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CHAPTER 99.

AN ACT to amend section 4580 of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898, relating to fornication.

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

Penalty for.

SECTION 1. Section 4580 of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898, is hereby amended by striking out the word "fourteen" where it occurs in the fifth line of said section and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "eighteen," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 4580. Any man who commits fornication with a sane single female, over the age of fourteen years, each of them shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail, not more than six months or by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars. Any man who commits fornication with a sane female of previous chaste character under the age of eighteen years, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison, not more than four years or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by both fine and imprisonment. Any man who commits fornication with any female who is idiotic, insane or imbecile, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison, not more than fifteen years, nor less than five years.

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

Approved March 30, 1899.