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CHAPTER 427.

AN ACT to prevent interference with persons employed at lawful labor, or with the use or operation of machinery.

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

To prevent interference with persons employed, or with use or operation of machinery—penalty.

SECTION 1. Any person who by threats, intimidation, force or coercion of any kind shall hinder or prevent any other person from engaging in or continuing in any lawful work or employment, either for himself or as a wage-worker, or who shall attempt to so hinder or prevent, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail not more than six months, or by both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Penalty for injury to machinery.

SECTION 2. Any person who shall individually or in association with one or more others, wilfully break, injure or remove any part or parts of any railway car or locomotive, or any other portable vehicle or traction engine, or any part or parts of any stationary engine, machine, implement or machinery, for the purpose of destroying such locomotive, engines, car, vehicle, implement or machinery, or of preventing the useful operation thereof, or who shall in any other way wilfully or maliciously interfere with or prevent the running or operation of any locomotive, engine or machinery, shall be punished by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail or the state prison not exceeding two years, or by both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 12, 1887.