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**CHAPTER 204.**

AN ACT to amend 43.09 (1) and 43.32 (2) (e) and to repeal and recreate 43.165 (1) of the statutes, relating to appointment of the free library commission, public library certifications and defining "municipality".

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

SECTION 1. 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 director of state historical society, or their designated representatives, 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.

SECTION 2. 43.165 (1) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

43.165 (1) The free library commission shall issue certificates to librarians and fix and publish necessary standards for public librarians and public libraries. The qualifications for public librarians shall be based on education, professional training, and experience. Standards for public libraries shall be based on the population served, adequacy of the building and physical facilities, the quality and number of personnel, book resources and other library materials, financial support, and upon such other standards as the commission shall find necessary to insure adequate library service. Certificates already granted shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. 43.32 (2) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

43.32 (2) (e) "Municipality" means *only* a city \* \* \*, incorporated village \* \* \*, town, county, or group of adjoining counties.

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