

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 12, 1866.

CHAPTER 127.

[Published April 16, 1866.]

AN ACT to provide for a revision of the laws in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes.*

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

Governor may appoint commissioners to revise assessment and collection laws.

SECTION 1. The governor of this state is hereby authorized and required to appoint three commissioners for the purpose of revising the laws for the assessment and collection of taxes, which commissioners shall be appointed within one month after the passage of this act: *provided*, that if any commissioner so appointed shall refuse or neglect to act, or die, or become in any manner disqualified for the performance of his duties as such commissioner, the governor may fill the vacancy by appointment at any time.

When commissioners to enter upon their duties &c.

SECTION 2. The commissioners so appointed shall meet at such places as they may agree upon, not more than sixty days after the date of their appointment, to enter upon the discharge of their duties. Any two of said commissioners shall constitute a quorum, and they shall meet from time to time as the proper discharge of their duties hereby imposed may require.

To codify laws, and make report to next legislature.

SECTION 3. It shall be the duty of said commissioners to revise and codify the existing laws of this state in relation to the assessment and collection of taxes, and report the same to the legislature of the state at its next annual session; to report therewith such alterations and amendments as in their opinion are necessary to render said laws consistent throughout, and make their construction clear, definite and certain, and to report such changes and modifications and amendments as in their judgment will tend to secure greater uniformity, and prevent frauds and evasions in the assessment and collection of taxes. They may also,

May report new bill.

if in their opinion the objects aforesaid can be better secured thereby, report a bill as a substitute for the present laws for the assessment and collection of taxes, containing such provisions consistent with the constitution of this state and public economy, as they may deem best adapted to secure the objects aforesaid.

SECTION 4. The said commissioners shall have free access to the records and documents in the several departments of the state, and in the public offices of any county, city or town therein. They may investigate and report upon the workings of the existing laws in this state, and may examine into systems adopted, and the practical workings of the same, in other states, and seek from all available sources such information as will aid them in the performance of their duties.

To have free access to records, &c.

May examine systems adopted by other states.

SECTION 5. The said commissioners shall each receive as compensation, the sum of five dollars per day for each day actually employed in the performance of the duties aforesaid, and their actual necessary expenses incurred therein.

Compensation.

SECTION 6. The accounts of said commissioners for their services and expenses, shall be audited by the secretary of state, and paid from the state treasury; and there is hereby appropriated out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated, such sum as may be necessary for paying said accounts.

Appropriation

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 128.

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AN ACT to regulate the number of jurors to be drawn in this state.

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

SECTION 1. The number of names of persons selected by the several boards of supervisors in this state, to serve as petit jurors hereafter, shall be one hundred

Number of persons to be selected as jurors.