years or more; and also for the pensioning of disabled and superannuated members of said department and the widows and orphans of the deceased members thereof.

2. Such pension shall in no case exceed the sum of one-half the salary of such officer, when so pensioned.

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

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CHAPTER 221

AN ACT to create section 2305m of the statutes, relating to contracts with any real estate agent.

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 2305m. Every contract to pay a commission to a real estate agent or broker or to any other person for selling or buying real estate shall be void unless such contract or some note or memorandum thereof describing such real estate, expressing the price for which the same may be sold or purchased, the commission to be paid and the period during which the agent or broker shall procure a buyer or seller, be in writing and be subscribed by the person agreeing to pay such commission.

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

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CHAPTER 222

AN ACT to create subdivision (3c) of section 709 of the statutes, providing for the appointment of a deputy county auditor, in counties having a population of more than three hundred thousand.

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

Section 1. A new subdivision is added to section 709 of the statutes to read: (Section 709)—(3e)—In counties having a population of more than three hundred thousand, the county auditor may designate a deputy e'erk, a clerk, or assistant, who shall have been by the county clerk assigned to his department as deputy county auditor to aid him in the discharge of the duties of his office, and who, in the absence of the county auditor,

or in case of a vacancy in said office, or any disability of the county auditor shall perform all the duties of the office of county auditor until such vacancy be filled, or disability be removed. Such deputy county auditor shall give a bond in the same amount, and subject to the same conditions as that given by the county auditor for the faithful performance of his duties. His authority as such deputy county auditor may be revoked at any time by the county auditor who designated him.

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

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CHAPTER 223

AN ACT to amend section 2949 and subsection 1 of section 4275 of the statutes, relating to fees for printing cases and briefs and legal notices.

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

Section 1. Section 2949 and subsection 1 of section 4275 of the statutes are amended to read: Section 2949. In all actions. writs or proceedings in the supreme court, excepting criminal actions, costs shall be in the discretion of the court. In any civil action or proceeding brought to the court by appeal or writ of error, the prevailing party shall recover costs unless the court shall otherwise order, and such costs, unless fixed at a lower sum by the court, shall be as follows: The fees of the clerk of the supreme court, twenty-five dollars attorney's fees, the fees of the clerk below for transmitting and certifying the record, including the sum paid for such copies of the minutes of the phonographic reporter as are necessarily procured for the purpose of completing the record preparatory to an appeal and the sum paid for printing, not exceeding * * one dollar per page for printing cases and briefs, in all not exceeding one hundred and fifty pages.

(Section 4275) 1. The fees for publishing a legal notice, when not otherwise specially prescribed by law, shall be not more than * * screnty-five cents per folio for the first insertion, and * * fifty cents per folio for each insertion after the first.

Section 2. The act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved May 16, 1917.