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CHAPTER 119.

AN ACT to amend 43.09 (1) of the statutes, relating to membership on the free library commission.

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

43.09 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

43.09 (1) The governor shall appoint * * * 4 persons for terms of 5 years each, who, with the president of the university, the state superintendent and the secretary of state historical society, shall constitute a free library commission. *The members initially appointed shall serve for terms ending June 1, 1948, June 1, 1949, June 1, 1950 and June 1, 1951, respectively, and their successors shall be appointed for full terms of 5 years. In making such appointments, the governor shall give special consideration to persons who have demonstrated a knowledge of and an interest in the purposes and functions of public libraries.* The officers of the commission shall be a chairman to be elected from the members thereof for the term of one year, and a secretary not of its own number, to be appointed by the commission, under such conditions and for such compensation as to it shall seem adequate. * * *

(1m) *The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the commission, keep accurate accounts of its financial transactions, have charge of its work in organizing new libraries and improving those already established, and in general perform such duties as may from time to time be assigned him by said commission. In addition to his salary he shall be allowed his actual, and necessary traveling expenses while absent from his office upon the service of the commission, such expenses, when approved by the chairman or acting chairman, to be certified under oath to the secretary of state in the same manner as other bills incurred by the commission. Said commission may also engage, from time to time, as desired, such other clerical and expert assistance as shall be requisite in the performance of the work of the commission as set forth in this section.*

Approved May 14, 1947.