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CHAPTER 308.

AN ACT to create section 1979m of the statutes, to appropriate a certain sum of money to the firemen's associations of Wisconsin.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section to read: Section 1979m. 1. On or before the first day of July of each year the secretary of each firemen's association in Wisconsin, may file with the secretary of state a verified, itemized statement of all moneys disbursed by the association during the twelve months ending the preceding first day of September, including separately a statement of all moneys disbursed for prizes and premiums in competition and contests held by such association during such twelve months.

2. On or before the first day of August of each year there shall be paid to the treasurer of each association filing such statement, and having held during the year a firemen's tournament actually participated in by companies from not less than five cities or villages in the state, and having previously held at least five annual tournaments, a sum equal to fifty per cent. of the amount disbursed by said association for prizes and premiums in all competitions and contests held by such association during the twelve months ending on such first day of September.

3. Nothing contained in this section shall authorize a payment of a sum exceeding six hundred dollars to such associations in any year, and if said sum is insufficient to pay said claims in full, the same shall be paid pro rata.

4. There is hereby annually appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

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