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CHAPTER 74.

AN ACT to amend section 16 of chapter 459 of the laws of 1907, as amended by chapter 369, laws of 1909, as amended by chapter 97, laws of 1911, as amended by chapter 614, laws of 1917, as amended by chapter 5, laws of 1918, as amended by chapter 46, laws of 1919, relating to school boards and common and high schools in cities of the first class.

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

SECTION 1. Section 16 of chapter 459, laws of 1907, as amended by chapter 369, laws of 1909, as amended by chapter 97, laws of 1911, as amended by chapter 614, laws of 1917, as amended by chapter 5, laws of 1918, as amended by chapter 46, laws of 1919, is amended to read: (Ch. 459, laws of 1907) Section 16. 1. The said board shall report to the common council of each city under this act, at or before the first meeting of the council in September in each year, the amount of money required for the next fiscal year for the support of all public schools in said city including high schools, and it shall be the duty of the said common council to levy and collect a tax upon all the property subject to taxation in said city, at the same time and in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected by law, which, together with the other funds provided by law, and placed at the disposal of the said city for the same purposes, shall be equal to the amount of money so required by the said board of school directors for school purposes, as provided in this act; the said board shall also report to the common council, at the same time as above, the amount of money required for the next fiscal year for the repair and keeping in order of school buildings, fixtures and the repair of broken or worn-out furniture, the making of material betterments to school property and the purchase of the necessary additions to school sites, in accordance with the provisions of this act, and it shall be the duty of the said common council to levy and collect a tax upon all the real and personal property in said city subject to taxation, at the same time and in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected by law, which shall be equal to the amount of money so required by the said board of school directors for the said purposes, as provided in this act; provided, that the tax so levied upon each dollar of the assessed valuation of all property, real and personal, in said city, subject to taxation, shall not in any

one year, exceed four (4) mills on the dollar of the total assessed valuation of all property, real and personal, in such city, subject to taxation, for the support of all schools, and three tenths (.3) of a mill upon the dollar of the total assessed valuation of all property, real and personal, in such city, subject to taxation, for the repair and keeping in order of school buildings, fixtures, grounds and fences, the purchase of school furniture and the repair of broken or worn-out furniture, the making of material betterments to school property and the purchase of necessary additions to school sites, and the said taxes for the purposes named in this section shall be in addition to the ten (10) mill tax provided for by law for other city purposes. The said tax and the entire school fund of the city shall not be used or appropriated, directly or indirectly, for any other purpose than the payment of the salaries of the superintendent of schools and his legally authorized assistants, the secretary of the school board, and legally qualified teachers whose appointments are confirmed by said board and such employes as the board may deem necessary, the necessary and current expenses of the schools, including the purchase of school supplies, apparatus, fuel, gas, electricity or electrical power, and such other school purchases and purposes as may be required for the proper maintenance and administration of the schools.

2. All moneys received by or raised in such city for school purposes shall be paid over to the city treasurer, to be disbursed by him on the orders of the president and the secretary of said board, countersigned by the city comptroller; provided, that the president, instead of signing each order, may certify on the pay rolls furnished by the secretary to the comptroller to the fact that the amounts therein are correct as allowed by said board. Provided, that the board of school directors may provide by resolution for the payment of all persons employed by said board in the service of the city upon monthly pay rolls, and the manner in which the same shall be certified, audited and approved, and payment made thereon, and such pay rolls shall in all cases be certified by the president and the secretary and the finance committee of said board of school directors, and countersigned by the city comptroller of such city.

3. The said board of school directors shall, * * * *annually* determine and fix a minimum salary for all teachers in the common or graded schools of such city, subject to the jurisdiction of said board, of not less than nine hundred dollars for a period of teaching service not to exceed two hundred days in any one year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 75.

To create sections 925n—1 to 925n—14, inclusive, of the statutes, relating to the organization and government of cities under the city manager plan.

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

SECTION 1. Fourteen new sections are added to the statutes to read: Section 925n—1. 1. Any city of the second, third, or fourth class may reorganize under the provisions of sections 925n—1 to 925n—14, inclusive, by proceeding in the manner prescribed by sections 925—3, 925—3m, 925—3n, 925—3o, 925—4, and 925—5 of the statutes, relative to the adoption of the general charter law.

2. When adopted in the manner hereinbefore provided, the provisions of sections 925n—1 to 925n—14, inclusive, shall take effect and become operative on the third Tuesday in April.

Section 925n—2. 1. Any law applicable to any city before its reorganization and not inconsistent with the provisions of sections 925n—1 to 925n—14, inclusive, shall apply to and govern such reorganized city.

2. Any by-law, ordinance, or resolution lawfully passed and in force in any such city at the time of its reorganization shall remain in force until altered or repealed by the council elected under the provisions of sections 925n—1 to 925n—14, inclusive.

3. The territorial limits of such city shall remain the same as under its former organization.

4. All rights and property of every description which were vested in such city under its former organization shall remain the same under the reorganization here contemplated.

5. No right or liability either in favor of or against such reorganized city, and no suit or prosecution of any kind shall be affected by such change of government unless otherwise provided.

Section 925n—3. 1. Every ordinance or resolution for the adoption of sections 925n—1 to 925n—14, inclusive, and every petition for a special election on the same, shall state the number of members of which the council herein provided for shall be composed, the term of office of its members, which term shall not exceed two years, whether they shall be nominated and