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CHAPTER 321.

AN ACT to confer certain additional powers upon the board of supervisors of counties having a population of two hundred and fifty thousand or more.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby conferred upon the county board of every county having, or that shall hereafter have, a population of two hundred and fifty thousand or more, according to the last state or United States census, in addition to the powers otherwise conferred, the following powers to-wit:

(1). To acquire by gift, grant, devise, donation, purchase, contract, or condemnation any lands within such county, for the purpose of establishing public grounds, driveways, parkways or parks, and providing suitable sites for a courthouse or other public buildings and public grounds or parks in connection therewith, and for other public purposes; and in any such manner and for any such purpose, to acquire title in fee simple in any such lands. Lands for parks or other public grounds may be acquired in the manner provided by sections 694c, 694d and 694e of the statutes; and driveways and parkways may be acquired and laid out in the manner provided for laying out other county highways; or as otherwise provided.

(2). To sell, dispose of, and convey any such lands acquired and owned by the county, or interest therein, when the same or such interest shall be deemed not required for public use.

(3). To establish, layout, make, alter, improve, and repair county parks, parkways, and driveways and to establish and adopt a general plan or system therefor, with the assistance and approval of the county park commission: to establish and alter the grade of any such parkway or driveway; to make any public improvements therein and to provide for the cleaning, sprinkling and proper care thereof and the proper care and improvement of county parks and other public grounds; to determine and assess and collect or pay any damages or benefits resulting to the owners of abutting property by reason of any such laying out, making, altering, improving or repairing of any such driveway or parkway; to employ and

compensate as superintendent of such work any person who has been recommended as qualified therefor by the State Highway Commission or the County Park Commission; and to employ or contract with others for the execution thereof; and to provide funds by taxation or by the issuance of county bonds subject to the restrictions expressed in section 658 of the statutes, therefor.

(4). To provide by ordinance for the determination and assessment and the collection and payment of damages and benefits to the owners of property abutting on any parkway or driveway established, laid out, made, altered, improved or repaired resulting from establishing, laying out, making, altering, improving or repairing the same; provided that in no event shall such abutting property owners be liable for benefits in excess of one third of the actual proportionate cost thereof.

(5) To prohibit and prevent the incumbering in any manner of streets, highways, driveways, parkways, parks or other public grounds established or maintained by such county, the improper and injurious use thereof, and the running at large of animals and racing or immoderate riding or driving therein, and to reasonably regulate the use thereof.

(6). To prevent, suppress and prohibit riots, affrays, the use of weapons or discharge of fire arms, assaults, profane or abusive language, noises, disturbances, cock-fighting, malicious trespasses and injuries to person or property, disorderly assemblages, disorderly conduct, and breaches of the peace; and to suppress and restrain disorderly houses and houses of ill fame, and prostitution.

(7). To prevent, suppress and prohibit gaming, gambling, cheats, frauds and fraudulent devices and practices of every nature and description; and to authorize the destruction of all instruments and devices used for the purpose of gaming, gambling, cheating or defrauding.

(8). To prohibit and abate public nuisances and to describe and define what shall be deemed to constitute such nuisances.

(9). To make, enact, ordain, establish, publish and enforce, alter, modify, amend and repeal all such ordinances as shall be necessary, expedient, or convenient, to the exercise and carrying into effect of all the powers hereby conferred, and therein to declare and impose penalties or punishment, for the violation thereof, and to provide for the enforcement of the same against any person or persons who may violate any of

the provisions of any such ordinance; and all such ordinances are hereby declared to be and have the force of law, provided that they be not repugnant to the constitution of the United States or of this state. Such ordinances shall be written in the ordinary form of legislative enactments commencing as follows: "The County Board of Supervisors of..... County does ordain as follows:" and they shall take effect and be in force within the county enacting the same, upon their being passed by the vote of a majority of all the members of the board of supervisors of such county, at any legal meeting thereof and their publication in the proceedings of said board and in such newspaper published in said county as said board shall prescribe.

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

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CHAPTER 322.

AN ACT to amend section 1494t—3 of the statutes, and to create section 1494t—3m, of the statutes, relating to the powers of the state park board

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

SECTION 1. Section 1494t—3 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 1494t—3. The director of the state geological survey and the state forester shall meet with such state park board at all of their meetings, when required by said board, and shall consult with and advise said board on all matters as requested by said board. * * *

SECTION 2. There is added to the statutes a new section to read: Section 1494t—3m. 1. The said board shall have charge and supervision of all lands that the state may acquire for parks, and the supervision of all state parks except in so far as said supervision has been or may be by law placed in other persons or boards.

2. The board shall have power to lay out and ornament any state park and to govern and manage the same, and to lay out and construct all proper roads and bridges therein, grant rights to permit people to camp, and use the state parks under the restrictions and rules made by said park board, and to make such rules and regulations with the gov-