

moved and another appointed in his place, *and the county judge may, if he deem it necessary, appoint a guardian ad litem for such minors, whose duty it shall be to see that the interests of said minors are protected.*

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 563.

AN ACT to amend sections 258a and 261 of the statutes, relating to the rate of interest on municipal and school district loans.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 258a and 261 of the statutes are amended to read: Section 258a. The loans provided for by subdivision 5 of the preceding section may be made for any term not exceeding twenty years, may be made payable in instalments, and be in such amounts as shall not, in connection with all other indebtedness of the town, village, city or county applying therefor, exceed five per centum of the average assessed valuation of the taxable property therein for the three years next preceding the application for such loan; provided, that such loan may be made to pay off existing indebtedness and may be paid over in instalments as fast as such indebtedness or the evidence thereof is canceled. The rate of interest on such loans shall not be less than four per centum per annum. *Loans, application for which shall have been filed with the commissioners of the public lands prior to the passage of this section, may be made at the then lawful rate of interest.*

(See c. 236.)

Section 261. Every loan to a school district may be made for such time, not exceeding fifteen years, and of such amount as together with all other indebtedness of such district, shall not exceed five per centum of the last preceding assessed valuation of the property in such district, not less than two-thirds of which valuation shall be on real estate, and not exceeding in any case twenty-five thousand dollars, as may be agreed upon; the principal shall be payable in equal annual instalments with interest at a uniform rate of four per centum per annum, payable annually. No such loan shall be made until proof be filed in the office of said commissioners of the complete performance on the part of such district of each and every act hereinafter required to precede the same. *Loans, application for which shall have been filed*

with the commissioners of the public lands prior to the passage of this section, may be made at the then lawful rate of interest.

(See c. 236.)

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 564.

AN ACT to amend section 925—255 of the statutes, relating to city improvements or contracts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 925—255 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 925—255. 1. No city officer shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any improvement or contract to which the city is a party, or have any direct or indirect interest in or be an agent, employee, or representative of any individual, firm, or corporation that is a party to any such contract or furnishes any materials or labor for such improvement or contract, and whenever it shall appear that such is the case such contract shall be absolutely null and void and the city shall incur no liability whatever thereon. No city officer shall be accepted as surety on any bond, contract or other obligation made to the city.

2. A city officer violating any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, besides the costs, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and shall forfeit his office and be permanently disqualified from holding any office that exists under the laws of this state.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

(See c. 676.)

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CHAPTER 565.

AN ACT to amend section 931a of the statutes, relating to taxes for libraries.

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

SECTION 1. Section 931a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 931a. If a gift be offered to any city, village or town