having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more, and providing for the apportionment of the cost thereof.

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

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: Section 904n. The village board of any village in any county having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more may direct, regulate and require the planting and preserving of shade trees and shrubs, and the caring for the same in and along the public streets and on the public grounds of said village. It may also order shade trees to be set out and cared for along any street or portion thereof at the cost of the property fronting on such street; notice requiring said work to be done shall first be given, and upon the refusal of such owner to do such work, the village board may then cause the same to be done as herein provided, and may levy a tax for the whole or any part of the cost thereof upon the respective pieces of property adjoining said portion of said street, and every tax shall be entered by the clerk and collected, in the manner prescribed in paragraphs 2 and 3 of section 910 of the statutes.

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

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CHAPTER 143

AN ACT to amend section 462 of the statutes, relating to the time of taking and making the annual report of school district clerks and fixing the compensation of such school officers, and to amend paragraph (18) of section 430.

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

SECTION 1. Section 462 and paragraph (18) of section 430 are amended to read: (Section 430) (18) At the annual meeting only, to vote a tax to compensate the treasurer and director, which in districts supporting graded * * * or high schools shall be such sums as may be voted, and in other districts *maintaining only one school* not more than ten nor less

than five dollars to each of the above officers, *and in districts maintaining more than one school in separate buildings five dollars for each separate additional school maintained in a separate building, provided the buildings are at least a mile and a half apart, the distance to be measured by the nearest traveled highway.*

Section 462. It shall be the duty of the district clerk, between the tenth and twenty-fifth days of July in each year, to make and transmit to the county or city superintendent, a written report bearing date as of the thirtieth day of June, of such year, signed by him and verified by his affidavit, showing:

First. The number, names and ages of children, male and female designated separately, over the age of four and under the age of twenty years residing in the district, and the names of their parents, guardians or other persons with whom such children resided, respectively, on the last day of June preceding. But no such children residing in, held or cared for at any charitable or penal institution of this state shall be included in such enumeration or report; and whenever the state superintendent shall receive information that any such children have been enumerated in the school census of any school district included in the reports made to him, on the basis of which apportionment of money from the school fund income is made, he may require from the district clerk or the secretary of the board of education of said district a verified statement of the whole number of children of school age residing in the district not excluded by the provisions of this section, in such form and manner as the said superintendent may prescribe. Unless the certificate herein provided for shall be made no money shall be apportioned for the benefit of said school district.

Second. The whole number of children, males and females designated separately, between the ages of four and twenty years taught in the district school during the year for which such report is made by teachers duly qualified.

Third. The number attending school during the year under the age of four and the number over the age of twenty years.

Fourth. The whole time, in days, any common school has been taught in the district, including holidays, and the whole number of days such school has been taught by teachers qualified according to law, including holidays, and the days the teachers may have attended an institute during the year while the school was in session for which no deduction in wages was made by the district board.

Fifth. The names of all teachers employed during the year, the number of days taught by each, including holidays, and

the monthly wages paid to each, and the time allowed any teacher for attendance on any institute for which no wages were deducted.

Sixth. The amount of money received from the town treasurer during the year, designating separately the amount received from apportionment of the school fund income, the amount received from tax levied by county board of supervisors, the amount received from tax voted by the district, and the amount received from all other sources during the year, and the manner in which the same has been expended, showing separately the expenditure of school money received from the state.

Seventh. Such other facts and statistics in relation to the schools, public or private, in such district as the state superintendent may from time to time require. The clerk of each joint district shall report to the county or city superintendent, as the case may be, the number of children residing in each part of the several towns, villages or cities embraced in such joint districts. He shall also report the amount of the indebtedness of the district. Upon filing with the county superintendent within the time set by law, a complete and satisfactory annual report setting forth all the facts required by law to be reported to the county or city superintendent, and such other information as may be called for by either the county or city superintendent, the school district clerk in a school district maintaining one or more schools in one or more separate school buildings and not containing an incorporated village or city, and having a school census of one hundred persons or less shall be paid from any moneys in the general fund of the school district treasury of which he is the clerk, the sum of ten dollars for each one-room school maintained by the district; provided, that such schools are more than a mile and a half apart, the distance to be measured by the nearest traveled highway. In a school district maintaining one or more separate schools in separate buildings and not containing an incorporated village or city and having a school census of more than one hundred persons and * * * *not more* than two hundred persons, twenty dollars for the first school and an additional ten dollars for each separate school maintained in a separate building by the district, provided, that such schools are more than a mile and a half apart, the distance to be measured by the nearest traveled highway. In a school district maintaining one or more separate schools in separate buildings and not containing an incorporated village or city and having a school census of more than two hundred persons and * * * *not more* than three hundred persons, thirty dollars for the first school and an additional ten dollars

for each separate school maintained in a separate building by the district; provided, that such schools are more than a mile and a half apart, the distance to be measured by the nearest traveled highway; and in school districts having a school census of more than three hundred persons of school age, or containing an incorporated village or city, *or maintaining a high school or graded school, or in districts maintaining town or union high schools*, such sum as the body electing the school board of such school district may direct; provided, such school clerk shall file with the district treasurer a certificate signed by the county or city superintendent of schools setting forth that the school census for the year was properly taken, and that all reports required by law to be made by school district clerks have been filed *on and within the time specified by law* and approved.

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

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CHAPTER 144

AN ACT to amend sections 1, 7 and 8 of chapter 119, laws of 1899 and section 10 of chapter 119, laws of 1899 as amended by chapter 281, laws of 1911, relating to the jurisdiction of and fees in the county court of St. Croix county and to the salary and duties of the reporter of said county.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 1, 7 and 8 of chapter 119, laws of 1899, and section 10 of chapter 119, laws of 1899 as amended by chapter 281, laws of 1911 are amended to read: (Ch. 119, laws of 1899) 1. The county court of St. Croix county, in addition to the powers and jurisdiction conferred by law on county courts, shall have cognizance of and jurisdiction to hear, try and determine all actions and proceedings at law, except actions wherein the title to real property shall come in question, wherein the amount of debt, damages, demand, penalty or forfeiture shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars; actions founded on an account when the same shall be reduced to an amount not exceeding five hundred dollars by credits given or by the set-off or demand of the opposite party; actions to recover the possession of personal property, with damages for the unlawful taking or detention thereof, wherein the value of the property claimed shall not exceed the sum of five hundred dollars and all charges for offenses arising within said county,