

claim, duly verified by the oath of the person or party, or his or their agent or attorney, that such claim is justly due.

SECTION 3. That whenever the governor is called <sup>Duty of govern-
or.</sup> upon, under the provisions of said chapter 478, to convey lands due to any contractor or contractors, by the terms and conditions of any contract or contracts with and under the said commissioners, it shall be and it is hereby made the duty of the governor to withhold all conveyances or patents of such lands from said contractor or contractors, or assignees, until the amount of all claims of which notice has been filed in his office as aforesaid, by subcontractor or subcontractors, or others, shall have been fully paid and satisfied, or until notice by either party, duly given, that final judgment or judgments has or have been rendered in the action or actions brought to enforce the collection of such claim or claims, as herein in this act provided and authorized, which shall become a lien by operation of law, when the lands are so conveyed.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this act shall be construed to apply only to subcontractor or subcontractors or other persons or party performing labor or furnishing materials in the construction of said road, or any part thereof, or to the contractor or contractors under and with the commissioners mentioned in section one of this act. ^{Application.}

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

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CHAPTER 44.

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AN ACT to limit the number of officers and employees of the legislature.

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

SECTION 1. The officers and employees of the legis- <sup>Officers and em-
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senate.</sup> lature shall hereafter be limited as follows: For the

Officers and employers of the assembly.

senate, in addition to the chief clerk and sergeant-at-arms, there shall only be appointed one assistant clerk, one enrolling clerk, one engrossing clerk and one transcribing clerk, to be appointed by the chief clerk, and one assistant sergeant-at-arms, one postmaster, one porter, two doorkeepers and one fireman, who shall be appointed by the sergeant-at-arms, and three messengers, who shall be appointed by the president of the senate. For the assembly, in addition to the chief clerk and sergeant-at-arms, there shall only be appointed one assistant clerk, one book-keeper, one enrolling clerk, one engrossing clerk and one transcribing clerk, to be appointed by the chief clerk; and one assistant sergeant-at-arms, one postmaster, one assistant postmaster, one porter, three doorkeepers and two firemen, who shall be appointed by the sergeant-at-arms, and eight messengers, who shall be appointed by the speaker of the assembly: *provided*, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to or affect the officers or employees of the present legislature.

No other officers to be appointed except by authority of joint resolution.

SECTION 2. No officer or person other than those specified in the preceding section, shall be appointed or employed by either house of the legislature, or by any committee or officer thereof, except by a joint resolution of the two houses of the same, or by law; nor shall it be lawful for any officer to certify to or draw a warrant on the state treasurer for the pay of any officer or employee of the legislature, not authorized by law.

Per diem of porter and book-keeper.

SECTION 3. Section one of chapter 136 of the laws of 1860, entitled "an act to provide and appropriate compensation to the officers of the legislature," is hereby amended, by adding to such section the following words: "to the porter, two dollars and fifty cents; to the book-keeper, three dollars."

Stationery and postage stamps.

SECTION 4. No stationery or postage stamps shall be appropriated to any officer or employee of the legislature, except by a joint resolution of the two houses of the same, or by law.

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