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**CHAPTER 462**

AN ACT to create 13.45 of the statutes, relating to the establishment of a joint legislative committee on physical plant maintenance.

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

13.45 of the statutes is created to read:

**13.45 COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL PLANT MAINTENANCE.**

(1) **PURPOSE.** In order to call the attention of the legislature to the dangers of permitting the capitol, state office building, executive mansion

and heating plant to deteriorate and to propose a comprehensive plan for the systematic maintenance of these structures, the committee on physical plant maintenance is created.

(2) ORGANIZATION. The joint legislative committee on physical plant maintenance is created under the legislative council consisting of one senator and 2 assemblymen who possess substantial experience in construction and related fields, appointed as are standing committees in the respective houses. The committee shall expire May 1, 1959, and members are not disqualified because they cease to be legislators. The committee shall elect a chairman and secretary from among its membership. The members shall be reimbursed for their necessary expenses as provided in s. 20.530

(1) (c).

(3) DUTIES. It is the duty of the committee to:

(a) Thoroughly investigate the state of repair of the capital and state office building.

(b) Determine the existing schedule of repairs and maintenance and the adequacy of this schedule.

(c) Project the necessary personnel, materials and supplies required annually to maintain these structures in an adequate state of repair, and make specific budget recommendations to accomplish this purpose.

(d) Consider the adequacy of the methods of handling visitors to the state capitol, and make recommendations for any improvement.

(e) Consider the adequacy of the elevator service and make recommendations for any improvement.

(f) Investigate, in co-operation with experts of the safety division of the industrial commission, as to whether or not the capitol and state office building conform to the safety and health standards required of other public buildings.

(g) Investigate the housekeeping of the capitol and state office building to determine the adequacy of the staff, the effectiveness of their work and ways and means of preventing the indiscriminate discarding of refuse in the buildings.

(h) Study legislative space use including hearing room, office and other space requirements with the view to relieving congestion and provide more suitable and adequate facilities.

(i) Report its findings, conclusions and recommendations to the legislative council on or before November 1, 1958.

(4) CO-OPERATION. The several departments of the state government are directed to co-operate with the committee in providing information required for their investigation.

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