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CHAPTER 226

AN ACT to amend 13.351 (2) (b) and 197.20 (1) of the statutes, relating to permitting the state to sell steam to local government agencies, to lease space in state office building to other governmental agencies and to provide that state agencies may sell land.

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

SECTION 1. 13.351 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

13.351 (2) (b) The commission shall have all the powers necessary to carry out its duties and is authorized to accept all donations, gifts and bequests made to the state for public building purposes, including any grants that may be made by the federal government and to apply the same in accordance with the terms of the grant or the wishes of the donors, insofar as such is practicable. In the construction of all new buildings or additions to existing buildings used for housing state offices and constructed for general state purposes and not specially for the use of any particular state agency, the state building commission shall function with respect to such construction in the same manner as other state agencies function with respect to buildings constructed for such agencies. The commission shall * * * fix the rental for all space in such buildings, and, notwithstanding any other statute, shall have authority to remove to any building any department housed in the state capitol other than the constitutional offices. After the completion of such buildings, they shall be in the charge of the department of administration as provided by s. 16.85. The commission with respect to any of such buildings shall have all the powers so far as applicable as were conferred by law on the state office building commission with respect to the state office building. The commission may lease space in such buildings to other governmental bodies or to nonprofit associations organized for public purposes and shall charge such bodies or associations an annual rental which shall be not less than the cost of operating, maintaining and amortizing the construction cost of such leased space.

SECTION 2. 197.20 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

197.20 (1) * * * Cities, counties, school districts and nonprofit associations organized for public purposes are authorized to purchase steam from the state * * * and the state may sell steam to * * * cities, counties,

school districts and nonprofit associations. Contracts for such service may be entered into by the state with * * * cities, counties, school districts and nonprofit associations organized for public purposes jointly or severally if the state building commission finds such sale by the state to be in the interest of the state. Steam mains shall be tapped as directed by the department of administration, and a suitable steam line connected therewith, and extended at the expense of the purchaser.

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