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CHAPTER 517.

AN ACT to repeal sections 904 and 927 of the statutes, and to create two new sections to be designated sections 904 and 927 of the statutes, relating to the discontinuance of roads, streets, slips, piers, lanes and alleys in villages and cities.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 904 and 927 of the statutes are repealed.

SECTION 2. There are added to the statutes two new sections to read: Section 904. The whole or any part of any road, street, slip, pier, lane or alley, in any lawfully incorporated village, may be discontinued by the board of trustees of such village, upon the written petition of the owners of all the frontage of the lots and lands abutting upon the portion thereof sought to be discontinued, and of the owners of more than one-half of the frontage of the lots and lands abutting on that portion of the remainder thereof, which lies within two thousand six hundred and fifty feet from the ends of the portion proposed to be discontinued. Whenever any of the lots or lands aforesaid is owned by the state, county, city or village, or by a minor or incompetent person, or the title thereof is held in trust, as to all lots and lands so owned or held, said petition may be signed by the governor, chairman of the board of supervisors of the county, mayor of the city, president of the board of trustees of the village, guardian of the minor or incompetent person, or the trustee, respectively, and the signature of any private corporation may be made by its president, secretary or other principal officer or managing agent. Written notice stating when and where the petition will be acted upon, and stating what road, street, slip, pier, lane or alley, or part thereof, is proposed to be discontinued, shall be given by the board of trustees as follows: By posting copies thereof in three public places in said village not less than three weeks before the day fixed for the hearing, and when possible, by the publication of said notice in the official or some other newspaper printed in said village, once a week for three successive weeks before said day.

Section 927. 1. Every village incorporated under special law shall have and possess, and may exercise and pursue all the rights, powers, privileges and procedure conferred, granted or prescribed by sections 870 and 893 of the statutes. The board

of trustees of every such village, and the common council of every city of the second and third classes, shall at all times have and possess, and may exercise and pursue all the rights, powers, privileges and procedure conferred, granted or prescribed by sections 895 to 904, inclusive, as well as the powers and privileges conferred by the provisions of their respective charters, and may levy and collect the expense incurred in exercising such rights, powers and privileges, including all damages and costs incurred by the taking of private property in the manner provided by section 903 or, at their option, in the manner provided by sections 925—190 to 925—197a of the statutes.

2. Every city of the first and fourth class shall have and possess, and may exercise and pursue all the rights, powers, privileges and procedure conferred, granted or prescribed to or for cities of the second and third class by this section, except that no action shall be had by any city of the first or fourth class and villages under section 904, unless the petition therein mentioned be signed by all the owners of lots and land abutting on the portion of the road, street, slip, pier, lane or alley proposed to be discontinued, and two-thirds of the owners of lots and land abutting on the remainder thereof, and not otherwise.

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

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CHAPTER 518.

AN ACT to establish a ferry across the Mississippi river from the village of Lynxville in the state of Wisconsin, to Heytman station, in the state of Iowa.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. E. J. Randall, his associates, heirs and assigns, shall have the exclusive right and privilege, subject to the right herein reserved, to alter, amend or repeal this act, for the period of ten years from and after the first day of August, 1911, of keeping and maintaining a ferry across the waters of the Mississippi river from the village of Lynxville, in Crawford county, state of Wisconsin, to Heytman station, in the county of Allamakee, state of Iowa.

SECTION 2. The said E. J. Randall, his associates or assigns, shall, on and after the first day of August, 1911, place and main-