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CHAPTER 13.

AN ACT to create 40.303 (15) of the statutes, relating to the validation of the organization and proceedings of certain school districts.

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

40.303 (15) of the statutes is created to read: 40.303 (15) VALIDATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS. (a) All school districts created, altered or consolidated pursuant to this section by order of the legally constituted county school committees in each of the counties of this state, where such order was issued prior

to December 31, 1951 are hereby validated and legalized in all respects as though they had been duly and legally established and created in the first instance.

(b) All acts and proceedings of such school districts, and of the electors and officers thereof, for the issuance and sale or authorization of bonds within the constitutional debt limitation and for purposes authorized by ch. 67 including the levy and collection of taxes therefor, are hereby validated and legalized in all respects, notwithstanding any irregularity or omission in such acts and proceedings.

(c) Pars. (a) and (b) shall not apply in any case where the order of county school committee has been disapproved at a valid referendum held under sub. (8) or (14) and the school district involved has not thereafter exercised the rights and privileges of a school district for a period of 4 months, or where litigation questioning the validity of the organization of a school district is pending in any court of the state on the effective date of this subsection (1953), or where a petition for a referendum has been filed pursuant to sub. (8) and such referendum has not been held prior to the effective date of this subsection.

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