

Wood county, or Stevens Point, in Portage county; of district number two, at the city of La Crosse; of district number three, at the city of Eau Claire; of district number four, at the city of Hudson; of district number five, at the village of Marinette; of district number six, at the city of Chippewa Falls; of district number seven, at the city of Eau Claire; of district number eight, at Barron, in the county of Barron; of district number nine, in the town of Nelson, in Buffalo county; of district number ten, at the city of Wausau; of district number eleven, in the town of Ashland, in the county of Ashland; and of district number twelve, at the city of Oshkosh; and of district number thirteen, at the city of Superior; of district number fourteen, at Merrill, in Lincoln county. Nothing in this act shall be construed so as to interfere with the scaling and counting of logs, timber or ties within the limits of Lincoln county by the inspector of district number ten, or his deputies; and the inspector of district number ten shall be responsible for the acts of his deputies, the same as now provided by law.

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

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CHAPTER 289.

AN ACT to amend section 1291, of chapter 52, of the revised statutes, entitled, "Of highways and bridges."

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

Respecting
highways and
bridges.

SECTION 1. Section 1291, of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words, "one thousand," where the same occur in the eleventh line thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof, the words, "two hundred and fifty," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 1291. All damages lawfully awarded to any person for laying out, widening or altering any highway shall be a

charge against the town; or in case of a highway on the line between two towns, or between a town and a city or village, against such town, city or village as shall be assigned to pay the same, in the manner hereinbefore provided, at any time after the highway shall have been opened by order of the supervisors, and not before, and shall then be audited and paid, or sued for and collected, in the same manner as other debts of the town; but when the total amount of damages chargeable to one town consequent upon any one order for laying out, widening or altering a highway, shall be two hundred and fifty dollars or more, such highway shall not be opened, widened or altered, nor liability for damages exist, unless such order be approved and such highway accepted by a majority of the qualified electors of the town liable to such damages voting thereon at the next annual town meeting, or some special town meeting, sooner called therefor. And no liability for such damages shall exist for any highway discontinued in the manner hereinbefore provided, before being opened. All costs and fees directed to be paid by any town, city or village by this chapter, shall be audited and paid, or may be sued for and collected as other debts against such town, city or village. When any town order or orders shall be given pursuant to this section, and there shall be no unappropriated money in the town treasury sufficient to pay the same, the town board shall certify the total amount thereof to the town clerk, who shall place the same on the next tax roll, with interest thereon, from the date of such order, in the same manner as a tax to pay a judgment, and the same shall be in like manner collected and paid to the parties entitled thereto, with such interest.

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