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CHAPTER 18.

AN ACT to amend subsection (1) of section 16.18 and section 772—4 of the statutes, relating to preference to veterans in the civil service.

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

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 16.18 and section 772-4 of the statutes, are amended to read: (16.18) (1) Appointing officers shall give written notice to the commission of the existence of any vacancy in any office or employment in the competitive class, under the provisions of this chapter, and within ten days after the receipt of such notice the commission shall certify from the register of eligibles appropriate for the group in which the position to be filled is classified, the three names at the head thereof, which have not been certified three times to the department or office in which the vacancy exists. Whenever eligibles are certified, they must always be those candidates who have been graded highest in an examination held in pursuance of this chapter. and the rules made in accordance therewith, except that where practicable, other conditions being equal, the rules shall provide for a preference in favor of veterans of any of the wars of the United States. Preference is hereby defined to mean that whenever a question arises as to the certification of two persons of equal qualification as determined by civil service examination and one of these persons is a war veteran, he shall be certified. In every case after a name has been certified three times, it may be dropped from the list by the commission. but certificates for temporary appointment shall not be counted as one of such certificates.

Section 772—4. In every county in which a commission shall be appointed, pursuant to the provisions of sections 772—1 to 772—17, inclusive, of the statutes, all offices and positions in the public service in said county shall be divided into two classes, known respectively as the classified and the unclassified service. The unclassified service shall include all officials elected by the people, all members of boards and commissions, professors and instructors in any county agricultural school, the court reporters of all courts, the clerk of the civil court, the undersheriff, the deputy register of deeds, deputy clerk of the circuit court, deputy county clerk, deputy county treasurer, and deputy coroner. All other offices and positions, however created or filled shall be included in the classified service. Whenever practicable, the commission in the certification of eligibles, other conditions being

equal, shall give preference to veterans of any of the wars of the United States. Preference is hereby defined to mean that whenever a question arises as to the certification of two persons of equal qualification as determined by civil service examination and one of these persons is a war veteran, he shall be certified, and the rules of the commission shall so provide.

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

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CHAPTER 19.

AN ACT to repeal subsections (5), (6) and (8) of section 20.15 and to create a new subsection of section 20.15 of the statutes, relating to the Grand Army of the Republic, and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. Subsections (5), (6) and (8) of section 20.15 of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 2. There is added to section 20.15 of the statutes a new subsection to be numbered and to read: (20.15) (5) To the Wisconsin Department of the Grand Army of the Republic, on May 1, 1919, not to exceed five hundred dollars, and annually, beginning July 1, 1919, not to exceed one thousand dollars, for necessary expenses of the annual encampment thereof, to be expended only upon the certification by the commander thereof to the secretary of state.

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

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CHAPTER 20.

AN ACT to appropriate certain sums of money herein mentioned, for the purpose of paying the expenses incurred by the joint committee of the legislature, appointed pursuant to the provisions of joint resolution No. 3, S. of the first special session of 1918, to recommend a drainage bill to the 1919 session of the legislature.

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

SECTION 1. For the purpose of paying the expenses incurred by the joint committee of the legislature, appointed pursuant to