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CHAPTER 139

AN ACT to renumber 59.52 and 59.53; and to create 59.14 (3), 59.51 (16), 59.52 (2) and 59.53 (2) of the statutes, relating to the duties of register of deeds if electronic data processing is adopted.

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

SECTION 1. 59.14 (3) of the statutes is created to read:

59.14 (3) Any county board may by ordinance provide that the cut-off reception time for the filing and recording of documents shall be advanced by one-half hour in any official business day during which time the register of deeds office is open to the public, in order to complete the processing, recording and indexing to conform to the day of reception but for all other purposes the office shall remain open to the public.

SECTION 2. 59.51 (16) of the statutes is created to read:

59.51 (16) In any county where the county board has established a system of recording and indexing by means of electronic data processing or machine printed forms, the process of typing, key punching or other automated machines may be used to replace any handwritten entry or endorsement as described in this section. The various documents and indexes may also be combined into a general document file with one numbering sequence and one index at any time. The term "book" as used in this section if automated equipment is used may include forms, tab or computer printed sheets as well as cards and other supply forms which although processed separately may be bound after preparation.

SECTION 3. 59.52 and 59.53 of the statutes are renumbered 59.52 (1) (a) and (b) and 59.53 (1), respectively.

SECTION 4. 59.52 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

59.52 (2) Whenever a county board has established a system of recording and indexing documents by means of electronic data processing or machine printed forms or cards, general alphabetic and numerical indexes without prebound books may be substituted for daily alphabetic and numerical indexes.

SECTION 5. 59.53 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

59.53 (2) Whenever a county board has established a system of recording and indexing documents by means of electronic data processing or machine printed forms or cards, general alphabetic and numerical indexes without prebound books may be substituted for the index as provided in this section.

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