

When change of location not to affect assessment.

within this state, which is owned or leased by the owner of such logs and timber, shall be assessed as manufacturers' stock in the district where such mill may be located. Saw-logs, timber, railroad ties, lumber and other articles not being manufacturers' stock, shall be assessed where the owner or his agent, in the case aforesaid, resides. No change of location or sale of any personal property, after the first day of May in any year shall affect the assessment made in such year. As between school districts, the location of personal property for taxation shall be determined by the same rules as between assessment districts.

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

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CHAPTER 245.

AN ACT to amend section four hundred and ninety, four hundred and ninety-two, four hundred and ninety-three, four hundred and ninety-four and four hundred and ninety-six, of the revised statutes, relating to free high schools.

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

Amended.

Free high schools; how established, etc.

How question submitted.

Vote; how taken.

SECTION 1. Section four hundred and ninety of the revised statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 490. Any town or incorporated village or city or school district, which contains within its limits an incorporated village, or which has a graded school of not less than two departments, with not less than twenty-five pupils prepared to begin a high school course, may establish and maintain not exceeding two high schools, in the manner and with the privileges herein provided. The question of establishing such schools may be submitted by the town, school district, or village board, or common council, at any annual or duly called special meeting, or election, upon written resolution therefor, proposed for adoption: *provided*, notice of such purpose, embodying such resolution, be given in the manner provided for notifying a special district meeting, town meeting, or charter election. The vote shall be taken by ballot, and canvassed according to the statutes for conducting elections in such municipality, those ballots in favor, being written or printed "For high schools;" those opposed, "Against

high school." If the resolutions be adopted, such towns, school districts, village or city, shall constitute a high school district. But no city, incorporated village or school district in which a high school heretofore established has been reported, recognized and aided as a free high school, shall be required to take any vote on the resolution provided for in this section, but may continue to report and to receive aid on due compliance with the law in other respects.

Not to apply to cities, etc., having high schools.

SECTION 2. Section four hundred and ninety-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: But in all cities not under a county superintendent, which now constitutes free high school districts, or which shall hereafter adopt the resolution provided for in section four hundred and ninety and become free high school districts, the board of education in each such city shall be the high school board, and the city treasurer shall be *ex officio* the treasurer of the high school district, unless the board of education embraces a treasurer; and in all districts maintaining a graded school of not less than two departments which now constitute free high school districts, or which shall hereafter adopt said resolution, the district board in each such district shall be the high school board; and the district treasurer shall be the treasurer of the high school district.

Amendment.

When board of education to become high school board.

What to constitute free high school districts.

SECTION 3. Section four hundred and ninety-three of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following words: made by the city superintendent or clerk of the board of education.

Amendment.

SECTION 4. Section four hundred and ninety-four of the revised statutes is amended so as to read as follows: Section 494. All such high schools shall be free to all pupils resident in the district. Every principal of any high school hereafter elected or appointed shall be a graduate of some university, college or normal school, or shall pass an examination in the studies required to be taught in any such school, and the high school boards, or boards of education having charge of such schools, shall determine with the advice and consent of the state superintendent, the course of study and minimum standard of qualifications for admission to the same.

Amended.

High schools to be free to pupils residing in the district.

Principal to be a graduate and pass examination.

Board to determine course of study.

SECTION 5. Section four hundred and ninety-six of the revised statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 496. Any high school district which shall have established a free high school according to the provisions of these statutes, and shall have

Amendment.

High school entitled to receive state aid.

Duty of school authorities.

Duty of state superintendent.

State aid limited.

Secretary of state to apportion amount with state taxes.

maintained the same for not less than three months in any school year, shall be entitled to receive from the general fund of the state, during the first five years after such high school is established, one-half the amount actually expended for instruction in the high school of such district during such school year, over and above the amount required by law to be expended for common school purposes, but not to exceed in one year five hundred dollars to one district. To obtain such aid, the high school board, or, in cities not under a county superintendent, the president and secretary of the board of education, and the treasurer, shall, on or before the first day of November, report in duplicate to the state superintendent, under their oaths, the amount actually expended for such instruction during the previous school year, specifying the several items thereof, with the date and object of each, fully. Thereupon the state superintendent shall fix the amount to be paid such high school district, and certify the same to the secretary of state, with one of such reports annexed. On such certificate, at any time after the first day of December, the same shall be paid to the district treasurer out of the state treasury; but the whole amount so paid shall not exceed the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars in any one year; and if more be demanded by such districts, they shall be paid proportionally. The secretary of state shall annually include and apportion in the state tax all such sums as shall have been so paid, in addition to all other sums to be levied for the year.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 246.

AN ACT to amend section four thousand and forty-nine of chapter one hundred and seventy-five, revised statutes, relating to appeals and miscellaneous provisions.

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

Time and place of hearing may be made returnable at special terms.

SECTION 1. Section four thousand and forty-nine of chapter one hundred and seventy-five of the revised statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows;