

provided in section 1797 12, proceed in like manner as upon a complaint duly filed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 591.

AN ACT to create section 1604m of the statutes, to dispense with requirements or restrictions contained in franchises, licenses or permits heretofore granted for the construction or maintenance of dams in those cases where the railroad commission shall determine such requirements or conditions unnecessary to navigability or the public safety.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section to read: Section 1604m. If the franchise, license or permit under which any dam has heretofore been authorized to be, or has been constructed or maintained, shall require the construction or maintenance in such dam or in connection therewith of any slide, chute, lock, canal, boat hoist, sluice way, marine railway or other device for aiding or protecting navigation or the public safety, or shall contain any restriction upon the height of such dam, the railroad commission of Wisconsin shall, upon application of the grantee of such franchise, his or its personal representatives, successors or assigns, and upon thirty days' notice in writing to the grantee, and to any person or corporation claiming under the grantee, and after public hearing, determine whether such requirements or restrictions, or any of them, have ceased to be necessary, or are unnecessary, to aid or protect the navigability of the water in which such dam was authorized to be constructed or maintained, or to protect the public safety, and if upon such investigation the railroad commission shall determine that any of such requirements or restrictions have thus ceased to be necessary, or are unnecessary, it shall make a finding to such effect, and thereupon the requirements and restrictions so found to be unnecessary shall be dispensed with until such time as the railroad commission may, upon investigation had, require such restrictions and requirements to be replaced.

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

Approved July 7, 1911.