

where two or more districts are consolidated by action of any board or any other authority provided by statute, such consolidated district shall be privileged and entitled to receive and share in all regular and special aids and apportionments and obligations provided by law for districts when consolidated by vote of the electors.

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

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CHAPTER 271.

AN ACT to amend subsection (1) of section 65.06 of the statutes, relating to budget systems in cities of the first class.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (1) of section 65.06 of the statutes is amended to read: (65.06) (1) No money shall be expended and no liabilities incurred by the city or any department unless otherwise specially authorized by law during the fiscal year, in excess of the amounts specified in the budget or for any other purpose, *provided, however, that whenever a water works department of the city desires to make a contract extending over a period of more than one year for additions to the plant in excess of the estimated revenue for the year, if in the opinion of the board of estimate there will be money available to meet the payments on the contract as they may come due, then, by a majority vote of the board, they may authorize the comptroller to countersign such contract.*

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

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CHAPTER 272.

AN ACT to create section 925—6a of the statutes, relating to the exemption of cities of the first class from the provisions of sections 925—2 to 925—294, inclusive, of the statutes.

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

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: Section 925—6a. No city of the first class, whether organized under general or special charter, shall hereafter in any manner be deemed to be operating under the provisions of sections 925—2 to 925—294, both inclusive, unless said city shall specifically elect to come under the said sections in the manner prescribed by sections 925—2 to 925—6, inclusive, or unless any of said sections shall contain an express provision declaring it to be applicable to cities operating under special charter, provided, however, that the term "all cities" in the general charter statute shall not be deemed to be such an express provision.

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

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CHAPTER 273.

AN ACT to amend section 3306 of the statutes, relating to moneys collected for forfeiture.

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

SECTION 1. Section 3306 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 3306. All moneys collected on account of any judgment in favor of the state for forfeiture, pursuant to this chapter, except the portion to be paid by law to any person who sues jointly with the state therefor, shall be paid by the officer who collects the same, except justices of the peace and town and city treasurers, to the treasurer of the county within which such forfeiture was incurred within twenty days after its collection or receipt by him; and in case of any neglect or failure in such payment such county treasurer may sue and collect the same of such officer by action, in his name of office and upon the official bond of such officer, if any he has given, with interest at the rate of twelve per centum per annum from the time when it should have been so paid. *Provided however, where the defendant in a bastardy action breaches the recognizance for his appearance and trial in a court of record, and fails to appear at the trial, and is found and adjudged guilty at the trial of being the father of the bastard child, the amount collected upon the forfeiture of said recognizance, the*