Biennial period defined. Section 3. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, the biennial period shall be considered hereafter to begin at twelve o'clock noon on the first Monday of January in each odd-numbered year and end at twelve o'clock noon on the first Monday in January in the next succeeding odd-numbered year.

Existing laws not repealed. Section 4. Nothing in this act shall be construed to repeal any portion of any existing law now requiring reports to be made by the secretary of state.

Section 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 369.

AN ACT to provide for lighting the capitol building and grounds with electric light, and to provide for a heat-regulating system in the capitol building and making an appropriation therefor.

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

Governor to contract for systems. Section 1. The governor is hereby instructed to contract for the lighting of the capitol building and park by electricity, and the installation of a complete electric lighting plant, to be operated in connection with the heating system of the capitol building and to furnish the light for the capitol building and grounds. And also to contract for a heat-regulating and ventilating system for the senate chamber, the assembly chamber and for the officers [offices] and committee rooms in the capitol building.

Appropriation. Section 2. There is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the provisions of this act.

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

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