thousand feet for each and every thousand feet of logs and timber so received or stored in said booms, which shall be due and payable as soon as the amount thereof is ascertained.

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

Approved June 20, 1907.

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## CHAPTER 281.

AN ACT to create section 959—70m of the statutes, relating to power plants operated by towns.

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 as follows:

SECTION 2. All acts or parts of acts conflicting with this act are hereby repealed.

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(In effect July 1, 1907.)

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## CHAPTER 282.

AN ACT to amend sub-section four of section 2619 of the statutes, in relation to the place of trial of civil actions.

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

SECTION 1. Sub-section four of section 2619 of the statutes is amended to read as follows:

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the condition of said pension fund on the first Monday of May in each year, unless the same be a legal holiday, when said report shall be made as soon thereafter as possible.

(Ch. 214, 1907.)

Pensions exempt from seizure for debt. Section 959— 46t. No portion of said pension fund shall, either before or after its order of distribution by such pension boards to any disabled members of said fire departments or to the widow or guardian of such minor child or children of a deceased or retired member of such department be held, seized, taken, subject to, or detained or levied on by virtue of any attachment. execution, injunction, garnishment, writ, interlocutory or other order or decree or any process or proceeding whatsoever, issued out of, or by any court of this state, for the payment or satisfaction, in whole or in part, of any debt, damages, claim, demand or judgment against such member, or his said widow, or the guardian of said minor child or children of any deceased member; but the said fund shall be sacredly kept, held, secured and distributed for the purpose of pensioning the persons named in this act, and for no other purpose whatever.

(Ch. 214, 1907.)

Compulsory processes for testimony; clerk hire and printing. Section 959—46u. The boards herein provided shall, in addition to other powers herein granted, have power to compel witnesses to attend and testify before them upon all matters connected with the operation of this act in the same manner as is or may be provided by law for the taking of any testimony before notaries public, and the president or any member of any of said boards to administer oaths to such witnesses. The said boards shall have power to appoint a clerk and provide for the payment from said funds of all their necessary expenses including clerk hire and printing; provided that no compensation or emolument shall be paid to any member of any said boards for any duty required or performed under this act.

(Ch. 214, 1907.)

Division of town not to transmit power plants. Section 959—70m. In case of any town, operating under the provisions of subdivision 13 of section 776, of the statutes, which has constructed and is operating within any such village an electric lighting and water plant, or either, for public use of such village and which has for such purpose of operating

such lighting or water plant for such use, built and constructed in such town beyond the limits of any such village a dam, powerhouse or other structures for the creation and transmission of power necessary for their operation and used within any such village for the purpose aforesaid, whenever in any such case, a division is made of the territory of any such town by the creation of new towns or otherwise, any such dam, power-house or other structure and any line or lines of transmission used in connection therewith shall, upon any such division of territory being made be and remain the property of the town containing such village where such lights or water are furnished and used for public purposes as aforesaid and the right of such town containing such village to continue to maintain and operate any such dam, power-house or other structure or any line or lines of transmission connected therewith shall not be in any manner affected by any such division of territory.

(Ch. 281, 1907.)

Balance of benefits and damages. Section 959—76. If the balance between the benefits and damages accruing to property within such assessment district shall not be sufficient to pay the costs of the improvement, the balance shall be paid by the county, town, village or city out of any general fund or special fund created for that purpose, and any county, town, village or city shall have the power and authority to issue its negotiable bonds to pay for such improvement in the same manner as the issue of bonds is provided for by section 942—944 inclusive of the statutes of 1898. The cost of protecting the ends of streets, roads and public highways or other public grounds or places shall be paid wholly out of the general or special fund of such municipality.

(Ch. 59, 1907.)

Co-operation of municipalities. Section 959—77. Whenever the erection of such breakwater or protection piers shall be deemed necessary, the same may be done by any county, town, village or city, separately, or by two or more acting together. When two or more municipalities propose to work together in making such improvement, they shall first meet and adopt a method of procedure which shall be adopted by resolution of the county, town or village board and common council of any city.

(Ch. 59, 1907.)