

tion, when so amended, shall read as follows: Section 665. A majority of the supervisors entitled to a seat in the county board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; but when any county board is composed of but two persons, the county clerk shall be ex-officio a member of such board. All questions shall be determined by a majority of the supervisors present, unless otherwise provided.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 275.

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of religious missionary societies.

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

May organize corporation for religious purposes.

SECTION 1. Any male persons, not less than ten in number, over twenty-one years of age, who are members of churches of any religious sect or denomination, which churches have been or may hereafter be incorporated under the laws of Wisconsin, and are then maintaining regular public worship, may organize a corporation for religious missionary purposes in the manner hereinafter provided.

Form of certificate to be used.

SECTION 2. Such persons shall sign and acknowledge before some officer authorized by law to take acknowledgments of deeds, a certificate, substantially in the following form: "Know all men by these presents, that the undersigned (here insert the names of the signers), members of churches organized and incorporated under the laws of Wisconsin, and now maintaining regular public worship, and all other persons who are, or may become associated with them, for the purposes herein specified, have organized themselves in a religious society, to be located in (here insert the name of town, city or village), in the county of——, in

the state of Wisconsin, for religious missionary purposes, which society shall be known and incorporated by the name of (here insert the name).” And each such person so signing such certificate shall add or cause to be added immediately after his signature, the following: “Member of this (denomination) church, at (here insert town, village or city), of _____ county, Wisconsin, or other words particularly designating the church of which he is such member. And they shall record the same in the office of the register of deeds of such county. And when such certificate shall have been so recorded, the society named therein shall be a corporation, and shall possess the powers and privileges granted to corporations by chapter 85, of the revised statutes, so far as the same is applicable or necessary to accomplish its purposes, and also such as are conferred by this chapter.

SECTION 3. Such corporation may, by its constitution and by-laws, fix the terms and qualifications of membership and office therein, may provide rules for the government of the society and its officers, and fix the number of its trustees, not less than three nor more than —, their terms of office and the manner of appointing or electing the same.

Fix the terms and qualification of members and officers.

SECTION 4. Such corporation may take and receive by gift, grant, purchase or otherwise, and hold and use, both real and personal estate for the purposes for which it has been incorporated and no other; and may lease, mortgage, sell and otherwise dispose of the same or any portion thereof at pleasure.

May except real and personal estate.

SECTION 5. The secular business and temporal affairs of such corporation shall be administered by the board of trustees. It shall appoint a clerk or secretary and a treasurer with power to remove the same, and shall cause accurate records of all its proceedings and of all business of such society to be kept, and such board of trustees shall have the custody and management of the corporate property and shall be governed in its official acts by the rules of its society applicable thereto, and not inconsistent with the laws of this state; and it may adopt and have a corporate seal and alter the same at pleasure. No failure to elect trustees

Appoint clerk or secretary and treasurer.

at the proper time shall work a dissolution of any corporation organized under this chapter; and those once elected shall hold their offices until their successors are elected. The signers of such certificates shall constitute the first board of trustees or directors, and in like manner shall hold their offices until their successors are elected.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 276.

AN ACT to repeal chapter 249, of the laws of 1881, an act entitled, "An act to provide for locating, establishing, opening and maintaining a state road from the city of Grand Rapids, in Wood county, to Stevens Point, in Portage county, Wisconsin.

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

Vacating state road.

SECTION 1. Chapter 249, of the laws of 1881, entitled, "An act to provide for locating, establishing, opening, and maintaining a state road from the city of Grand Rapids, in Wood county, to Stevens Point, in Portage county, Wisconsin," is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect from and after its passage and publication.

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