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CHAPTER 438.

AN ACT to limit the number, prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the officers and employees of the legislature.

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

Duty and salary of chief clerks. SECTION 1. The chief clerks of the senate and assembly, respectively, elected at the beginning of every regular session of the legislature, shall perform such duties as are now by law and custom devolved upon those officers, including direct supervision by each of all of the clerical work for the house of which he is the chief clerk. The compensation of each shall be eight hundred dollars for the full term of a regular session, and, in case of service at an extra or special session, ten dollars a day for such service; and for service at the opening of a regular session, fifty dollars.

Duty and salary of sergeants-at-arms. SECTION 2. The sergeants-at-arms of the senate and assembly, elected at the beginning of every regular session of the legislature, shall perform such duties as are now by law and custom devolved upon those officers, including direct supervision by each of the work of the assistants, doorkeepers, postmaster, document room and gallery attendants, janitors and messengers of the house of which he is sergeant-at-arms. His compensation shall be six hundred dollars for the full term of a regular session, and in case of service at an extra or special session, seven dollars a day for such service.

Clerical force of senate; duties and compensation of. SECTION 3. The chief clerk of the senate is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint, at the beginning of a regular session of the legislature, subordinates, as follows, for the performance of the labor and duties now by custom devolved upon such employees or as indicated herein, whose compensation shall be as stated. One journal clerk and proof-reader, whose duties shall be such as are expressed in this designation, and who shall act as chief clerk in the temporary absence of the chief clerk, his compensation shall be five dollars a day; one bookkeeper and index clerk, whose duties shall be such as are expressed in this desig-

nation, his compensation shall be five dollars a day; one general clerk, who shall assist the chief clerk and perform such other duties as may be assigned him by the chief clerk, his compensation shall be four dollars a day; one engrossing clerk, who shall be an expert stenographer and typewriter, who shall have immediate charge of the engrossment in typewritten copies of all papers ordered to be engrossed, and the comparing of such copies with their originals in conjunction with the clerk of the committee on engrossed bills; he shall have the custody of all papers committed to him until the same may be delivered to the chief clerk, and shall be the custodian of the engrossing room, his compensation shall be five dollars a day; one typewriter for the engrossing room, his compensation shall be four dollars a day; two stenographers and typewriters for the assistance of senators in the preparation of bills, resolutions and other papers pertaining to the work of the legislature, the compensation of each shall be four dollars a day; one enrolling clerk, who shall have direct charge of the enrollment of bills and resolutions and of the comparing of the copies with the originals in conjunction with the clerk of the committee on enrolled bills, he shall have the custody of all papers committed to him until the same may be delivered to the chief clerk and shall be the custodian of the enrolling room, his compensation shall be four dollars a day; two enrolling copyists, each of whom shall be paid three dollars a day; one clerk for the committee on judiciary, who shall be an expert stenographer and typewriter, his compensation shall be five dollars a day; one clerk for the committee on engrossed bills, one clerk for the committee on enrolled bills, one clerk for the joint committee on claims, one clerk for the committee on bills on their third reading, and five other clerks for detail by the chief clerk for the service of other committees as such service may be needed, each of these several committee clerks shall also attend upon the committee room to which the committee or committees for which he is the clerk may be assigned, the compensation of each shall be three dollars a day.

Force of sergeant-at-arms of senate; salary and duties of. SECTION 4. The sergeant-at-arms of the senate is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint, at the beginning of a regular session of the legislature, subordinates, as follows, for the performance of the labor or duties now by law and custom devolved upon such employees or as are herein indicated, whose compensation shall be as stated: One assistant sergeant-at-arms, his compensation shall be five dollars a day; one postmaster, his compensation shall be four dollars a day; one custodian of the

document room, he shall receive and superintend the distribution and filing by messengers of all the printed matter for the senate and the mailing of such as may be required by law to be mailed and shall issue to the members, under the direction of the sergeant-at-arms, the stationery received by the latter from the superintendent of public property for the use of the senate, his compensation shall be four dollars a day; one policeman, one gallery policeman, one night watchman and one night laborer, each of whom shall receive three dollars a day, the gallery policeman shall co-operate with the assembly gallery policeman in the discharge of the duties of flagman; the night watchman and night laborer shall sweep, clean and otherwise put the chamber and adjoining rooms in order for the succeeding day's sessions; six messengers, each of whom shall be paid two dollars a day.

Clerical force of assembly. SECTION 5. The chief clerk of the assembly is hereby authorized to appoint, at the beginning of a regular session of the legislature, the same number of clerks, with the same designations and for the performance of like duties, the compensation of each of whom shall be the same for the same kind of work, as are provided for the senate by section 3 of this act, and in addition thereto the following: A second general clerk for the assistance of the chief clerk in the desk and otherwise, who shall be paid four dollars a day; one stenographer and typewriter for the engrossing room, who shall be paid four dollars a day; a third stenographer and typewriter for the assistance of members in the preparation of legislative matter, who shall be paid four dollars a day; one additional enrolling copyist, who shall be paid three dollars and fifty cents a day.

Force of sergeant-at-arms of assembly. SECTION 6. The sergeant-at-arms of the assembly is hereby authorized to appoint, at the beginning of each regular session of the legislature, the same number of subordinates, with the same designations and for the performance of like duties, the compensation of each of whom shall be the same for the same kind of work, as are provided for the senate by section 4 of this act, and in addition thereto the following: A second assistant sergeant-at-arms, who shall be paid four dollars a day; one assistant to the attendant upon the document and stationery room, who shall be paid three dollars a day; six messengers, each of whom shall be paid two dollars a day.

Additional help. SECTION 7. After the expiration of thirty days of such regular session the chief clerk of either house may

appoint not to exceed two more stenographers and typewriters and three more enrolling copyists for the senate, and three more stenographers and typewriters and five more enrolling copyists for the assembly, and such additional stenographers and typewriters and copyists, or any of them, shall be so employed only so long as their services respectively may be needed as such, the compensation of each of such additional stenographers and typewriters shall be four dollars a day and of each of such additional copyist three dollars a day.

Changes in duties of clerks; payment of. SECTION 8. For the convenience and the expeditious transaction of the business of the legislature, the chief clerk of either house may, from time to time, make such temporary changes in the assignments of his respective assistants and subordinates as will in his judgment best accomplish these objects; and for like reason and purpose the sergeant-at-arms of either house may make temporary changes in the regular assignments of his assistants and subordinates, and may assign messengers for service in committee rooms. No employees for the legislature other than those provided for by this act shall be paid except by an act of the legislature, and payment of the salaries and per diem provided for in this act shall be made on the warrants of the secretary of state as now provided by law for such services. The typewriters employed under this act shall furnish their typewriting machines without cost to the state.

Conflicting laws repealed. SECTION 9. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 10. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after its passage and publication.

Approved May 15, 1901.