

shippers except sleeping cars, to be used on, or in the operation of the line of any railroad company wholly or partly within this state, not being the owner or lessee of such railroad, shall be deemed an equipment company.

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

Approved April 27, 1899.

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## CHAPTER 278.

AN ACT to amend section 764a of the statutes of 1898, relating to fees and salaries in the register of deed's office in counties in this state having a population of one hundred and fifty thousand and upwards.

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

Amending portion.

SECTION 1. Section 764a of the statutes of 1898, is hereby amended as follows: insert after the word "five" in the twelfth line of said section the words "and not more than thirteen." Strike out the word "forty" where it occurs in the twelfth line and insert the word "fifty." Strike out the word "five" where it occurs in the twenty-fourth line, and insert the words "seven and one-half." Strike out the word "two" where it occurs in the twenty-fifth line, and insert the word "three." Strike out the word "thirty" where it occurs in the twenty-sixth line, and insert the words "thirty-seven and one-half." Strike out the word "forty" where it occurs in the thirty-sixth line and insert the word "fifty." Strike

out the word "four" where it occurs in the thirty-fifth line, and insert the word "five." Strike out the word "fifteen" where it occurs in the thirty-fifth line, and insert the word "twenty." Strike out the word "twenty-five" where it occurs in the fortieth and forty-first lines, and insert in lieu thereof the word "forty." Strike out the word "seven" where it occurs in the fifty-sixth line, and insert the word "ten." Strike out the word "ten" where it occurs in the fifty-seventh line, and insert the word "thirteen." Strike out the word "five" in the fifty-eighth line, and insert the word "seven." Strike out all of the last two lines of said section, so that said section when amended shall read as follows: Section 764a. The provisions of the foregoing section shall not

Salary of register, his deputy and clerks.

apply to counties which are shown by the last census to have a population of one hundred and fifty thousand or more; but in all counties which have or shall contain such a population the register of deeds, whose term of office begins next after the taking of any census which shall show such number of inhabitants to be in any such county, shall receive, in lieu of all fees, a salary of four thousand dollars per year; the deputy register of deeds a salary of one thousand eight hundred dollars per year; the entry or receiving clerk a salary of one thousand two hundred dollars per year; and the remainder of the clerical force shall be two comparing clerks at a salary of fifty dollars per month each, and a sufficient number of copyists, not less than five and not more than thirteen, who shall each receive fifty dollars per month. All these salaries shall be paid by the county treasurer monthly, except that those of the register, his deputy and the entry or receiving clerk shall be so paid quarterly. The register shall appoint his deputy and all the other clerks which may be employed in his office, but the appointment of such deputy shall not take effect until it is confirmed by the county board. The register of deeds in every such county shall, quarterly, pay to the county treas-

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urer all the fees and emoluments of every kind and nature received by him as register, and shall, at the same time, file with the county clerk, to be laid before the county board, a sworn statement of all such fees and emoluments for said quarter and of the expenses of his office during such time. Every such register shall receive the following fees, to-wit: For entering and recording any deed or other instrument, seven and one-half cents for each folio and three cents for every necessary entry thereof in the tract index when kept, but not less than thirty-seven and one-half cents for any deed nor sixty cents for any mortgage. For recording any instrument written in any other than the English language, fifteen cents for each folio. For filing and entering any writ of attachment or copy thereof, with the certificate of an officer, or any certificate or [of] sale, or notice of the pendency of any action containing not more than twenty defendants, twenty cents, and the same sum for every twenty additional defendants, in any such writ, certificate or notice. For copies of any records or papers, five cents for each folio and twenty cents for his certificate. For entry of a discharge of a mortgage in the margin of a record ten cents. For filing every other paper and making entry thereof when necessary ten cents. For a certified copy of a full record of any marriage, birth or death, forty cents. For examining proofs of marriage, birth or death when presented in the form of affidavits, twenty cents. All the foregoing fees to be payable in advance by the party procuring such services. For registering any marriage, birth or death, twenty cents, and for a copy thereof certified to the secretary of state, seven cents, to be paid by the county in cases where the certificates or proof of such marriage, birth or death is presented for registration within one year after its occurrence, but otherwise to be paid by the party procuring registration. For making his annual statistical return of real estate sales to the secre-

tary of state, six cents per folio, to be paid out of the state treasury. For making a new tract index upon the order of the county board, such sum as may be fixed by the board, not exceeding two cents for each entry, to be paid from the county treasury. For recording plats containing from one to twenty lots, ten dollars, and for plats containing from twenty to fifty lots, thirteen dollars, and for each additional lot seven cents.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after the first day of May, 1899.

Approved April 28, 1899.

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## CHAPTER 279.

AN ACT to establish a board of immigration, and making an appropriation to provide for the cost of maintenance thereof.

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

SECTION 1. The governor and the secretary of state are hereby constituted a board of immigration for this state, and the state board of immigration shall continue in office until April 1st, 1901, and discharge the duties prescribed by this bill. Said board shall receive no compensation for their services.

Governor and secretary of state made the board.

SECTION 2. The board of immigration provided in the first section of this act, shall appoint a secretary who shall receive a salary not to exceed eighteen hundred dollars, per annum, and who shall devote his time exclusively to the promotion and encouragement of immigration to, and the settlement of, this state, under the direc-

Board to appoint a secretary, and salary of.