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CHAPTER 173.

AN ACT to amend section four thousand six hundred and fifty-four of chapter one hundred and eighty-nine of the revised statutes, relating to indictments and informations.

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

SECTION 1. Section four thousand six hundred and No informafifty-four chapter one hundred and eighty nine of the without prelimrevised statutes, is hereby amended so as to read as fol- inary exemina-lows: No information shall be filed against any person certain cases. for any offense, until such person shall have had a preliminary examination as provided by law, before a justice of the peace or other examining magistrate or officer, unless such person shall waive his right to such examination: provided, that information may be filed without such examinations against fugitives from justice within the meaning of the constitution and laws of the United States, and against corporations; but no failure or omission of such preliminary examination, shall in any case invalidate any informations in any court, unless the defendant shall take advantage of such failure or omission, before pleading to the merits, by a plea in abatement.

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

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CHAPTER 174.

AN ACT to amend chapter sixty-six, of the revised statutes, entitled of excise and intoxicating liquors.

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

SECTION 1. Section one thousand five hundred and Wife of spend-fifty-four of said chapter sixty-six, is hereby amended bid the selling by inserting after the word "thereof" in the sixth line liquor. of said section the following words, "the wife of such person, or."

Section one thousand five hundred and Amendments. Section 2. fifty-seven of said chapter sixty-six, is hereby amended by striking out of lines six and seven of said section, the following words, "having good reason to believe him to be such;" also amend section one thousand five hundred and fifty-eight of said chapter, by striking out