

(a) To devise means to facilitate the circulation of books among the blind.

(b) To visit the aged and helpless blind at their homes, or by such other means as may be deemed proper, to suggest improvements in their living conditions and home surroundings, and to give to them such instructions and assistance as conditions seem to warrant.

(c) To arrange for the placing of indigent blind persons in suitable homes when such homes can be secured, and to make such arrangements as may be necessary with county officials for the support of such persons.

(d) To arrange for the payment of pensions to blind persons who are entitled to it, and to secure positions for blind persons who are physically able to take employment.

(e) To perform such other duties to assist the blind as may be designated by the state board of control.

2. The state board of control shall fix the salary to be paid to the said field agent, which shall be in addition to traveling expenses incurred by him. The traveling expenses shall be paid out of the general fund of the state upon the approval of the state board of control.

3. The state board of control shall make a report to the legislature of 1921, which report shall show the number of blind persons in the state, their condition, causes of the blindness, and the capacity provided for their education and industrial training, and shall make such recommendations for the improvement of the condition of blind persons in the state as it deems proper.

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

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CHAPTER 500.

AN ACT to amend subsections (1) and (3) of section 40.31 and subsection (1) of section 40.32, relating to uniform textbooks.

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

SECTION 1. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 40.31 and subsection (1) of section 40.32 of the statutes are amended to read: (40.31) (1) Whenever at any annual county school board convention provided for in subsection (9) of section 39.07, the question of adopting county or district uniform school textbooks shall be voted upon, the vote shall be taken by school districts and each school district shall be entitled to one vote. If a majority

of all the districts in the county or superintendent district is in favor of adopting county or district uniform school textbooks, it shall be the duty of said school board convention to immediately proceed to the election of a county board of education for such county or superintendent district, which board shall be composed of five persons, except as hereinafter provided. And said school board convention shall, at a regular meeting every * * * *five* years thereafter elect five persons who shall constitute said county board of education. School officers residing in school districts not affected by the provisions of this act shall not be entitled to vote on the question of uniformity of textbooks nor be entitled to participate in the election of the members of the county board of education.

(3) The members of the county board of education so elected shall hold their offices for * * * *five* years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

(40.32) (1) Every county board of education shall, between the first day of January and the first day of July, next following the date of their appointment, and every * * * *fifth* year after the first adoption of textbooks, meet at the county seat and select and adopt a uniform series of textbooks for their respective counties.

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

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CHAPTER 501.

AN ACT to appropriate a sum of money therein named for the purpose of erecting a statue in honor of James Duane Doty, the founder of Wisconsin.

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

SECTION 1. There is appropriated out of any money in the general fund not otherwise appropriated the sum of fifteen thousand dollars to be expended under the direction of the governor in the erection and purchase of a statue to the memory of Honorable James Duane Doty, founder of Wisconsin, providing that no part of this appropriation shall be available unless an equal amount of money shall be raised by popular subscription for this purpose.

SECTION 2. This statue of Honorable James Duane Doty shall be erected and located on Doty Island at the west end of Nicolet