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CHAPTER 86.

AN ACT amending section 578, of the statutes of 1898, relating to instruction of deaf mutes in villages and cities, and the organization of schools therefor.

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

Board of education to take charge of deaf mute instruction; state aid. SECTION 1. Section 578, statutes of 1898, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Upon application by the board of education of any village or city, made to the state superintendent, he may, by and with the consent of the state board of control, grant permission to such city or village to establish and maintain within its corporate limits one or more schools for the instruction of deaf mutes who are residents of this state. The board of education of any village or city which shall maintain one or more such schools, shall, through its clerk or secretary, report to such superintendent and board annually, and oftener if they so direct, such facts in relation to such school or schools as they may require. There shall be paid out of the state treasury annually, in the month of July, to the treasurer of every such city or village maintaining such school or schools under the charge of one or more teachers, whose qualifications shall be approved by the state superintendent, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for each deaf mute pupil instructed in such school or schools at least nine months during the year next preceding the first day of July, and a share of such sum proportionate to the term of instruction of any such pupil as shall be so instructed less than nine months during such year.

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

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