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CHAPTER 649.

AN ACT to create sections 419b, 419c, 419d, 419e, 419f, 419g and 419h of the statutes, relating to the consolidation of school districts.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes seven new sections to read: Section 419b. Whenever an application in writing, signed by at least one-third of the legal voters in each of two or more school districts, shall be filed with the chairman of a town board of supervisors or the president of a village board of trustees or mayor of the city in which any part of such whole or joint school districts are situated requesting the town board or boards of supervisors, or the town board or boards of supervisors and the village board of trustees or city council of any of the municipalities included wholly or in part within the boundaries of such school districts, to call a meeting of the town board or boards of supervisors, or the town board or boards of supervisors and the village board of trustees or city council, to consider the question of altering the boundaries of such school districts and forming in lieu thereof one consolidated school district, it shall be the duty of the officer with whom such application or petition has been filed, to fix a time for the meeting of the town board or boards of supervisors, or the town board of supervisors and the village trustees for a meeting of the town board of supervisors or for a joint meeting of the town boards of supervisors or town boards of supervisors and the village board of trustees, or city council, in which any part of such whole or joint school district may be situated, which time shall not be less than ten nor more than twenty days after the presentation to such officers of such petition or application.

Section 419c. The officers to whom the application or petition is presented shall cause a written notice of the time and place of such meeting to be given to each supervisor, member of the council, or member of the village board of trustees, entitled to be present at such meeting, and to the clerk of each school district affected by the proposed change, which notice shall be served at least five days prior to the date fixed therefor, such meeting shall be held at the schoolhouse, or some convenient place within the boundaries of the proposed consolidated school district. If the town board of supervisors or the town boards of supervisors, or the town board or boards of supervisors and the

village board of trustees in which any part of the said school district shall be situated, shall by joint vote favor the consolidation of such school districts, they shall make an order to that effect, which order shall be duly filed in the office of the town clerk or village clerk of each of the towns or towns and village in which the school districts may wholly or in part lie, and thereafter such consolidated school district shall for all purposes whatsoever be considered one school district.

Section 419d. If the officers upon whom the application shall be served shall refuse or neglect to fix the time and the place, or to give the notices for the meeting as provided in this act, or if the board of supervisors or the board of village trustees, or city council, or a majority thereof of any town, towns or village, or cities, in any way interested in or affected by the proposed change, shall neglect or refuse to hear and to vote upon the application before them, or if a majority of the town board of supervisors or town boards of supervisors or village board of trustees shall refuse to attend such meeting, then the application shall be deemed denied, and any person feeling himself aggrieved by the action taken by the town board of supervisors and trustees of the village, under the provisions of this act, may appeal therefrom to the state superintendent in a similar manner and with like effect as in other cases.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 155.)

Section 419e. In case two or more school districts shall be ordered consolidated under the provisions of this act, and in case the electors and school board of such consolidated school district shall maintain during any school year a first class, or free high school, and the grades below a free high school, and the electors of such consolidated school district shall direct the school board to transport all persons of school age living more than two miles from the school in such district, that may desire to attend school, then the state may repay to such school district ten cents per day for each such person living more than two miles from school, the distance to be measured by the nearest traveled highway, that was so transported to and attended school regularly for at least six months during such said school years.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 163.)

Section 419f. In case the electors of any such consolidated school district shall desire to take advantage of the provisions of this act relating to transportation, they may make arrangement with the parents, guardians or other persons to transport such children as may live more than two miles from school; providing, that such parents, guardians or other persons shall pro-

vide for the transportation of the children a comfortable and convenient bus or wagon well supplied with protection against inclement weather, and shall actually transport or provide for the transportation of such children to the school for at least six months.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 155.)

Section 419g. Any board of the consolidated school district entitled to aid under the provisions of this act shall, on or before the 15th day of July in each school year, make under oath a report to the state superintendent giving the name of each pupil transported more than two miles, the number of days each such pupil was transported, the mode of transportation, and the total amount claimed by the district on account of all pupils residing more than two miles from school for whom transportation or transportation and tuition have been paid. Upon receipt of such report the state superintendent shall certify to the secretary of state the amount due such district, and the secretary of state shall thereupon issue a warrant in favor of such district, for such amount which shall be paid by the state treasurer to the treasurer of the district from the school funds provided for by section 1072s of the statutes.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 155.)

Section 419h. To carry out the provisions of this act there is hereby appropriated annually, out of the moneys assessed and collected under the provisions of chapter 313, laws of 1903, amending section 1072a of the statutes of 1898, a sum sufficient to meet all the approved claims coming under the provisions of this act.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 155.)

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

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CHAPTER 650.

AN ACT to create sections 94—1 to 94—39, inclusive, and sections 62m and 62n of the statutes, and to amend sections 62, 66 and 78 of the statutes, relating to corrupt practices at primaries and elections, and candidates and issues to be voted for therein, and making an appropriation therefor.

(Am. 1911, c. 664, s. 156.)

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes thirty-nine new sections to read: Section 94—1. The following words and