

strued as authorizing any of the things prohibited in sections 4575h to 4575la of the statutes.

2. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than one hundred dollars with cost of prosecution and, in default thereof, by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed thirty days.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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### CHAPTER 370.

AN ACT to create section 1798g of the statutes, relating to claims for damages against express companies.

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

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: Section 1798g. The amount finally paid or recovered upon any claim for damages to any shipment filed with any express company operating in this state, shall after one hundred and twenty days from the date of such filing bear interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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### CHAPTER 371.

AN ACT to amend sections 1786e—1 and 1786e—7 of the statutes, relating to cooperative associations.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 1786e—1 and 1786e—7 of the statutes are amended to read: Section 1786e—1. Any number of persons, not less than five, may associate themselves as a cooperative association, society, company or exchange, for the purpose of conducting any agricultural, dairy, mercantile, mining, manufacturing or mechanical business on the cooperative plan, and of acting as a selling agency for its members or patrons. For the purposes of sections 1786e—1 to 1786e—17, inclusive, the words "association," "company," "corporation," "exchange," "society" or "union," shall be construed to mean the same.