

thousand dollars for operation as a deficiency appropriation in addition to all other appropriations for operation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925.

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

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CHAPTER 298.

AN ACT to amend subsections (1) and (3) of section 60.05 and subsections (1) and (2) of section 60.06 of the statutes, relating to the organization of new towns.

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

SECTION 1. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 60.05 and subsections (1) and (2) of section 60.06 of the statutes are amended to read: (60.05) (1) When * * * *fifty* or more freeholders, residents of any town, and at least one-third of the electors thereof, shall petition the county board to divide, or to dissolve such town, and shall, at least twenty days before the next annual meeting, file a copy of such petition with the town clerk, he shall, at least ten days before such town meeting, give notice that the question of division, or of dissolution, as the case may be, of such town will be voted upon by ballot at such meeting, by posting, upon the question of division, notice thereof, showing the manner in which it is proposed to divide such town, in four public places in each proposed subdivision thereof, and upon the question of dissolution, notice thereof in four public places in such town.

(3) No town shall be divided so as to constitute or leave any town, not having * * * *seventy-five* electors, and real estate valued at the last preceding assessment at * * * *two hundred thousand dollars* or more, or less than thirty-six sections in area.

(60.06) (1) Any government township, or any contiguous territory, being part of any town or towns, equal in area to more than one government township and to not more than two govern-

ment townships, lying within the same county, having at least * * * *seventy-five* resident freeholders or homesteaders, at least * * * *forty* of whom are electors who have resided within such territory for at least one year prior to the verification of the petition referred to in this section, and an assessed valuation of at least * * * *two* hundred thousand dollars according to the last preceding assessment, may be organized into a town, where the remaining area of any town of which such proposed town forms a part is not less than thirty-six * * * *square miles*, and has not less than * * * *seventy-five* resident electors and an assessed value of not less than * * * *two* hundred thousand dollars according to the last preceding assessment.

(2) A petition signed by a majority of the electors and a majority of the resident freeholders and homesteaders of proposed town showing the existence of facts entitling such territory to be organized as a town and containing an accurate description of such territory, the name of the town or towns of which it forms a part, the names of the electors, and the proposed name of the new town verified by at least three signers, shall be presented to the circuit court, or the presiding judge thereof, of the county in which such territory is located, who shall thereupon by order fix the time and place for the hearing of the petition by said court, and direct that a copy of the petition and order be served upon the clerk of the town or towns of which such territory forms a part, at least * * * *twenty* days before the hearing and that notice of such hearing be published once a week for three successive weeks in a newspaper designated as most likely to give notice to the people of such territory. No formal answer to the petition need be filed.

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