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CHAPTER 568

AN ACT to amend 20.035, 21.024 (3), (4) (c), (6) (b), (7) (a) and (b), 25.39 (3) and 343.251; and to create 21.024 (4a) and (9) of the statutes, relating to the office of civil defense.

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

SECTION 1. 20.035 of the statutes is amended to read:

20.035 (1) There is appropriated from the emergency disaster fund to the state director of civil defense, on July 1, 1951, not to exceed \$100,000 as a nonlapsible appropriation to be used * * * for the immediate purchase, on a 50-50 matching basis with the federal government, of cots, litters and radiological monitoring instruments for use in training mobile medical teams and in case of emergency resulting from enemy attack. The sums appropriated shall not become available until released by the emergency board. They shall be made available by the board at such time and in such amounts as the board determines is necessary.

(2) There is appropriated from the emergency disaster fund to the state director of civil defense, on July 1, 1951, not to exceed \$50,000 as a nonlapsible appropriation to be used * * * for the immediate purchase, on a 50-50 matching basis with the federal government, of sirens, communication equipment and mobile emergency power equipment for the use of civil defense personnel in * * * target areas *as designated by the federal government* for training purposes and in case of actual emergency caused by enemy attack.

SECTION 2. 21.024 (3) and (4) (c) of the statutes are amended to read:

21.024 (3) The governor may accept gifts or grants to the state from any person for the purpose of civil defense and may authorize any officer of the state or political subdivision thereof to receive such services, equipment, supplies, materials or funds. *If the grants are based upon a matching agreement providing for municipal participation, the state may transfer the title to equipment acquired through municipal participation in such agreement to the municipality.*

(4) (c) The governor may, on behalf of the state, enter into mutual aid agreements with bordering states * * *. Every political subdivision of the state, by action of its governing body, may contract with other political subdivisions of this state or any * * * bordering state for the giving or receiving of services, or both, in civil defense matters. Copies of all such contracts shall be filed with the state director of civil defense.

SECTION 3. 21.024 (4a) of the statutes is created to read:

21.024 (4a) COUNTY LIAISON OFFICERS. In every county which does not have a civil

defense director, the county clerk shall serve as the county civil defense liaison officer, who will provide a source of information for state and local civil defense organizations.

SECTION 4. 21.024 (6) (b) and (7) (a) and (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

21.024 (6) (b) In case of actual enemy attack against the United States or declaration of a state of emergency by the governor, *or for civil defense tests*, the director, under the direction of the governor, shall have the power to prescribe traffic control (air, land and water) in the state, or parts thereof, as necessary to permit orderly disaster relief *and to designate and post highways to be civil defense and military roads which shall be closed to all but authorized civil defense vehicles in time of emergency and test runs.*

(7) (a) Each civil defense unit shall be designated by the name of the state of Wisconsin or of the sponsoring political subdivision thereof. Members of the unit who are not acting as employes of a private employer during civil defense activities shall be deemed employes of the sponsoring state or political subdivision thereof and are then eligible for workmen's compensation benefits * * * from such sponsor.

(b) Employment may be anywhere * * * in * * * or out of the state *including test runs authorized by the governor, * * * and shall, in the case of actual disaster, include every person who is a duly recognized member of an organized civil defense unit.*

SECTION 5. 21.024 (9) of the statutes is created to read:

21.024 (9) NOT TO AFFECT AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to limit or in any way affect the responsibilities of the American National Red Cross as authorized by congress.

SECTION 6. 25.39 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

25.39 (3) The legislature authorizes the civil defense director * * * to enter into agreements with persons possessing * * * *emergency supplies* for the requisition of such commodities in case of emergency caused by enemy attack. Such commodities shall be paid for as are claims against the state provided for under s. 15.18 (8) upon presentation of the proper requisition forms prescribed by the director of purchases without regard to ch. 15.

SECTION 7. 343.251 of the statutes is amended to read:

343.251 Any person who shall wilfully wear the insignia, rosette, or badge or any imitation thereof, of the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, the Grand Army of the Republic, the United Spanish War Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the Military Order of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, the Disabled American Veterans, the Thirty-second Division Veteran Association, the American Veterans of World War II (AMVETS), or of the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks of the United States, Knights of Columbus, Odd Fellows, Free Masons, Knights of Pythias, or of any other society, order, or organization, operating under the lodge system, of 10 years standing in the state of Wisconsin, or of any duly incorporated fraternal, social, or service organization, *or of the office of civil defense* or shall wilfully use the same to obtain aid or assistance thereby within this state, or shall wilfully use the name of such society, order or organization, the titles of its officers, or its insignia, unless he shall be entitled to use or wear the same under the constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations thereof, shall be imprisoned not more than 30 days or fined not exceeding \$20, or both.

Approved July 14, 1953.
