

[No. 417, A.]

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CHAPTER 293.

AN ACT relating to the township system of school government, and to amend sections 521, 525, 537 and 547, of chapter 27, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of common schools," as amended by chapter 297, of the general laws of 1887.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 521, 525, 537 and 547, of chapter 27, of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 297, of the general laws of 1887, are hereby amended to read as follows: Section 521. The said board shall hold two regular meetings in each year. The first regular meeting shall be designated the annual meeting, shall occur upon the second Monday in July in each year, and be held at, or as near as may be, the place where the last annual election was held. The second regular meeting shall be designated the semi-annual meeting, shall occur on the third Monday in March in each year, and be held at such place as the board may designate by rule, or at the preceding annual meeting. The hour of meeting shall be ten o'clock in the forenoon. Section 525. Said board shall, at the regular meeting in March, annually estimate and determine the amount of money which will be necessary for the support of schools, and for the building and repairing of school-houses in the town, for the year beginning on the first day of July next following. Section 537. It shall be the duty of the secretary on or before the first day of August in each year, to make and transmit to the county superintendent a report in writing bearing date on the first day of August in the year of its transmission, stating:

1. The whole number of subdistricts separately set off within the town, and the number of parts of joint subdistricts in which the school-houses belonging thereto are located in his town.

2. The subdistricts and parts of subdistricts from which reports shall have been made within the time limited for that purpose.

Amending section 521, revised statutes.

Meeting of board, time changed.

Amending section 525, revised statutes.

When to make estimates.

Amending section 537, revised statutes.

Secretary to transmit, reported to county superintendent.

What to state.

3. The length of time a school shall have been taught in each of said subdistricts or parts of districts by a qualified teacher.

4. The number of children taught in each, and the number of children over the age of four and under the age of twenty years, residing in each, designating males and females separately.

5. The whole amount of money received in the town for school purposes since the date of the last preceding report, setting forth separately the amount received from the state through the county treasurer, the amount levied by the county board, and the amount raised by the town at its annual town meeting or general election.

Amending section 547, revised statutes.

In subdistrict composed of two or more towns, who to control.

Duties of board.

6. The manner in which said money has been expended, and whether any, or what part remains unexpended, with such other information as the state superintendent may from time to time require. Section 547. When a subdistrict is composed of parts of two or more towns the board of directors of the town in which the school-house is situated shall have the entire control of said subdistrict, and shall maintain school therein as in other subdistricts; and the clerk of such joint subdistricts shall be a member of the board of directors of said town. At the annual meeting in July, the board of directors shall calculate and determine the cost of maintaining the schools in said joint subdistrict, for the year ending on the last day of June preceding the meeting of the board, and the secretary shall certify such amount to the secretary of the board of each town embraced in part in such joint subdistrict, together with the assessed valuation of said subdistrict, and each part thereof, as found in the assessment roll of the said town for that year; on the receipt of such certificate, the secretary of the board of directors of each of said towns shall draw an order on the treasurer of his town in favor of the town in which the school-house of said joint subdistrict is situated, for such a proportion of the whole cost of maintaining said school as aforesaid, as the assessed value of the property of his town, embraced in said joint subdistrict is to the whole valuation thereof; unless the proportion of such school district taxes to be assessed in each such town shall have been ascertained, as provided in section 471, in which case he shall draw

his order for such proportion; and said order shall be paid out of any money in the hands of said treasurer collected or received by him for the support of schools in his town.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.
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CHAPTER 294.

AN ACT to amend sections 2426 and 2535, of the revised statutes, relating to circuit courts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2426 of the revised statutes of this state is hereby amended by adding thereto as follows: "The presiding judge of any circuit court may, in his discretion, by an order entered in the clerk's office before the jurors for any term of the circuit court are summoned, fix a time after the first day of the term, at which they shall appear before said court. In all cases where a time after the first day of the term shall be fixed by such judge for the appearance of the jurors, said court may, on the first day of the term proceed to the trial of the issues of fact to be tried by the court, and the issues of law on the calendar of such term." So that said section when amended shall read as follows: Section 2426. The presiding judge of any circuit may, by an order entered and recorded in the clerk's office, appoint one extra jury term of court to be holden in any county in his circuit, when he shall deem such term necessary to complete the jury trials in such county during any year, and may cause jurors therefor to be drawn and summoned as for other terms. At such term the same business may be transacted as at a regular term for such county. The presiding judge of any circuit court may, in his discretion, by an order entered in the

Amending section 2535, revised statutes.

Judge may fix time for jurors to appear after first day of term.