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CHAPTER 521.

AN ACT to amend section 925—248a of the statutes, relating to harbors.

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

SECTION 1. Section 925—248a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 925—248a. 1. Any city may, at its option, in lieu of proceedings under sections 925—240 to 925—248, inclusive, have the power to construct, repair, improve and maintain any harbor within or of the city *at such depth as may be prescribed by the United States Government engineers* * * * by dredging channels and slips, building docks, dykes, wharves, piers and breakwaters or by such other plan of improvement as the council may prescribe and adopt; and when any such improvement shall have been ordered the board of public works shall make an assessment of the benefits accruing to the lands benefited thereby. In order to facilitate the improvement of any harbor or any portion thereof the council may, by ordinance, establish harbor districts, to be numbered from one upwards, along the bays, rivers, creeks, sloughs, slips and pockets lying wholly or in part within the city, each of which districts shall contain such area and embrace such lands and territory to be improved and benefited as the council may by such ordinance prescribe and determine; and after the formation of any district the cost of any improvement made within it shall be assessed to the property therein according to the benefits accruing to such property by reason of such improvement.

2. The council may at any time, by a vote of three-fourths of all its members-elect, vacate, alter or change the boundaries of any harbor district or consolidate or rearrange the harbor districts; provided, that before any district shall be established, altered or vacated the notice required to be given in the establishment of sewerage districts under section 925—210 shall first be given, and sections 925—209 to 925—212, inclusive, are hereby made applicable to the establishment, alteration and vacation of harbor districts. In case it shall be necessary to dredge any channel or make any other improvement outside of any dock lines or harbor districts the cost thereof shall be assessed as benefits against the platted property or subdivisions of land nearest to or benefited by such improvement. Assessments for harbor improvements shall be made, corrected and reported to the council as assessments for street improvements, and certificates or improvement bonds may be issued thereon and collected in the

manner and with like effect as in the case of street improvements, and all provisions contained in this chapter relating to special assessments and proceedings and special improvement bonds in the case of street improvements are hereby made applicable.

3. The council may provide that a sum not exceeding ten per cent of the amount of any assessment for the benefits shall be added as an additional assessment of benefits to cover the cost of engineering, superintending and all other necessary charges upon the city by reason of such improvements; provided, that the whole sum assessed shall not exceed the benefits. They may also provide that any portion of the entire amount of any sum assessed as benefits shall be collected and in the treasury before any work shall be done or improvement made under this subchapter. Like remedies, appeals and limitations as in the case of street improvements may be taken and are applicable.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 522.

AN ACT directing the commissioners of public lands to convey title to certain lands in Winnebago county to Richard E. Tanner.

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

SECTION 1. The commissioners of public lands are hereby directed to convey to Richard E. Tanner, by quitclaim deed, title to a fractional lot of land in Winnebago county, described as follows, to wit: The west one-half of lot seven, excepting a piece commencing at the northwest corner of said lot seven running from thence on west line of said lot seven eighteen and one-half rods to highway, thence in easterly direction thirty-five rods and eleven and one-half feet, thence north parallel with the west line of said lot seven twenty rods, thence west on north line of said lot to place of beginning containing three and one-half acres more or less, all being in section twenty-nine, township eighteen north, range fourteen east, Winnebago county, Wisconsin.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved June 19, 1913.