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CHAPTER 332.

AN ACT to protect laborers and material men in the city of Milwaukee.

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

Lien.

SECTION 1. Any person, company or corporation, that shall furnish any supplies or materials, or that may do or perform any labor or services in the execution of any contract awarded by the board of public works of the city of Milwaukee, shall have a lien for the amount due for such supplies, labor or services, on the certificate or certificates, or city order or orders to be issued to the contractor or contractors, or his or their assigns, upon such contract: *provided, however,* such laborer or material man shall have filed in the office of the city clerk of said city, within twenty days after such claim or demand shall have accrued, a petition or statement in writing, under oath, by the petitioner, setting forth the nature of such claim or demand, the amount due, the name of the contractor, and the date and nature of his contract with said city.

Restriction of payments.

SECTION 2. No certificate or city order for an amount exceeding seventy-five per cent. shall be issued upon any contract with said city of Milwaukee, shall be delivered to such contractor, or assignee of such contractor, or upon his or their order, until after the expiration of twenty days upon the completion of such contract, and if within the time herein specified any petition or lien shall have been filed by any person, company or corporation, that shall have furnished supplies or materials, or that may have done or performed any labor or services in the execution of such contract, such certificate or city order shall be retained by the proper city officers until such debt, demand or claim shall be satisfied, and a proper receipt therefor filed with the city clerk.

Contracts hereafter made.

SECTION 3. All contracts hereafter made by the board of public works of said city shall refer to and be made subject to the provisions of this act.

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

Approved March 21, 1878.