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CHAPTER 235.

AN ACT to amend section 2, of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to limit the rate of taxation in counties and towns."

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

Total taxes not to exceed two and one-half per cent. of assessed valuation, except as provided.

SECTION 1. Section 2, of chapter 293, of the laws of 1895, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Subdivision 1, of section 776, of Sanborn and Berryman's annotated statutes of the state of Wisconsin, is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "town," in the third line of said section and inserting the following, to-wit: Provided, however, that the total taxes levied in any town, for any one year, for all town purposes, exclusive of school taxes, and judgments against the town which have been heretofore or may hereafter be recovered on account of personal injuries sustained by reason of defective highway, shall not exceed, in the whole, two and one-half per centum of the total assessed valuation of such town for the preceding year, as equalized by the county board of equalization, unless the town board shall certify in writing that a larger sum is needed to repair unusual damages done to bridges or highways by fire or flood, in which case the electors may vote and the proper authorities may levy not to exceed one per cent. in addition to the aforesaid two and one-half per cent., so that said section, when so amended, shall read as follows: 1. To vote to raise money for the repair and building of roads or bridges, or either; for the support of the poor and defraying all other charges and expenses of the town; provided, however, that the total

taxes levied in any town, for any one year, for all town purposes, exclusive of school taxes, and judgments against the town which have been heretofore or may hereafter be recovered on account of personal injuries sustained by reason of defective highway, shall not exceed in the whole, two and one-half per centum of the total assessed valuation of such town, for the preceding year, as equalized by the county board of equalization, unless the town board shall certify in writing that a larger sum is needed to repair unusual damages done to bridges or highways by fire or flood, in which case the electors may vote and the proper authorities may levy not to exceed one per cent, in addition to the aforesaid two and one-half per cent.

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

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No. 121, S.]

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CHAPTER 236.

AN ACT relating to notice in cases where damages are claimed on account of a defective road, and amendatory of section 1339, of chapter 52, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1339, of the revised statutes of Wisconsin, is hereby amended by striking out the word "ninety," in the seventeenth line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof

Relating to
damage for
defective high-
ways.