case crediting the proper town, city or village with the amount of the redemption value of said certificates. Whenever the county elects to sell as aforesaid said certificates, the governing body of the town, city or village which returned the special assessment delinquent, may by resolution authorize its treasurer to bid at the sale thereof by the county, and notice of such sale shall be given to the clerk of the proper town, city or village by the county treasurer at least thirty days prior to said sale. In the event that no such action is taken by the county board or its treasurer within the said period of six months, the county treasurer shall credit the amount of the redemption value of said certificates to the town, city or village which returned the same delinquent, and said certificates shall thenceforth be deemed the property of the county.

3. The county treasurer may require bids upon each separate certificate or any number of certificates issued against property located in the same town, city or village, as he may deem for the best interests of the county and the municipality, and may reject any and all bids in case they are too low in the judgment of said treasurer, in which case he shall re-advertise and re-offer the same for sale within sixty days thereafter.

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

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CHAPTER 473.

AN ACT authorizing the attorney-general to settle an action against the state.

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

SECTION 1. The attorney-general is hereby authorized to settle the action now pending in the supreme court, entitled Standish Engineering Corporation, a corporation, plaintiff, v. The State of Wisconsin, defendant, by offering to allow judgment to be taken therein by the plaintiff against the defendant, in the manner provided in section 269.02 of the statutes, for a sum not to exceed forty per centum of the amount claimed in the verified complaint of the plaintiff on file in said action. If the plaintiff in

said action accepts such offer in the manner provided in said section 269.02 of the statutes, the clerk of the supreme court shall enter judgment thereon accordingly in the manner provided in said section, and such judgment shall be a judgment of the supreme court in said action, as if rendered by said court in the manner provided in section 285.03 of the statutes. Payment of said judgment shall constitute full settlement by the state of all claims, demands, actions and causes of action on the part of said plaintiff arising out of the transactions set forth in said plaintiff's verified complaint in said action.

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

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CHAPTER 474.

AN ACT to amend section 14.59 of the statutes, relating to the office hours of state departments.

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

Section 1. Section 14.59 of the statutes is amended to read: 14.59 The offices of the departments of state government shall be kept open on all days of the year, except Sundays and holidays, and office hours shall begin at eight-thirty o'clock A. M. and close at five o'clock P. M. with intermissions from twelve o'clock M. to one-thirty o'clock P. M. except Saturday afternoons when such hours may be observed as the heads of departments may think proper. During the summer months from May first to October first, departments may, in the discretion of the advisory council of the executive department begin office hours at eight o'clock A. M. and close at four o'clock P. M. with intermission at twelve o'clock M. to one o'clock P. M. Heads of departments may, in their discretion, grant to each clerk or other person who has been in the employ of the state continuously for twelve months, eighteen working days leave of absence in each year without loss of pay.

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

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