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CHAPTER 137.

AN ACT to amend sections 1494—131 and 1494—135 of the statutes, relating to the power of the commissioners of public lands to purchase certain lands for the forest reserve.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 1494—131 and 1494—135 of the statutes are amended to read: 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 hereafter be acquired by any county under tax deeds and also lands which have been heretofore acquired by said counties and which remain unsold. *The commissioners of public lands may also, upon the request of the state board of forestry, purchase other lands as additions to the state forest reserve.*

Section 1494—135. There is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act, so much money each year as may be necessary therefor, not exceeding ten thousand dollars per annum. *If all of said sum be not expended in any one year, the balance not so expended may be used for the purpose aforesaid in any subsequent year.*

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CHAPTER 138.

AN ACT to amend subsection 9 of section 669 of the statutes, relating to the power of county boards to aid agricultural societies.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection 9 of section 669 of the statutes is amended to read: (Section 669.) 9. To purchase land not exceeding in value the sum of eight thousand dollars for the purpose of holding thereon fairs and exhibitions of an agricultural character and to grant the use thereof from time to time to agricultural and other societies of similar nature. All fences, buildings, sheds and other improvements made on such

lands by societies using the same shall be the property of the county; and for the purpose of improving such lands the county board may receive donations of money, material or labor from any person, town, city or village in the county. Also to vote an amount not exceeding * * * *two thousand dollars in the aggregate for all societies in the county in any one year to aid in the purchase of, or to make improvements upon the fair grounds for any organized agricultural society, or to aid any organized agricultural society in its preparations for or conduct of its public exhibitions; and any amount so voted shall be paid upon demand by the county treasurer to the treasurer of such organized agricultural society, who shall keep an accurate record of the expenditure thereof by such society and file a verified copy of such record with the county clerk within one year after the receipt of such amount from the county treasurer. Providing that no appropriation shall be made to any agricultural society or other society of a similar nature in excess of or in preference to any appropriation for any other such society in the county.*

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

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CHAPTER 139.

AN ACT to create sections 1636—136 to 1636—139, inclusive, of the statutes, relating to the regulation of wood-sawing machines.

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

SECTION 1. There are added to the statutes four new sections to read: Section 1636—136. No person, firm or corporation shall offer or expose for sale any machine for the purpose of sawing wood unless the said machine shall be provided with reasonable safety devices for the protection from accidents from saws, gears, knuckles, belts, set screws or other dangerous parts.

Section 1636—137. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation owning such machine to use, operate or permit to be used or operated any such machine while the safety devices or guards are detached.

Section 1636—138. Any such person, firm or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be