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## CHAPTER 585

AN ACT to repeal sections 8 and 9; and to amend sections 4 and 13 of chapter 142, laws of 1951, relating to the granting of new trials and the compensation of an acting judge in, and the repeal of certain obsolete provisions pertaining to, the municipal court for Douglas county.

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

SECTION 1. Section 4 of chapter 142, laws of 1951, is amended to read:

(Chapter 142, laws of 1951) Section 4. Said judge shall file his oath of office and official bond in the manner and form as provided for justices of the peace. The person designated and elected as municipal judge of said court shall have the control and direction of the commencement of all actions, and of the proceedings therein, and in the event of sickness, disqualification arising from any cause, absence of such municipal judge, or whenever it shall be deemed necessary by said municipal judge, the duties of said office shall be performed by a justice of the peace *or a court commissioner* of said county, who shall be thereunto designated by said municipal judge, in writing, and when performing such duties said justice of the peace *or court commissioner* shall be officially designated as acting municipal judge of the municipal court of Douglas county, and he shall sign all papers, processes and records as "A. B., Justice of the Peace, Acting Municipal Judge", *or "A. B., Court Commissioner, Acting Municipal Judge"*; said acting municipal judge shall receive as compensation \* \* \* \$15 for each half day and \* \* \* \$25 for each whole day in lieu of fees, to be paid by the county treasurer of Douglas county upon the certificate of said municipal judge or the clerk of said court. Said county shall have the right to charge back to the city of Superior one-half of any money so paid. The salary of said municipal judge shall be fixed by resolution adopted by the county board of Douglas county and the city council of the city of Superior. Until so fixed said municipal judge shall receive as compensation a salary of \$3,000 per annum, \$1,500 to be paid in equal monthly installments from the treasury of Douglas county, \$1,500 to be paid in equal monthly installments from the treasury of the city of Superior and said \$3,000 to be in full payment of all his fees for cases arising out of said ordinances and the penal statutes of the state.

SECTION 2. Sections 8 and 9 of chapter 142, laws of 1951, are repealed.

SECTION 3. Section 13 of chapter 142, laws of 1951, is amended to read:

(Chapter 142, laws of 1951) Section 13. The judge or \* \* \* *acting judge* before whom any action has been tried in said court may in his discretion at any time within 20 days after judgment given in civil cases, upon his own motion or upon the motion of any party to the action, and all parties to the action who appear therein having had 3 days notice, set aside any verdict or judgment and modify or reverse any proceeding or judgment of said court and grant new trials for errors of law or fact.

Approved August 18, 1955.