

or such existing highway may be improved, *which permission said councils and boards are hereby authorized to grant*, may enter such towns, cities, villages, and state land, and may do all other things necessary for the purpose of carrying out the terms and conditions of such bequest or donation.

SECTION 2. A new section is added to the statutes to read: Section 959—131. Any city, of the fourth class, however organized, may appropriate a sum not to exceed one-fourth of one mill on each dollar of the assessed valuation of such city, according to the last preceding assessment therein, for the purpose of aiding any adjoining town, city or village in the construction or improvement of any highway or part thereof in accordance with the terms and conditions of any bequest or donation to such adjoining town, city or village, and any part of such moneys so appropriated may be expended within or without the corporate limits of such city.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 580

AN ACT to create section 579t and subsection 4 of section 20.32 of the statutes, relating to maintenance of classes for exceptional children by school boards in certain cities, and making an appropriation.

*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 and to section 20.32 a new subsection to read: Section 579t. (1) Upon application by the district board of any school district embracing within its limits any village or city, or the board of education of any city, the state superintendent may authorize such school district board or board of education to establish and maintain within the corporate limits of any such village or city, respectively a special class for the instruction of exceptional persons of school age who reside in said school district or city.

2. The courses, qualifications of teachers and plan of organizing and maintaining such special classes shall comply with such requirements as may be outlined by the state superintendent of public instruction.

3. The state superintendent of public instruction shall appoint in his department a person of suitable training and experience who shall have general supervision of such classes and

who shall give special attention to examining, testing and classifying the pupils applying for admission to such special classes and perform such other duties as the state superintendent may direct. Such supervisor shall be exempt from the provisions of sections 16.01 to 16.29, inclusive, of the statutes, and his salary shall be fixed by the state superintendent, provided such salary shall not exceed two thousand dollars per year.

4. The board of education maintaining such special class or classes under the provisions of this section shall, through its secretary or other executive officer, report annually to the state superintendent, or oftener if he so directs, such facts relative to such class or classes as he may require.

5. Upon the receipt of such report, if it shall appear that the special class or classes have been taught by qualified teachers and in every respect maintained in accordance with the requirements governing such special classes, the state superintendent shall certify to the secretary of state, as due each board of education maintaining such special classes, a sum equal to one-third the amount expended for salaries of teachers of such special classes, provided such sum shall not exceed three hundred dollars per year for each of said teachers; provided, further, that in case the average attendance of any such special class shall be less than the minimum attendance required by the regulations governing such classes, the state superintendent may in his discretion apportion a sum which shall bear the same relation to the apportionment hereinbefore provided as the average daily attendance bears to the required minimum attendance. Upon receiving such certificate, the secretary of state shall draw his warrant, payable to the treasurer of the school board maintaining such classes, for the amount specified in such certificate.

(20.32) 4. A sum sufficient to carry out the provisions of this act is appropriated annually out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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

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## CHAPTER 581

AN ACT to create section 572x and a new paragraph of subsection (6) of section 20.17 of the statutes, relating to aid for blind students, and making an appropriation.

*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 and a new