

SECTION 4. In order to carry out the provisions of this act the commissioner of banking is hereby authorized to commence and maintain in his own name as commissioner of banking any and all actions necessary or proper to enforce any of the provisions of this act.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 397.

AN ACT to amend section 1319 of the statutes, relating to county aid for bridges.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1319 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 1319. 1. Whenever any town board shall file its petition with the proper county board setting forth the fact that said town has voted to construct or repair any bridge wholly or partly within such town, designating as near as may be the location of such bridge, and further stating that such town has provided for the payment of \* \* \* *such proportion of the cost of such construction or repairs \* \* \* as is required by this section*, the said county board shall appropriate \* \* \* *such sum as is required by this section to be paid by the county and shall cause such sum to be levied upon the taxable property of the county as will, with the amount provided by said town, be sufficient to defray the expense of erecting or repairing \* \* \* such bridge so petitioned for, and such money, when collected, shall be paid out on the order of the chairman of the county board and county clerk whenever the said town board and the commissioners hereinafter provided for shall notify them that the work has been completed and accepted.*

*2. When such bridge to be constructed or repaired is located wholly or partly within a town having a total valuation of six hundred thousand dollars or more according to the last assessment as equalized by the county board, the county shall pay the cost in excess of six hundred dollars until the cost is twelve hundred dollars. When the cost exceeds twelve hundred dollars the town and county shall each pay one-half the cost of such construction or repair.*

*3. When such bridge to be constructed or repaired is located wholly or partly within a town having a total valuation of less*

than six hundred thousand dollars according to the last assessment as equalized by the county board, the county shall pay the cost in excess of one-tenth of one per centum of said total valuation until the total cost is equal to one-fifth of one per centum of said total valuation. When the total cost exceeds one-fifth of one per centum of said total valuation the town and county shall each pay one-half the cost of such construction or repair.

1. Whenever the construction or repair of any bridge lying wholly or partly within any town is required to be made without delay, by reason of being washed out or damaged by floods or other cause, the town may file its petition with the county clerk setting forth the facts respecting such immediate necessity for construction or repairs. The chairman of the county board shall appoint two of its members who shall have the same powers and duties as the members appointed pursuant to subsection 5. The construction or repair of a bridge performed and accepted pursuant to this subsection, shall entitle the town to county aid to an amount of money equal to that which the town would have been entitled to if it had filed its petition with the county board as hereinbefore set forth, and the county board shall levy such sum upon the taxable property of the county; provided, however, that the county board shall not appropriate money under this subsection to reimburse any town for the construction or repair of any bridge, the cost of which would not be sufficient to authorize the county to aid the town in construction of such bridge under the other provisions of this section.

5. In determining the cost of the construction or repair of any such bridge the cost of constructing or repairing any approach at the end thereof shall not be considered as a part of the cost of such construction or repair.

6. The county board shall, at the time of acting upon such petition, designate two of its members who shall act as its commissioners and who shall co-operate with the board of such town; and such board and the said commissioners shall have full charge and authority to act in the letting, inspecting and acceptance of the work.

7. \* \* \* Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prohibit any county board from constructing or repairing any bridge in its county if it shall so desire; and if the whole of the cost of the construction or repairs of any bridge or bridges is to be borne by any county, or any county shall arrange with such town so as to assume and have exclusive charge of such work, then the county board may direct the letting, inspecting and acceptance of such work in such manner as it may deem proper.

8. \* \* \* Nothing herein contained shall authorize the levy of any tax upon the property in any city or incorporated village required by law to maintain its own bridges.

9. \* \* \* Supervisors from such cities or villages so required to maintain their own bridges, shall have no vote on the granting or determining of such petition, or in providing a tax therefor.

10. \* \* \* No more than one mill on the dollar on the equalized valuation of the property in any county shall be levied for the aforesaid purpose, and for all other county bridges, in any one year, unless the county board, by a two-thirds vote of all the members entitled to vote on such proposition shall decide in favor of a larger sum, and in that case an amount not to exceed one mill on the dollar of such equalized valuation may be levied in addition to the one mill herein provided for and no order shall be drawn on account of such levy except upon the certificate of the county treasurer that the money produced by said levy has come to his hands to pay such order.

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

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## CHAPTER 398.

AN ACT to repeal section 4601—4a of the statutes and to create a new section to be numbered 4601—4a, relating to definitions and standards for food products.

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

SECTION 1. Section 4601—4a of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. There is added to the statutes a new section to read: Section 4601—4a. In all prosecutions arising under the provisions of these statutes relating to the manufacture or sale of an adulterated, misbranded or otherwise unlawful article of food, the following definitions and standards for food products shall be the legal definitions and standards, to-wit:

1. Meat, flesh, is any clean, sound, dressed, and properly prepared edible part of animals in good health at the time of slaughter, and if it bears a name descriptive of its kind, composition, or origin, it corresponds thereto. The term "animals," as herein used, includes not only mammals, but fish, fowl, crustaceans, mollusks, and all other animals used as food.