

gages by action, and amendatory of section one of chapter two hundred and forty-three of the general laws of 1862: *provided, however*, that in all cases where such parties are exempt by the provisions of this act from the operation of the acts herein named, all such parties may, by stipulation, waive the provisions of this act and proceed the same as they might do prior to the passage of this act.

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

Approved March 19, 1873.

CHAPTER 272.

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AN ACT to amend subdivision five of section eleven of chapter one hundred and nineteen of the general laws of 1872, entitled an act in relation to railroads and the organization of railroad companies.

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

SECTION 1. Subdivision five of section eleven of chapter one hundred and nineteen of the general laws of 1872, entitled "an act in relation to railroads and the organization of railroad companies," is hereby amended by adding thereto the following, to-wit: all bridges constructed or hereafter to be constructed by any railroad company across the Fox or Wisconsin rivers shall be constructed or modified according to such plans as shall be approved by the secretary of war, or such engineer as he shall designate, and in case it may be necessary for the interests of navigation or commerce to change or modify any such railroad bridge heretofore constructed, it is hereby made the duty of the railroad company maintaining such bridge to make such reasonable alterations in such bridge as may be directed by the secretary of war, or such engineer as he may designate for that purpose.

Amended—
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bridges to be
built under di-
rection of sec-
retary of war.

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

Approved March 19, 1873.