of holding town meetings in such town be submitted to a vote of the electors at any regular town meeting. Every such resolution or petition shall designate and describe with reasonable certainty the place to which the change is desired, which shall be a place within the town or within a city or incorporated village as provided in subsection (1) of this section.

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

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## CHAPTER 473

AN ACT to amend the first clause of section 51.05, the ninth clause of section 51.05, subdivision (b) of subsection 22, and subdivision (d) of subsection 23 of section 51.05 of the statutes, relating to reports of railroads, street railways, telegraph lines, heat, light and power plants and conservation and regulation companies.

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

Section 1. The first clause of Section 51.05 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 51.05. Report of companies. Every company defined by section 51.02 operating in this state either a railroad, a street railway, a telegraph line or lines, a heat, light and power plant, or a conservation and regulation company, as the case may be, shall annually \* \* in each year, under oath of the president, or other chief officer, and the secretary, treasurer, auditor or superintendent of such company, make and file with the commission, at such time and in such form as it may prescribe reports containing the following facts so far as any of them are applicable to the company making such report.

The ninth clause of section 51.05 is amended to read: (9) The market value of the shares of capital stock for the whole system, on the dates and for the period the \* \* commission may request or specify. \* \*

Subsection 22 (b) of said section 51.05 is amended to read: (b) The gross earnings of such street railway company from the operation of its business in each county and in each town, city and village within or through which said company operated for the year \* \* prescribed by the tax commission.

(Subsection 23) (d) is amended to read: (d). The gross receipts from the operation obtained in each county and in each municipality, within or through which any such company oper-

ates from the business of furnishing light, heat, power or other service for \* \* \* such year \* \* as the tax commission may prescribe.

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

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## CHAPTER 474

AN ACT to consolidate and renumber chapter 69m and chapter 146 of the statutes of 1915 relating to water powers and to mills and milldams, and to renumber, amend, revise or repeal the sections thereof together with other sections of the statutes relating to the same subjects.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 69m and chapter 146 of the statutes of 1915 are consolidated, and their numbers and titles are revised to read:

## CHAPTER 31.

## WATER POWERS. AND MILLS AND MILLDAMS.

And said chapter shall contain the sections designated in this act as sections 31.01, 31.02, 31.03, 31.04, 31.05, 31.06, 31.07, 31.08, 31.09, 31.10, 31.11, 31.12, 31.13, 31.14, 31.15, 31.16, 31.17, 31.18, 31.19, 31.20, 31.21, 31.22, 31.23, 31.24, 31.25, 31.26, 31.27, 31.28, 31.29, 31.30, 31.31, 31.32, 31.33.

Section 2. Section 1596—1 of the statutes is renumbered and amended to read:

31.01 DEFINITIONS. \* \* \* Terms used in this chapter \* \* are defined as follows:

- (1) "Commission" \* \* means the railroad commission of Wisconsin. \* \*
- (2) "Navigable waters" \* \* \* means all waters declared navigable \* \* \* by chapter 30 of these statutes.
- (3) "Permit" \* \* means legislative permission granted under section \* \* 31.06 to construct, operate and maintain a dam in or across navigable waters, or under section \* \* 31.08 to \* \* continue the operation and maintenance of any dam so situated which was constructed \* \* before such legislative permits were required.
- (4) "Grantee" • means the person, firm, corporation or municipality to whom a permit is granted, • and all subsequent owners of the grant.