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CHAPTER 79.

AN ACT to amend section 449, of chapter 27, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 327, general laws of 1885, and section 450, of chapter 27, of the revised statutes, entitled, "of common schools."

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

SECTION 1. Section 449, of chapter 27, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 327, general laws of 1885, is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 449. There are hereby established three grades of teachers' certificates, to be known as certificates of the first, second and third grades. Each certificate shall show the branches in which the holder has been examined, and his relative attainments in each branch. No person shall receive any certificate who is known to the examining officer to be of immoral character, who is deficient in learning or ability to teach, or who does not write and speak the English language with facility and correctness.

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SECTION 2. Section 450, of chapter 27, of the revised statutes, entitled, "of common schools," is hereby amended to read as follows: Section 450. Every applicant for a certificate shall be examined in the subjects hereinafter mentioned for the several grades respectively as follows: For the third grade, in orthoepy, orthography, reading, penmanship, arithmetic, English grammar, geography, the history of the United States, the constitution of the United States, the constitution of the state of Wisconsin, physiology and hygiene, with special reference to the effects of stimulants and narcotics upon the human system, and the theory and art of teaching. For the second grade in all the foregoing, and also in grammatical analysis, physiology, physical geography and elementary algebra. For the first grade in all the foregoing, and also in higher algebra, natural philosophy and geometry, and if found qualified, shall receive the certificate appropriate to his grade. A third

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grade certificate shall entitle the holder to teach for such period, not more than one year, as may be specified therein, in any town in the superintendent district in which he is examined, except that it may be limited by the county superintendent to any town or school district therein. A second grade certificate shall entitle the holder to teach in any town in such superintendent district, and be in force two years from its date. A first grade certificate shall entitle the holder to teach in any town in such superintendent district, and be in force four years from its date; but the county superintendent may limit the same to one year, and remove the limitation upon satisfactory evidence that the holder has successfully taught a public school in this state for at least six months. Whenever any person has passed a satisfactory examination by any county superintendent of any county in this state, and obtained a certificate of either grade herein provided for, and shall pur-
pose to teach in any other county in this state, it shall be lawful for the superintendent holding the papers written, upon the request of any county superintendent, to transfer to the superintendent requesting the same, the papers written at the examination at which the certificate was obtained, and if found satisfactory, a certificate thereon may be issued, to be co-terminus with the original certificate, in the discretion of the county superintendent, of the proper grade, to the same effect as though the applicant had been examined by the superintendent in person.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

NOTE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.—The foregoing act, having been presented to the governor for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of the legislature in which it originated, within the time prescribed by the constitution of the state, has become a law without his approval.

March 22, 1887.

ERNST G. TIMME,
Secretary of State.