

House File 2398

H-8065

1 Amend House File 2398 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

3 <Section 1. Section 63.11, Code 2024, is amended to read as
4 follows:

5 **63.11 Oath on bond.**

6 ~~Every~~ Except a secretary and treasurer under chapter 291,
7 every civil officer who is required to give bond shall take and
8 subscribe the oath provided for in [section 63.10](#), on the back
9 of the bond, or on a paper attached thereto, to be certified by
10 the officer administering it.>

11 2. Page 1, after line 33 by inserting:

12 <Sec. _____. Section 260C.12, subsection 1, Code 2024, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 1. The board of directors of the merged area shall organize
15 at the first regular meeting following the regular school
16 election or at a special meeting called by the secretary of the
17 board to organize the board in advance of the first regular
18 meeting after the canvass for the regular school election.
19 Organization of the board shall be effected by the election
20 of a president and other officers from the board membership
21 as board members determine. The board of directors shall
22 appoint a secretary and a treasurer who shall each give bond
23 or be covered by an insurance policy as prescribed in section
24 291.2 and who shall each receive the salary determined by
25 the board. The secretary and treasurer shall perform duties
26 under [chapter 291](#) and additional duties the board of directors
27 deems necessary. However, the board may appoint one person to
28 serve as the secretary and treasurer. If one person serves
29 as the secretary and treasurer, only one bond or insurance
30 policy is necessary for that person. The frequency of meetings
31 other than organizational meetings shall be as determined by
32 the board of directors but the president or a majority of the
33 members may call a special meeting at any time.

34 Sec. _____. Section 279.3, subsection 2, Code 2024, is amended
35 to read as follows:

1 2. These officers shall be appointed from outside the
2 membership of the board and the appointment and qualification
3 shall be entered of record in the minutes of the secretary.
4 They shall qualify within ten days following appointment by
5 taking the oath of office in the manner required by section
6 277.28 and filing a bond or obtaining an insurance policy as
7 required by [section 291.2](#) and shall hold office until their
8 successors are appointed and qualified.

9 Sec. _____. Section 291.2, Code 2024, is amended to read as
10 follows:

11 **291.2 Bonds or insurance of secretary and treasurer.**

12 The secretary and treasurer, within ten days after
13 appointment and before entering upon the duties of the office,
14 shall execute to the school corporation a surety bond, or shall
15 be covered by an insurance policy, in an amount sufficient
16 to cover current operations as determined by the board. All
17 such bonds or insurance policies shall be continued to the
18 faithful discharge of the duties of the office. The amount and
19 sufficiency of all surety bonds or insurance policies shall be
20 determined and approved by the board and shall be filed with
21 the president. The cost of the surety bond or insurance policy
22 shall be paid by the school corporation. If a single person
23 serves as secretary and treasurer, pursuant to [section 279.3](#)
24 or [260C.12](#), only one bond or insurance policy is necessary for
25 that person. The secretary and treasurer may give bond under
26 a single bond, or be covered by an insurance policy, covering
27 other employees of the district.

28 Sec. _____. Section 291.3, Code 2024, is amended to read as
29 follows:

30 **291.3 Cost of bond or insurance policy.**

31 If the bond or insurance policy of an association or
32 corporation as surety or insurance is furnished, the reasonable
33 cost of such bond or insurance policy may be paid by the school
34 corporation.

35 Sec. _____. Section 291.4, Code 2024, is amended to read as

1 follows:

2 **291.4 Oath.**

3 ~~Each~~ The secretary and treasurer shall take the oath
4 required of civil officers, ~~which shall be endorsed upon the~~
5 ~~bond,~~ and shall complete the qualification within ten days.

6 Sec. _____. Section 291.5, Code 2024, is amended to read as
7 follows:

8 **291.5 Action on bond or insurance policy.**

9 In case of a breach of the bond or insurance policy, the
10 president shall bring action thereon in the name of the school
11 corporation.>

12 3. By renumbering as necessary.

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