- (b) Appeals in actions to punish violation of a village ordinance may be taken in the manner of appeals from justice court in actions in which the state is plaintiff, except that if appeal from the trial court directly to the supreme court may be had, the defendant may appeal only to that court.
- (4) FINES TO GO TO VILLAGE TREASURY. All fines, forfeitures and penalties recovered for the violation of any ordinance, rule, regulation, resolution or by-law of any such village and all moneys paid for licenses and permits shall be paid into the village treasury for the use of such village. The justice of the peace shall report and pay into the treasury, quarterly, all moneys collected by him belonging to such village, which report shall be verified by his affidavit and filed in the office of the treasurer; and he shall be entitled to duplicate receipts for such moneys, one of which he shall take and file with the village clerk.

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CHAPTER 540.

AN ACT to amend sections 48.18, 48.19, 48.20 (1), (2) and (3), 48.21 and 48.22 of the statutes, relating to the nurture of dependent and neglected children and the state public school.

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

SECTION 1. The state public school is renamed the Wisconsin child center. The revisor of statutes is directed to make the necessary changes in the language of the statutes to indicate this change of name.

Section 2. 48.18 of the statutes is amended to read:

48.18 For each child committed to either of said schools for boys or girls or to the * * * Wisconsin child center after June, 1947, during its residence in such institution or a boarding home, whether under permanent or temporary commitment, the county of legal settlement shall be chargeable with the sum of \$5 per week. Such charges will be adjusted in accordance with the provisions of section 46.10. All children under commitment * * * after June, 1947, and remaining under commitment * * *

to any such school after such date shall continue to be a charge of the county of commitment except that the rate to such county shall be \$5 per week for each child. The term "boarding home" as used in this section means those homes in which a board payment is made by any such institution. It does not mean homes in which children are placed on a basis involving no boarding costs.

SECTION 3. 48.19 of the statutes is amended to read:

48.19 * * * The Wisconsin child center shall * * * care for and educate physically, intellectually, vocationally and morally * * * children * * * placed therein until * * * temporary or permanent homes * * * are procured * * * for those who are eligible * * *.

SECTION 4. 48.20 (1), (2) and (3) of the statutes are amended to read:

- 48.20 (1) The * * * department * * * shall admit to * * * the center only dependent and neglected children under 16 years of age, but no child who is feeble-minded, insane or epileptic shall be * * * admitted and if committed shall be returned to the * * * committing authority.
- (2) Children received into the * * * center may in the discretion of the * * * department be retained until they are 21 years of age. Any child * * * may at any time * * * be transferred by the department from the center to some * * * more appropriate institution.
- (3) Every 3 months the superintendent of * * * the center shall report in writing to the * * * department * * * the names of the * * * children in the * * * center, together with such data as will acquaint the department with the reason why each child has not been placed in a home * * * and such additional information as the department * * * desires regarding the changes occurring during the preceding 3 months.

Section 5. 48.21 of the statutes is amended to read:

48.21 (1) * * * Crippled or deformed children under 21 years of age, residents of this state, * * * shall be received at the center if their crippled or deformed conditions * * * can be cured or improved. All * * * laws for the commitment, care, disposition, control and discharge of the * * * other children in the center, and all restrictions upon their admission, except as otherwise provided in this section, * * * apply to such crippled or deformed children.

(2) The * * * department * * * shall engage and fix the salaries of additional physicians, surgeons, nurses, teachers and other employes necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, and shall equip * * * the center with the necessary appliances, material * * * and facilities therefor.

* * * (3) The department shall, whenever suitable and reasonable arrangements can be made, transfer any child designated in subsection (1) * * *, or cause * * * such child to be committed, to some * * * hospital in the state wherein such treat-

ment, surgical assistance and care may be given.

SECTION 6. 48.22 of the statutes is amended to read:

48.22 (1) The children in the * * * Wisconsin child center shall receive substantially the same education as * * * children of like age and capacity * * * receive in the public schools * * * and shall have proper physical, vocational and moral training. * * * The department of public instruction * * * shall inspect the educational work of * * * the center and * * * assist the * * * department * * * in developing * * * such work * * *.

(2) The * * * department * * * is the legal guardian of all children permanently committed to the * * * center. It may place * * * children permanently or temporarily committed in families under the * * * conditions * * * prescribed for licensed child welfare agencies, and may make written contracts with responsible and suitable persons for keeping them during their minority, providing therein for their education in the public schools * * * for teaching them some useful occupation, and for their kind and proper treatment as members of the families in which they are placed. The cost to the state of the maintenance of any such child so placed shall not exceed the average per capita cost of maintenance in the institution * * * from which such child is placed. Bills for the cost of such care shall be payable monthly out of the proper operating funds and shall be audited as are other bills. The county of legal settlement shall be chargeable at the same rates for maintenance of children so placed as provided under section 48.18, and such charges shall be adjusted in the manner provided by section 46.10 the same as if the child were at the institution. The department shall have the right to visit, inspect and investigate such home and to return to the institution or to replace such child in another foster home whenever it deems it advisable or necessary.

- (3) The department may consent to the adoption of any such * * * permanently committed ward in the manner provided by law; and such consent * * * shall have the same * * * effect as if given by the * * * parents of * * * the child. Such consent shall be in duplicate, one copy to be filed with the department and the other delivered to the county court in which the proceedings for adoption are taken. * * * The adoption of the child ends the guardianship of * * * the department * * *
- (4) * * * The department may appoint, to serve during its pleasure, * * * agents * * * to investigate all applicants and applications to take or adopt any such children * * * . * * * As * * * directed by the department, each * * * agent shall visit * * children placed in charge of any person by * * * the department, * * * investigate * * * their condition * * * and * * * report to * * * the department. Each * * * agent * * * shall be paid his necessary traveling expenses which shall be charged against the appropriation for * * * the center.

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CHAPTER 541.

AN ACT to amend 59.04 (1) (a) of the statutes, relating to the annual meeting day of county boards.

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

59.04 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

59.04 (1) (a) Every county board shall hold an annual meeting on the Tuesday next succeeding the second Monday of November in each year at the county seat for the purpose of transacting business as a board of supervisors, provided when that day falls on a legal holiday the annual meeting shall be held on the next succeeding day; and provided further any county board may by its rules establish an earlier date during October or November for such annual meeting and may further by its rules establish regular meeting dates throughout the year at which to transact general business as a board of supervisors. Such annual meeting may be adjourned by the county clerk, upon the