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CHAPTER 301.

AN ACT amending chapter 107 of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898, relating to marriages.

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

SECTION 1. Not less than five days previous License to be to persons being joined in marriage a license procured five therefor shall be obtained from the county clerk fore marriage. of the county in which the female resides, or if not a resident of the state, then from the county clerk of the county where the marriage is to take place in this state.

SECTION 2. When application is made in person, the applicant shall sign and verify a state sign vorified ment before such clerk, that the parties apply- to age, etc. ing for the license are of legal age, and that no other legal impediment to marriage exists. such applicant may go before any officer authorized by law to administer oaths, and make and verify a like statement, in the presence of two subscribing witnesses, and upon the receipt of such statement and application for license and the required fee, the clerk'shall, if such statement is in proper form, forward to such applicant the required license.

SECTION 3. If any person intending to marry Minors to obshall be under the age of 21 years if a male, or tain consent or under the age of 18 years if a female, and shall guardian. not have had a former wife or husband, the consent in person or in writing of the parent or guardian having the custody of such a minor, shall be given to the county clerk before a license for marriage shall be granted, and if such consent is in writing it shall be signed and verified by the parent or guardian in the presence of two subscribing witnesses.

statements as

License good for one month.

SECTION 4. The county clerk shall file and b preserve in his office all sworn statements made for the purpose of procuring licenses. The limit of time for which a license shall remain in force shall be one month from date of issue, after which time it shall become void.

License fee.

Penalty for performing marriage, unless license is issued.

Duty of officiating officer.

Court of record may order marriage without license.

a fee for each license granted the sum of fifty cents which shall become a part of the funds of the county. If any clerk shall, in any other manner than provided for in this act, knowingly issue or sign any marriage license, he shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars.

SECTION 5. The county clerk shall receive as

If any person authorized by law SECTION 6. to solemnize a marriage, perform such a ceremony, when the parties thereto have not obtained the proper license, or when five days or more have not elapsed since the date of such license or when parties fail to present such license when making application for marriage except hereinafter provided, he shall forfeit and pay for every such offense a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, or may be imprisoned not exceeding one year, but such parties performing marriage ceremonies, are not relieved from examination of applicants for marriage, as to legal impediments. The license shall be returned by the party performing marriage ceremony, with the marriage certificate to the register of deeds. of the county in which such license is issued provided that in cities of the first class such license and marriage certificate shall be returned to the register of vital statistics in such city and by him filed as provided by law.

SECTION 7. Upon application of either of the parties to a proposed marriage any county judge, court of record or presiding judge thereof, in his discretion, by order may authorize the marriage without such license, or the delay of five days after the issuing of such license. Such order shall be delivered to the person performing the ceremony and by him returned in place of or in

connection with the license to the register of deeds, or register of vital statistics.

SECTION 8. All acts or parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 29, 1899.

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CHAPTER 302.

AN ACT to provide for the payment of certain lumber and material used in the construction of the warden's residence at Waupun, Wisconsin, and for work and labor upon the Wisconsin home for feeble minded at Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

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

SECTION 1. The purpose of this bill is to re- Purpose of imburse the parties hereinafter named, for lum-law. ber and material used in the construction of the warden's residence at the state prison in the city of Waupun, in the year 1894, and for work and labor upon the Wisconsin home for feeble minded at Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated out Appropriation of any money in the state treasury not otherwise to J. M. Thompson. appropriated, the sum of two hundred and two dollars and sixty cents, to be paid to J. M. Thompson, of Waupun, Wisconsin.

SECTION 3. There is hereby appropriated out Appropriation of any money in the state treasury not otherwise to Lovell &