No. 572, S.]

[Published June 22, 1917.

CHAPTER 452

AN ACT to create subsection 4 of section 1797—12e of the statutes, empowering the railroad commission to establish grades of streets and highways, looking to future grade separation.

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

Section 1. A new subsection is added to section 1797—12e of the statutes to read: (Section 1797-12e) 4. The railroad commission shall have power, upon petition of any town, city or village, or upon its own motion, when in their opinion the interests of the public demand it and it is found practicable so to do, to establish the grade of the tracks of any railroad, or of all the railroads throughout any county containing a city of the first class, or any part thereof, and the grades of the streets or highways, or any of them, where they cross such railroad track or tracks, in anticipation of the future separation of grades of the railroad tracks from the grades of such streets or highways. It shall be the duty of the commission before making any such order to mail notice to the railroad company or companies affected, the owners or occupants of any building abutting on that part of the railroad the grade of which is to be established, all cities of the first class in said county, and if the grades to be established are outside such city of the first class, the towns, cities or villages in which such grades are to he established, of the filing of such petition or that the commission contemplates establishing such grades, and fixing a time at which such cities of the first class and such other towns, cities or villages, and the railroad company or companies affected thereby, and any other person or corporation interested therein may be heard. The grades so established under this act shall be described by reference to a base or datum line to be established by the railroad commission, from which all elevations and the height of all grades shall be measured, and the grades so established shall be such that when brought to the established grade the railroad tracks will cross the streets and highways above or below the same. Such order shall not necessarily require a present change in grade, but the commission may at any time order the railroad track or tracks and the street and highways brought to the grade established or any street or highways closed by said order, in accordance with subsection 1 of this section, and may, at the time of making said order, apportion the cost of separating the grades as provided in subsection 2 hereof.

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

Approved June 18, 1917.

No. 548, S.]

[Published June 22, 1917.

CHAPTER 453

AN ACT to renumber certain sections and certain chapters of the statutes relating to public instruction and to cultural and memorial institutions, to collect scattered sections of the statutes relating to those subjects and arrange them in proper order and in properly designated chapters, and to renumber the references contained in the body of such sections to other sections so as to conform such references to the renumbering of the sections referred to; also to renumber certain chapters of the statutes in order to preserve numerical sequence of chapter numbers and section numbers of both revised and unrevised chapters.

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

Section 1. TITLE VI of Wisconsin Statutes of 1915 is revised to read:

TITLE VI.

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION AND CULTURAL AND MEMORIAL INSTITUTIONS.

CHAP.

- 36. The University of Wisconsin.
- 37. Normal Schools.
- 38. State Board of Education.
- 39. School Administration and Supervision—Teachers.
- 40. Common School District Law.
- 41. Auxiliary or Special Schools.
- 42. Teachers Retirement Fund.
- 43. State Library; Free Library Commission; Local Libraries, and Art Museums.
- 44. State Historical Society; Local Historical Societies; State Records.
- 45. Memorial Hall, Monuments and Memorial Buildings, Veterans' Home.
- Section 2. Chapter 25 of Wisconsin Statutes of 1915, re-