finement until he shall so testify or do such act, or be discharged by order of such judge or commissioner, or according to law. The sheriff of the county shall execute such warrant, and the keeper of such jail is required to receive and safely keep such person according to such commitment.

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

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CHAPTER 141.

AN ACT to amend section 4440a of the statutes, relating to injury to car, engine, etc.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 4440a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 4440a. Any person who shall, individually or in association with one or more others, wilfully break, injure, tamper with, or remove any part or parts of any electric, horse, or other railway car, coach, or locomotive, or any automobile, or other similar motor vehicle, or any other portable vehicle or traction engine, or any part or parts of any stationary engine, machine, implement, or machinery for the purpose of injuring, defacing, or destroying such locomotive, engine, car, coach, automobile, or other vehicle, implement, or machinery, or of preventing the useful operation thereof or any other purpose, or who shall in any other way wilfully or maliciously interfere with or prevent the running or operation of any locomotive, engine, automobile, or other vehicle, or machinery shall be punished as provided in the preceding section.

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

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CHAPTER 142.

AN ACT to create section 1770j of the statutes, relating to titles to real property acquired by foreign corporations before being admitted to do business pursuant to section 1770b of the statutes.

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: Section 1770j. 1. Any corporation organized otherwise

than under the laws of this state, having acquired, or attempted to acquire, legal title by deed, or lease to any real property in this state, before complying with the terms of section 1770b of the statutes, or acts amendatory thereof, and which has thereafter, and before the passage of this act, complied with said section, shall be and is hereby relieved from any disability provided in said statute or prohibition therein contained, so far as said section relates to the acquisition and holding of the property so acquired, or attempted to be acquired.

2. Any person claiming that the legal title of any corporation or of any person claiming by, through, or under such corporation, to any real property acquired, or attempted to be acquired, is invalid by reason of the failure of any corporation coming within the terms of subsection 1 of this act, to comply with section 1770b of the statutes, or acts amendatory thereof, shall commence action to recover the property, or to declare the legal title of said corporation void, or interpose a defense on such grounds, within one year from the passage and publication of this act, and in case of failure to do so his right of action or defense, based upon the failure to comply with said section by any such corporation, shall be deemed to have expired; provided that this act shall not affect any action now pending.

(Am. 1911, e. 664, s. 12.)

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

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CHAPTER 143.

AN ACT to create section 4570m of the statutes, to prevent the unreasonable wasting or the malicious injury, destruction, or impairment of any natural resource.

Whereas, The unreasonable wasting or the malicious injury, destruction, or impairment of any natural resource is inimical and detrimental to the general public welfare, therefore

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: Section 4570m. 1. It is hereby made unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation, unreasonably to waste or maliciously to injure, destroy, or impair any natural resource within this state.

2. It is the purpose of this act to promote and secure the conservation of the natural resources within the state in the interests of the public welfare.