

lect by action the pecuniary forfeiture herein imposed, and also proceed to have forfeiture of such rights, privileges and franchises duly declared.

Not to be excused from testifying. Section 1796g. No person shall be excused from testifying or from producing books and papers before the commissioner or any person conducting any proceeding for him or under his direction, or in any action based upon or growing out of any examination under this chapter on the ground or for the reason that the testimony or evidence documentary or otherwise required of him may tend to incriminate him or subject him to a penalty or forfeiture; but no person having so testified shall be liable to any prosecution or punishment for any evidence concerning which he is required to give his testimony or produce any documentary evidence, except a prosecution for perjury committed in giving such evidence.

Appropriation. SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated out of the general fund, a sufficient sum of money to carry out the provisions of this act.

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

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CHAPTER 432.

AN ACT to provide the means of self-support to adult blind artisans and the means of instruction to those desiring to become artisans, and to appropriate money therefor.

Preamble. Whereas, There are many adult blind residents of this state who have learned trades, either at the state school for the blind or elsewhere, but who are greatly embarrassed by reason of their infirmity in securing employment and who find themselves quite unable to compete successfully with those having sight, who are engaged in the same trades; and whereas, the

state school for the blind is not, and while it remains a school cannot be adapted to furnish those adult artisans with proper facilities to pursue their respective vocations without serious injury to the school; and, whereas, it is believed that if a place and some suitable appliances were furnished them, they could so compete and become self-supporting:

To the end, therefore, that such reasonable aid may be extended to such persons as will enable them successfully to pursue their several vocations:

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

Duty of board of control; material and tools. SECTION 1. The state board of control is hereby authorized and directed, subject to the approval of the governor, to procure a building, by lease or otherwise, or suitable apartments in some building situated in the city of Milwaukee, in which any blind citizen of this state having learned a trade may, if practicable, pursue his vocation on his own account and receive for his own use the whole of the proceeds of his labor. Such building or apartments shall be heated and lighted under the direction of the board of control at the expense of the state. As a general rule, it is expected that artisans availing themselves of the privileges of this act will furnish their own materials and the tools required in their employment; but in cases of necessity the board may assist such workmen by furnishing for their use a limited amount of such tools.

Instruction. SECTION 2. The said board may also, in its discretion, provide means of instruction in such building or apartments to any adult blind resident of the state who desires to learn a trade, to enable such person to avail himself of the privileges and benefits conferred by this act.

Superintendent; compensation. SECTION 3. Said board is authorized to employ some person to have charge and superintendence of such building or apartments who shall direct what portion thereof shall be used by each person desiring to use the same. Said superintendent shall be paid a compensation to be fixed by the said board.

Appropriation. SECTION 4. There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appro-

riated, the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be expended by the board of control in executing the requirements of this act during the current calendar year, and a further sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for such expenses during the year 1904. The expenditures under this act shall not exceed the sums herein appropriated unless the amount shall be increased pursuant to the provisions of section 563 of the statutes of 1898.

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

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CHAPTER 433.

AN ACT to exempt from taxation highway bridges across the St. Croix and Mississippi rivers.

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

Bridges exempt from taxation, location of. SECTION 1. So much of any bridge across the St. Croix or Mississippi rivers, together with the necessary highways and approaches thereto as lies in this state and is open to the general public for highway purposes, whether toll be charged thereon or not, owned exclusively by any county, city, village or town in this state or in the state of Minnesota, or owned jointly by any county, city, village or town, together with any other county, city, village or town in either of said states, shall be exempt from taxation.

When to apply. SECTION 2. This act shall apply to the assessment of 1903.

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

Approved May 22, 1903.