

body. Within 40 days after the termination of such federal service such elected or appointed official or employe, upon filing with the clerk his statement under oath of such termination and that he elects to resume his office or position, may resume such office or position for the remainder of the term for which he was elected or appointed. The person temporarily filling the vacancy shall thereupon cease to hold the office.

(5) If any provision of section 66.52 or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of such subsections or provisions thereof and the application of such provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

(6) In cities of the third class with a commission plan of government, in case of temporary or permanent vacancies in the office of mayor, the vice-mayor shall temporarily succeed to the office of mayor for the balance of his unexpired term for which he was elected unless sooner terminated as provided in section 17.035 (3). The temporary or permanent vacancy thereby created in the office of councilman may thereupon be filled as provided in section 66.52. The term of the person appointed temporarily to the office of councilman shall not exceed beyond the expiration of the term of the office vacated and such temporary term shall be vacated sooner as provided for in section 17.035 (3).

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### CHAPTER 243.

AN ACT to create 343.401 (2m) of the statutes, relating to the issuance of worthless checks, drafts or orders, and providing a penalty.

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

343.401 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:

343.401 (2m) The issuance for any purpose of a check, draft or order which is not honored or paid upon presentation because of no account at, insufficient or no funds in, or credit with the bank upon which such instrument was drawn, shall render the

person or firm issuing the same liable for all costs and expenses in connection with the collection of the amount for which it was written.

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### CHAPTER 244.

AN ACT to create 39.45 of the statutes, relating to contracts of school teachers.

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

SECTION 1. 39.45 of the statutes is created to read:

39.45 CONTRACTS OF SCHOOL TEACHERS. (1) The term "teacher" as used in this section shall mean and include any person who holds a teacher's certificate issued by the state superintendent of schools or a classification status under the state board of vocational and adult education and whose legal employment requires such certificate or classification status, excepting part-time teachers and teachers employed by any local board of vocational and adult education in any city of the first class and excepting teachers employed by any board of school directors in any city of the first class created and existing under chapter 459, laws of 1907, as amended.

(2) All teachers as defined in this section shall be given written notice of renewal or refusal of his or her contract for the ensuing school year on or before April 1 of the school year during which said teacher holds a contract by the managing body or other proper officer of the school or system in which the teacher is employed. When no such notice is given on or before April 1, the contract of teaching service then in force shall be continued for the ensuing school year. A teacher receiving a notice of renewal of contract for the ensuing year from the employing board or proper officer, or a teacher who does not receive a notice of renewal or refusal of his or her contract for the ensuing school year on or before April 1, shall accept or reject, in writing, such contract no later than April 15 following. No teachers shall be employed or dismissed except by a majority vote of the full mem-