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CHAPTER 276.

AN ACT to amend section 694e of the statutes, relating to condemnation of lands for county purposes.

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

SECTION 1. Section 694e of the statutes is amended to read: **Section 694e.** Whenever in the opinion of any county board the county requires any lands for the use of a courthouse, jail, house of correction, poorhouse, hospital, asylum or workhouse, *or for any other public purpose authorized by law*, and such board cannot agree with the owner of such lands upon the amount of compensation to be paid therefor, or when, by reason of the legal incapacity or absence of any such owner or other cause, no such agreement can be made or such lands cannot be purchased without unreasonable delay, the judge of the circuit court of the county in which such lands or any part thereof are situated may, upon application in writing by such board, which application shall contain a description of the lands so required, appoint three disinterested residents of such county commissioners to appraise said lands. Ten days' notice of such application, containing a description of the lands required, shall be personally served upon the owner, or given by publication for three successive weeks in a newspaper published in said county. Upon such application and a like notice of motion therefor such judge may make an order restraining the owner or any other person from cutting or injuring any of the timber growing on such land or committing any other waste thereon during the pendency of said proceedings, if it be made to appear that the doing of such acts will seriously impair the value of the land for the uses for which it is required. A violation of such order shall be punishable in the same manner as the violation of any order made by a circuit judge at chambers.

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

Approved May 17, 1913.