

tion, or certified copy thereof shall, for all purposes recited herein, be deemed to be a transcript, exemplification or a certified copy of the original. Such reproduction shall be placed in conveniently accessible files and provision shall be made for preserving, examining and using the same.

(5) SECURING COUNTY BOARD APPROVAL. Before any such officer or clerk of court shall cause any records, papers, or documents to be photographed, micro-photographed or reproduced on film as hereinbefore provided, he shall file with the county board of his county a statement, signed by him, listing the records, papers and documents he desires to cause to be so photographed, micro-photographed or otherwise reproduced on film, and stating that he proposes to cause the records, papers and documents so listed to be reproduced on film and subsequently destroyed. The county board at any regular or special meeting next following the expiration of 30 days from the date of receipt of such notice shall consider such proposal and any objections thereto, and may authorize the officer or clerk of court signing such statement to cause any of the records, papers and documents listed in the statement, in cases where the period of limitation applicable to such record, paper or document as specified in sections 59.23 (8) and 59.715 has elapsed, to be photographed, micro-photographed or otherwise reproduced on film * * *.

(6) COST, HOW PAID. The county shall pay for such photographing, micro-photographing or reproduction on film of said documents, papers and records.

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CHAPTER 346.

AN ACT to create 202.03 of the statutes, relating to the merger or consolidation of town mutual insurance companies.

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

202.03 of the statutes is created to read:

202.03 MERGER OR CONSOLIDATION OF TOWN MUTUALS. Any 2 or more town mutual insurance companies operating in the

same or adjoining territories may merge into a single corporation which may be one of said constituent corporations or may consolidate into a new town mutual corporation. To effect the merger or consolidation it shall be necessary:

(1) That the board of directors of each of the corporations pass a resolution to the effect that the merger or consolidation is advisable and why, and prescribing the terms and conditions of the proposed merger or consolidation and in case of consolidation, containing the proposed name of the new corporation, as consolidated, and the location of its proposed office;

(2) That 2 certified copies of the resolution provided in subsection (1) shall be filed with the commissioner of insurance by each of the companies so proposing to merge or consolidate and he shall within 10 days give his written approval or disapproval of the proposed merger or consolidation to each of said companies. In case the commissioner of insurance shall disapprove of such proposed merger or consolidation he shall state his reasons therefor;

(3) That when the proposed merger or consolidation shall be approved by the commissioner of insurance, a joint special meeting of the policyholders of each of the corporations shall be held on notice mailed to each of the policyholders of said corporations at least 30 days prior to the holding thereof, which notice shall embody a copy or the summary of the resolutions adopted by the boards of directors as provided in subsection (1);

(4) That a two-thirds majority of the policyholders of each of the corporations present at such meeting shall by resolution acting separately approve and ratify the action of their directors and vote to carry out the proposed merger or consolidation. Within 10 days after the adoption of such resolution, 2 copies thereof, with the affidavit of the president and secretary showing compliance with the law, shall be forwarded to the commissioner by each of the companies so merging or consolidating. The procedure for certifying and recording of amendment of articles required by section 202.01 (4) shall be followed by those corporations losing their identities as a result of such merger or consolidation;

(5) That after adoption of the resolution to consolidate such companies as provided in subsection (4), the same joint meeting shall immediately proceed to adopt the articles of

organization for the new company in the form required by section 202.01, and shall elect its first board of directors to take office at the time the legal existence of the new company is effected;

(6) That 2 copies of the articles of organization as provided in subsection (5) with an affidavit signed by 2 of the proposed directors of the new company showing compliance with this section shall be forwarded to the commissioner. The provisions for certifying and recording of articles required by section 202.01 (3) shall apply and thereafter the corporate existence of the companies so consolidating shall cease;

(7) That all of the provisions of sections 202.01 (5) and (8) and section 202.02 shall be required by the new corporation;

(8) That after acknowledgment of the merger or of the legal existence of the new corporation by the commissioner, the merger or consolidation shall be effected and the remaining company in case of merger or new company in case of consolidation thereupon and thereafter shall possess all of the assets, of whatever nature, belonging to or due to each of the companies so merged or consolidated. The remaining company in case of merger or new company in case of consolidation shall thenceforth be responsible and liable for all of the contracts, liabilities and obligations of each of the merged or consolidated companies.

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CHAPTER 347.

AN ACT to amend 141.02 (1) of the statutes, relating to city health commissioner.

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

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

141.02 (1) In cities under general charter the mayor shall, once in 2 years, unless otherwise provided by ordinance, nominate a regular licensed physician as health commissioner, who