

No. 796, A.]

[Published September 16, 1929.]

CHAPTER 500.

AN ACT to create section 211.095 of the statutes, relating to authority of officers of fire departments, and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: 211.095 (1) The chief, chief engineer, assistant engineer, captain, lieutenant, or any other executive officer of any volunteer fire company, association, fire district company, or any other organization organized or created for the purpose of extinguishing fires and preventing fire hazards, whether the same is incorporated or not, and whether the same be a paid department or not, when on duty at a fire or in response to an alarm for a fire shall have authority to suppress any tumult or disorder and to order all individuals or companies to leave the neighborhood of any fire, and to command from the inhabitants of the city or town all needful assistance for the suppression of fires and in the preservation of property exposed to fire; the officers above enumerated shall also have authority to go upon and enter any property or premises and to do whatever may reasonably be necessary in the performance of their duties while engaged in the work of extinguishing any fire or performing any duties incidental thereto. Any person who shall neglect or refuse to render assistance when lawfully called upon to do so by any of such officers at a fire, or who shall refuse to obey any lawful order of any officer or man connected with any such fire fighting organization as above enumerated, while on duty at a fire, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars, or by imprisonment of not more than thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court.

(2) Any person who shall wantonly or maliciously cut or otherwise injure any hose or apparatus belonging to or used by any fire department, company, association or other organization organized for the purpose of and engaged in the suppression of fires, whether incorporated or not, shall be subject to a fine of not less than twenty dollars, nor more than two hundred dollars,

or shall be imprisoned for a term of not more than thirty days, either or both, at the discretion of the court.

(3) Any person who shall obstruct or interfere with the use of any fire hydrant in any town, or city, by piles of lumber, building material, articles of merchandise, the excavation or removal of buildings, dirt or rubbish or in any other way or manner, unless by permission of the town or city council, shall pay a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense. Every day that said interference or obstruction shall continue shall be regarded as a separate offense; provided, however, that the permission herein required of the town or city council may be lawfully obtained from the commissioner of public works or any other officer of any city or town whenever he may be so duly authorized by law.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved September 13, 1929.

No. 843, A.]

[Published September 16, 1929.

CHAPTER 501.

AN ACT to amend subsections (3) and (4) of section 20.01 of the statutes, relating to the compensation of the chief clerks and the sergeants at arms of the two houses of the legislature, and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 20.01 of the statutes are amended to read: (20.01) (3) To the chief clerk of the senate, and of the assembly, each, * * * *two thousand * * * seven hundred and fifty* dollars for the regular session, payable one-half at the beginning and one-half at the end of the regular session; twelve dollars per day for any special session, and fifty dollars for service at the opening of the succeeding regular session.

(4) To the sergeant at arms of the senate, and of the assembly, each * * * *two thousand * * ** dollars for the regular session, payable one-half at the beginning and one-half at the end of the regular session and ten dollars per day for any special session.