

interest shall be recovered by a plaintiff on any portion of his claim allowed by the council for which a city order is drawn. after the date when such order was available to claimant.

926—181. All such portions of each and every charter of cities incorporated by special act which provides for the taking of appeals to any court from the disallowance by the common council or other authorized auditing board, of any claim or demand of any nature whatsoever presented against the city, are hereby repealed, and civil actions against such cities shall be begun by the service of summons as provided by the general statutes. The disallowance by the common council or other authorized auditing board of any such city of any claim or demand required to be presented for allowance, shall be a bar to the maintenance of any action against the city thereon unless such action be begun within six months after such disallowance but shall not otherwise operate as such bar.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 554

AN ACT to amend section 925—23 of the statutes, relating to officers of cities of the second, third and fourth classes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 925—23 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 925—23. The officers of cities of the second, third and fourth classes shall be a mayor, treasurer, clerk, comptroller, attorney, assessor or one or more assessors, * * * *three* or more justices of the peace, *one or more constables* as the common council may determine by ordinance, a physician, street commissioner, chief of the fire department, a board of public works, a board of school commissioners, one or more policemen, two aldermen and one supervisor from each ward, and such other officers or boards as the common council may deem necessary; provided, that the council, by a two-thirds vote, may dispense with the offices of street commissioner, engineer, comptroller and board of public works, and provide that the duties thereof be performed by other officers or boards, by the council or a committee thereof. *In case the whole number of justices of the peace provided for by this act shall not have*

been elected the mayor of such city may appoint the remaining number of justices who shall hold their offices until the first of May following the next succeeding judicial election.

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

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CHAPTER 555

AN ACT to create section 1057t of the statutes, requiring operators of coal docks to pay an occupation tax on coal handled over such coal docks in lieu of other taxes on such coal.

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 1057t. 1. Every person, copartnership, association, company or corporation, operating a coal dock in this state, other than a dock used solely in connection with an industry and handling no coal except that consumed by such industry, shall on or before December fifteenth of each year pay an annual occupation tax of a sum equal to one and one-half cents per ton upon all bituminous coal, and two cents per ton upon all anthracite coal handled by or over such coal dock, during the preceding year ending April thirtieth; and such coal shall be exempt from all taxation, either state or municipal.

2. Every such person, copartnership, association, company or corporation, operating a coal dock within the state, other than a dock used solely in connection with an industry and handling no coal except that consumed by such industry, shall on May first of each year furnish to the assessor of the town, city or village within which such coal dock is situated, a full and true list or statement of all coal, specifying the respective amounts and different kinds thereof, received in or on, or handled by or over such coal dock during the year immediately preceding May first of such year in which such list or statement is so to be made. Any such operator of a coal dock who shall fail or refuse to furnish such list or statement or who shall knowingly make or furnish a false or incorrect list or statement, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars.

3. The tax herein provided for shall be separately assessed to the person, copartnership, company, association or corporation chargeable therewith by the assessor and shall be included