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**CHAPTER 184.**

AN ACT to amend section 284 of the statutes, relating to duties of commissioners of public lands; lands to be sold.

*The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 284 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 284. The said commissioners shall from time to time sell all lands escheated or which shall escheat to the state upon such notice and in such manner as is required for the sale of public lands; but every such sale shall be for cash only; and upon payment to the treasurer of the purchase price the said commissioners shall execute and deliver to the purchaser a quit-claim deed of conveyance under their hands, which shall vest in the grantee all the right, title, and interest of the state and every right of action which the state might have had but for such sale and conveyance; provided that no covenant for title or enjoyment shall be given in or implied from such deeds or any words therein; \* \* \* *but any purchaser, making any such purchase, his heirs, representatives, or assigns, shall have refunded to him by the state the amount so paid together with interest on such sum at the rate of six per cent. per annum, and the taxes actually paid by him on such land, if such land is recovered by the owner or owners, his or their heirs, representatives, or assigns, at the time of such supposed escheat, within twenty years from the time of such purchase; the intent hereof being that such purchaser from the state, his heirs, representatives, or assigns, shall not lose the purchase price so paid, nor the interest thereon, in case such property is recovered by the owner or owners, or their successors, within twenty years after such purchase, but the state shall not be liable for any other damage or costs except those herein specified.*

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

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**CHAPTER 185.**

AN ACT to amend section 959—35 of the statutes, relating to special assessments for street improvements.

*The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 959—35 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 959—35. No property fronting on any street or

avenue in any city of the first, second, or third class shall be exempt from any assessment of benefits on account of the paving \* \* \* of said street or avenue with a permanent pavement, having a concrete foundation or the curbing or resurfacing of such street or avenue, until such property \* \* \* shall have paid in the aggregate in assessments for street pavements in front thereof the sum of \* \* \* three dollars per square yard; \* \* \* such assessments in each case to include all that part of the roadway lying directly in front of or abutting the property, and lying between the curb line and the center of such roadway. In cities of the first and second class exemption shall extend only to and include one-half of the cost of such pavement, curbing, or re-surfacing in excess of three dollars per square yard and only one-half the cost of any subsequent pavement, re-pavement, or re-surfacing of such street or avenue. Whenever any property has paid less than the amount in this section required, it shall be held liable for any difference up to the full amount herein required.

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

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## CHAPTER 186.

AN ACT to amend sections 925—98, 925—100, and 925—106 of the statutes, relating to waterworks, lighting works, and heating plants.

*The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 925—98 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 925—98. When cities own the water works, \* \* \* lighting works, or heating plant or plants, the water rates or charges for lighting or heating shall be collected by the treasurer and be first devoted to the expense of maintaining and operating the works, paying the principal and interest of any indebtedness created in the construction or purchase thereof, and the balance, if any, shall be paid into the general fund. The common council of every city which shall construct or own and operate lighting works, \* \* \* water works, or a heating plant or plants to supply the city and its inhabitants with light, \* \* \* water, or heat, may, by ordinance, fix the initial rates to be charged for lights, \* \* \* water, or heat furnished the inhabitants thereof, and provide for the collection of the same either quarterly or semi-annually