

No. 554, A.]

[Published June 9, 1913]

CHAPTER 449.

AN ACT relating to interstate bridges owned and operated by any Wisconsin corporation.

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

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of any corporation incorporated under the laws of this state and which has been granted franchise or permit by the United States congress to construct maintain and operate a railroad bridge and provide for the passage of pedestrians, wagons, vehicles and all kinds of street railway and motor cars across the waters forming a boundary line between this and any other state and to forever maintain such bridge in accessible and serviceable condition, to construct or cause to be constructed, approaches making such bridge accessible and serviceable for the use of pedestrians, wagons, vehicle and all kinds of street railway and motor cars as a connection between this state and the state connected therewith by such bridge, so that such bridge shall be accessible and serviceable to pedestrians, wagons and vehicles and all kinds of street railway and motor cars at the time such bridge is used for railroad service, and if any such corporation shall fail or refuse to comply with the provisions of this act within one year from the time such bridge is used for railroad service the charter of such corporation granted by this state shall thereupon be ipso facto forfeited without any further action whatever and such corporation shall forthwith discontinue the transaction or operation of its business in this state.

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

Approved June 6, 1913.

No. 612, A.]

[Published June 9, 1913]

CHAPTER 450

AN ACT to amend section 926—125q of the statutes, relating to court orders and acts of the common councils of cities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 926—125q of the statutes is amended to read: Section 926—125q. No action shall hereafter be brought or maintained to annul or set aside any final order of any circuit court, or action of the common council of any city, heretofore made or entered for the vacation of any public grounds

waterways, plat, street, * * * *avenue, alley, slip or pier, or any part thereof, * * * unless such action be commenced within * * * six months from the passage and publication of this act; and at the end of such six months such attempted vacations shall be hereby validated except as they may be invalidated by actions then pending. If any such action shall be commenced by any person whose interest can be fully compensated in damages, this fact may be found in the action and the plaintiff's damages assessed, and a payment of such damages by any person interested in the vacation shall terminate such action, without affecting the validity of the vacation.*

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

Approved June 6, 1913.

No. 919, A.]

[Published June 9, 1913.]

CHAPTER 451.

AN ACT to create section 925—260m of the statutes, relating to disposition of money by city official having authority to countersign, or holding the money in his official capacity, when informed by the city attorney that the law is questionable.

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 925—260m. Any city official of any city, no matter how organized, who is holding money in his official capacity, or any city official who has authority to countersign may, if informed in writing by the city attorney when demand is made for the money or demand is made that he countersign a resolution or ordinance involving the expenditure of money, that doubt exists in regard to the legality of the resolution or ordinance passed involving the expenditure of money, immediately refuse to act further in such matter until such matter is determined by the courts, and no costs shall be taxed against the party himself, but in case any costs shall be taxed, or damages, in case any damages shall be provided, are awarded, they shall be paid by the city.

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

Approved June 6, 1913.