

CHAPTER 95.

[Published April 8, 1872.]

AN ACT providing for a lien upon boats and vessels for premiums for fire or marine insurance thereon.

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

SECTION 1. Every boat or vessel used in navigating or running upon any of the navigable waters of this state, shall be liable for all debts contracted by the master, owner, agent, manager or consignee thereof, on account of any insurance effected upon such boat or vessel, the engines, machinery, sails, rigging, tackle, apparel or furniture thereof against any fire or marine risk, and any such indebtedness, wheether remaining in open account or secured by the note or other evidence of indebtedness of the owner, master, agent, manager or consignee of such boat or vessel, or any other person, shall be and remain a lien upon such boat or vessel for one year from the time such indebtedness shall be contracted and such insurance effected, unless sooner discharged by payment, or unless such lien shall be released in writing by the insurance company, individual, association or person to whom such debt may be due or owing.

Liability of boats or vessels for premium for insurance.

SECTION 2. Any insurance company, association or person lawfully authorized to transact the business of fire or marine insurance in this state, having a demand for fire or marine insurance on any such boat or vessel as aforesaid, and which shall be a lien thereon pursuant to the first section of this act, may institute an action for the recovery thereof, and the enforcement of such lien in the circuit court of the county in which said vessel may lie, pursuant to the provisions of chapter one hundred and fifty of the revised statutes of this state, entitled "of proceedings for the collection of demands against boats and vessels," and the several acts amendatory thereof, and the lien hereby created may be enforced in the same manner as liens are now, or may be enforced by law in this state, against boats and vessels for materials and supplies;

May institute action for recovery.

and all the provisions of said chapter one hundred and fifty of the revised statutes, and the several acts amendatory thereof, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby declared to apply to the lien created by this act and the enforcement thereof.

Not to prejudice other creditors.

SECTION 3. No insurance company, insurer or other person shall be allowed to enforce the lien created under the provisions of this act, as against or to the prejudice of any other creditor or subsequent incumbrance or *bona fide* purchaser, unless suit be instituted to enforce such lien within six months after the indebtedness accrues. Any such debt shall cease to be a lien unless a notice thereof, stating the name of the vessel, the amount of the debt and the date when contracted, shall be filed in the office of the clerk of court of the county where such insurance shall be effected, or where the insurance company or insurers shall hold the principal office, within twenty days after such insurance shall be effected.

Notice of lien.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 96.

[Published March 26, 1872.]

AN ACT to appropriate an amount sufficient to pay for the stationery used by the joint select committee on general laws, and to pay the clerk of said committee.

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

May draw stationery.

SECTION 1. That the joint select committee on general laws be and said committee is hereby authorized, through its chairman, to draw a sufficient amount of stationery necessary for the uses of said committee, not exceeding the sum of twenty dollars.

Per diem of clerk.

SECTION 2. The clerk of said committee shall be paid the same per diem that the several clerks of standing committees of the legislature are respectively entitled to under the laws of this state, which per diem