

scientific purposes only, the nests, eggs, animals, birds and fish protected by these statutes. No person to whom such certificate is issued or who acts under the same, shall dispose of any such specimens except in exchange for scientific purposes.

Certificates not transferable. SECTION 6. The certificates authorized by this act shall be in force for one year only from the date of their issue and shall not be transferable.

What birds not included. SECTION 7. The English or European house sparrow (*passer domesticus*) the American crow (*corvus americanus*) the sharp-shinned hawk (*accipiter velox*) Cooper's hawk (*accipiter cooperii*) owls (*ulula cimera*) and blackbirds are not included among the birds protected by this act.

Conflicting laws repealed. SECTION 8. All acts or parts of acts heretofore passed, inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect and be in force, from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 9, 1901.

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CHAPTER 157.

AN ACT relating to ditches and drains.

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

Ditches in use for three years declared valid. SECTION 1. All ditches, drains, or water-courses, which shall have been or shall hereafter be laid out and constructed by the supervisors of any town or towns, or the board of supervisors of any county, which shall have been opened and in actual use for the term of three years, shall be deemed to be, and are hereby declared to be legal ditches, drains, or water courses, so far as they have been so opened and in actual use, notwithstanding that the law may not have been in all respects complied with in laying out the same; provided that as to all drains, ditches, or water courses hereto-

fore laid out and which shall have heretofore been opened and in actual use for three years, no action shall be brought by any person to nullify the same or any part thereof, after three months from the taking effect of this act.

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

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CHAPTER 158.

AN ACT authorizing the superintendent of public property to contract for telephone and telegraph service for use in the business of the state and amendatory of section 170 of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898, as amended by chapter 249, 258 and 299 of the laws of 1899.

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

Superintendent of public property to contract for service. SECTION 1. Section 170 of the Wisconsin statutes of 1898 as amended by chapter 249, 258 and 299 of the laws of 1899, is hereby amended by adding at the end of said section the following: The superintendent of public property is hereby authorized in behalf of the state to contract for telephone and telegraph service to be used in the performance of the business of the state by the elective officers and their assistants, the various state boards and officers existing under any law of this state, and for the use of each house of the legislature when in session, and all bills for such service shall, upon being audited by the secretary of state, be paid out of the general fund; provided that no officer or agent of the state who receives fees in full for services and expenses shall be entitled to such telephone or telegraph service at the expense of the state.

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

Approved April 12, 1901.