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## CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT to create sections 1494—121 to 1494—124, inclusive, statutes of 1898, providing for the appraisal of and sale to the United States of certain lands in the Indian reservations of this state.

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

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes of 1898 four new sections to read:

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

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## CHAPTER 97.

AN ACT to amend section 257, of the statutes, relating to lease of swamp lands.

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

SECTION 1. Section 257, of the statutes, is amended to read:

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

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of the disallowance thereof by such board, and a request for the review of such action by the state forester. Such application shall be accompanied by an undertaking on the part of the applicant with one or more sureties, approved by the chairman or clerk of the town, for the payment of the expense of said forester upon such review in case the exemption claimed shall be disallowed by him. The state forester shall thereupon give notice of a time and place within the town at which he will hear the matter and any testimony that may be offered in relation thereto. A copy of such notice shall be mailed to the chairman and clerk of the town and to such applicant at least ten days before the time fixed in such notice. Said forester may adjourn such hearing from time to time if necessary, by filing notice thereof with the town clerk. He may review and inspect the premises and may summon and examine witnesses under oath. His determination shall be made in writing and filed with the town clerk as soon as practicable. Such determination upon written approval of the state tax commission shall be final, but if adverse to the claimant, it shall not preclude him from applying for like exemption in any subsequent year upon compliance with the requirements of this act.

(Ch. 592, 1907.)

Thirty years exemption. Section 1494—110. After the exemption provided in this act has once been allowed it shall continue for the period specified in this act unless cancelled by the state forester as provided in section 1494—103.

(Ch. 592, 1907.)

Corporations, etc., entitled to privilege. Section 1494—111. Any corporation, co-partnership or other association of persons, as well as individuals, shall be entitled to the exemption rights and privileges herein provided, upon compliance with the conditions and requirements of this act.

(Ch. 592, 1907.)

State lands of Indian reservations; appraisal. Section 1494—121. The state board of forestry of Wisconsin are hereby authorized in their discretion to cause an appraisal to be made of all state lands and the timber thereon which are included within any of the several Indian reservations in Wisconsin and to pay for said appraisal from the forest reserve fund.

(Ch. 96, 1907.)

Report. Section 1494—122. The results of said appraisal shall be reported by the state forester to the state board of forestry and to the commissioners of public lands of this state.

(Ch. 96, 1907.)

Sale to United States. Section 1494—123. When said appraisal is completed the said commissioners of public lands are hereby authorized to convey all the right, title and interest of the state therein to the United States if the United States within a reasonable time shall authorize the payment to the state of Wisconsin of the full amount found by said appraisal to be the value of said lands and the timber thereon.

(Ch. 96, 1907.)

Proceeds to forest reserve fund. Section 1494—124. All moneys received for said lands and timber thereon from the United States shall be paid into the state treasury and, except when otherwise disposed of by constitutional provision, shall constitute a part of the forest reserve fund, which part shall be disbursed only for the purchase of lands by the state to be added to the state forest reserve.

(Ch. 96, 1907.)

Forest reserve, tax sale purchases for. Section 1494—131. The commissioners of public lands are hereby authorized to acquire lands north of town 33 for the forest reserve by purchase at tax sales, and other lands which may be hereafter acquired by any county under tax deeds and also lands which have been heretofore acquired by said counties and which remain unsold.

(Ch. 491, 1907.)

County tax deeds; purchase by state. Section 1494—132. Whenever any county in this state north or partly north of town 33 is entitled to a tax deed upon a certificate of sale upon any real property in this state, the county clerk of such county shall at the time of deeding such land to the county, file in the office of the commissioners of public lands a list of said lands and the date of the tax deed and the record thereof, together with a statement of the total amount due the county for taxes, interest, fees and expenses in acquiring such tax title. The lands so acquired by any such county shall not