

a population of * * * 125,000 or more, may appoint a person or committee as county purchasing agent, and such person or member of such committee need not be a member of the county board but may be the county clerk, county treasurer, or any other county officer, and make appropriations for their services. Such purchasing agent shall provide all books, stationery, blanks, safes, furniture, telephone service, fuel, and lights necessary for the discharge of official business in the offices of the county clerk, clerk of the circuit court, register of deeds, treasurer, sheriff, and county judge, and the chairman of the county board shall forthwith sign an order in payment therefor. When the cost of such supplies exceeds \$60, the said purchasing agent shall in such manner as he shall deem best to secure the attention of probable bidders, invite proposals of similar standard supplies of equal quantity, and shall purchase from the lowest reliable bidder. In counties having a population of * * * 125,000 or more, purchases shall be made for any or all of the offices, boards, departments, and commissions of said county in such manner and by such agency as the county board shall by ordinance provide for.

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

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CHAPTER 88.

AN ACT to create 85.01 (4) (ha) of the statutes, relating to part year fees.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Paragraph (ha) of subsection (4) of section 85.01 of the statutes is created to read:

(85.01) (4) (ha) SAME; PERSONS CALLED TO MILITARY DUTY. The motor vehicle owned by any person who engages in active service of any of the naval or military forces of the United States shall be exempt from the registration provisions of chapter 85 for any period not less than one month of any registration year, provided the owner thereof makes written

application for such exemption to the commissioner of the motor vehicle department in such form and furnishes such proof as the commissioner may require for any such vehicle which will not be operated upon the public highways of this or any other state during any registration period or part thereof. A refund shall be made of one-twelfth of the registration fee paid for such vehicle times the number of full months remaining in the registration year for which the vehicle will not be operated upon the public highways of this or any other state, provided that the applicant for such refund surrenders the certificate of registration, license plates, and files with the commissioner an affidavit in such form as the commissioner shall require. Whenever the owner of a vehicle who has been granted an active service exemption under the provisions of this paragraph desires to reregister such vehicle, the motor vehicle department will register such vehicle in the same manner as a vehicle which has not been previously registered in this state.

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CHAPTER 89.

AN ACT to repeal 20.57 (8) of the statutes and to authorize the industrial commission to wind up the affairs of the painters license division and to make certain refunds, and making an appropriation.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection (8) of section 20.57 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. The industrial commission is authorized and directed to wind up all the affairs of the painters license division as a result of the enactment of chapter 35, laws of 1941, and for such purpose may pay all expenses and charges incurred thereby, including payment of salaries of such employes of the division as may be necessary therefor, from the appropriation made by subsection (8) of section 20.57 of the statutes. Such winding up shall be completed before May 31, 1941.

SECTION 3. The industrial commission shall, prior to May 31, 1941, refund to the persons entitled thereto all license and