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CHAPTER 473.

AN ACT to provide for evidence from books kept by insurance companies, whether doing business upon the level premium or assessment plan, or doing business under the general laws of this state, or special acts naming such corporation or association.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever any evidence shall be required in any court of this state from the book entries of any insurance corporation or association doing business at the time of such requirement, either on the level premium or assessment plans, under any general law or special act naming such corporation or association, it shall be competent to produce verified copies of such entries, together with such statements as shall show the number of members insured in or belonging to such corporation or association, and the number of members in each class or grade, and the aggregate amount of a single assessment from such members and from each class or grade thereof. Such verified copies and statements shall be received in all legal proceedings as *prima facie* evidence of such entry or entries or statements relating to the number of members, classes or grades thereof, and assessments therefrom; and no officer of any such insurance corporation or association shall be compelled to produce any book of entries or records kept by such corporation or association, unless specially ordered by the court or officer before whom the trial is had.

SECTION 2. To warrant receiving such verified entry or entries or statements mentioned in the foregoing section, there must be an affidavit or the testimony of an officer of such insurance corporation or association stating that such copy or copies and statements are true, and that the same are taken from the regular books of the corporation or association, used and kept for the transac-

Verified copies
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tion of its business. That such book or books are now in the control of such corporation or association.

To be served on
opposite party.

SECTION 3. Such verified statement of entry or entries or statements provided for in this act, shall be served upon opposite counsel at least six days before the term of court or the time set for the trial or hearing before the court or officer to try or hear the same. And the books of the corporation or association aforesaid shall be open to the inspection of any interested party or his counsel, to the extent prescribed in all orders made by the court on application of such party or his counsel.

Books to be
open to inspec-
tion.

Making false
statement or
copy deemed
perjury.

SECTION 4. Any person who shall make a false copy or statement as herein provided for, or shall give false testimony concerning the same, shall be deemed guilty of the offense of perjury, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished therefor in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 474.

AN ACT in relation to the payment of wages.

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

Payment of
wages, when
weekly or bi-
weekly.

SECTION 1. All wages or compensation for labor or service in the state of Wisconsin, unless there shall be a written contract to the contrary, shall be paid weekly or bi-weekly in cash. But this act shall not be held to annul contracts in force at the time of its passage, nor to apply to agricultural laborers, commercial travelers, persons working on commission, traveling employes of railway and express companies, persons employed in logging camps, or "driving," running or manufacturing of logs or lumber, nor to any person whose occu-