

take the acknowledgment of an instrument executed by or to a bank or other corporation of which he is a stockholder, director, officer, or employe, where such notary is a party to such instrument, either individually or as a representative of such corporation, or to protest any negotiable instrument owned or held for collection by such corporation, where such notary is individually a party to such instrument.

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

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CHAPTER 168.

AN ACT to amend paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 201.59 and section 201.595 of the statutes, relating to the fire department dues and their collection.

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

SECTION 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 201.59 and section 201.595 of the statutes are amended to read: (201.59) (1) (a) Every city or village or town containing an unincorporated village, having or maintaining a regularly organized fire department, as hereinafter provided, shall be entitled, for the support and maintenance of such fire department, to two per centum upon the amount of all premiums which, during the year or part of a year ending on the next preceding first day of January, shall have been received by, or shall have been agreed to be paid to any company or insurer, or agent thereof, for any insurance effected, or agreed to be effected, or promised by such company, insurer or agent thereof, *including property exempt from taxation*, against loss or injury by fire in any such city or village, or within a radius of one mile from the location of any fire department in any town containing an unincorporated village; such dues to be payable as provided in section 200.17. Any such city, village or town which by agreement furnishes fire protection to another city, village or town shall be entitled to the same dues from the premiums for fire insurance on property in such other city or village if any part thereof is within a radius of two miles from the location of a regular fire station, and on property in such town within two miles of a regular fire station; provided that a certified copy of the contract, ordinances or resolutions constituting the agreement shall

be filed with the commissioner of insurance, together with a certificate of the industrial commission that the fire department of the city, village or town furnishing the protection has sufficient equipment to afford the agreed protection without endangering property within its own limits, and equipment of such a character as to be practical and effective for use over the highways and under the conditions in the contract territory.

201.595 (1) The owner of any property situated in any city, village or town in this state * * * *including property exempt from taxation* shall, upon demand of the commissioner of insurance, furnish to such commissioner a statement verified by affidavit showing the description and location of the property, the amount of insurance he has effected against loss or damage by fire, the number of the policy or policies, * * * the name and location of the company or companies issuing such policy or policies, *and the premiums paid, or if he has not insured his property the amount paid into or credited to any insurance fund or other reserve against loss or damage by fire.* If any such statement shall not be made as above required, said commissioner shall cause a demand in writing to be served on the company, corporation, association, individual or individuals so failing to make such sworn statement. Every such company, corporation, association, individual or individuals who shall wilfully make false statement or who shall, for thirty days after such demand, neglect to render such statement shall forfeit fifty dollars and an additional fifty dollars for each day's neglect after the expiration of said thirty days.

(2) If such statement discloses that insurance has been effected in any company not authorized to do business in this state *or that such owner carried his own insurance* the commissioner shall and he is hereby authorized and empowered to collect from such property owner an amount equal to two per centum of the annual premium which authorized insurance companies would have charged for insuring such property. Such percentage may be recovered in a civil action brought in the name of the state, and when recovered it shall be payable as fire department dues as provided in section 201.59 to the respective cities, villages and towns entitled to the same.

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

Approved May 25, 1933.