SECTION 2. This act shall take effect September 1, 1947. Approved August 18, 1947.

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CHAPTER 545.

AN ACT to amend 73.02 (2) of the statutes, relating to the commissioner of taxation.

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

73.02 (2) of the statutes, as amended by chapter 332, laws of 1947, is amended to read:

73.02 (2) The governor by and with the advice and consent of the senate shall appoint a commissioner of taxation, who shall serve for a 6-year term and until his successor has been appointed and qualified * * * * * The commissioner to be initially appointed shall be appointed for a term to * * * begin on August 1, 1947. Successors shall be appointed at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the term to be filled by such appointment and during the biennial session of the legislature within which the term of the commissioner then holding office shall expire. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided in section 17.20. The commissioner shall take and file the official oath before entering upon the performance of his duties. Such appointments shall be made on the basis of recognized and demonstrated interest in and knowledge of the problems of taxation and shall be made without regard to party affiliation, or because of interest in any special organized group. The commissioner shall receive an annual salary of \$8,500 and there shall be provided for the use of the department of taxation adequate offices or rooms in the state capitol or elsewhere in the city of Madison.

Approved August 18, 1947.