

182.10 The books of every corporation containing the stock subscriptions and accounts shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of the stockholders *for any proper purpose*; and every creditor of a corporation shall be informed at any time of the amount of capital stock of such corporation subscribed, the amount paid in, who the stockholders are, the number of shares of stock owned by each and the amount unpaid by each stockholder upon the shares owned by him, and if any shares of stock, which were not fully paid for have been transferred within 6 months of the time of inquiry, the name of the person who transferred the same and the amount due thereon at the date of such transfer. And the officers of such corporation shall furnish any such creditor correct information thereof. And any officer refusing, when requested so to do, shall be liable for any damage caused thereby.

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

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CHAPTER 293.

AN ACT to repeal 330.14, to renumber 330.15 to be 330.14 and to create 330.15 of the statutes, limiting the time for bringing actions affecting the title to real estate.

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

SECTION 1. Section 330.14 of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 330.15 is renumbered 330.14 of the statutes.

SECTION 3. Section 330.15 of the statutes is created to read:

330.15 ACTIONS CONCERNING REAL ESTATE. (1) Except as provided in subsection (5) hereof, no action affecting the possession or title of any real estate shall be commenced by any person, corporation, state, or any political subdivision thereof after January 1, 1943, which is founded upon any unrecorded instrument executed more than 30 years prior to the commencement of such action, or upon any instrument recorded

more than 30 years prior to the date of commencement of the action, or upon any transaction more than 30 years old, unless within 30 years after the execution of such unrecorded instrument or within 30 years after the date of recording of such recorded instrument, or within 30 years after the date of such transaction there is filed in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which the real estate is located, a notice setting forth the name of the claimant, a description of the real estate affected and of the instrument or transaction on which such claim is founded, with its date and the volume and page of its recording, if it be recorded, and a statement of the claims made. This notice shall be filed and may be discharged the same as a notice of pendency of action. Such notice filed after the expiration of 30 years shall be likewise effective, except as to the rights of a purchaser for value of the real estate or any interest therein which may have arisen prior to such filing.

(2) The filing of such notice shall extend for 30 years from the date of filing, the time in which any action founded upon the written instrument or transaction referred to in the notice may be commenced; and like notices may thereafter be filed with like effect before the expiration of each successive 30-year period.

(3) This section does not extend the right to commence any action beyond the date at which such right would be extinguished by any other statute.

(4) This section shall be construed to effect the legislative purpose of allowing bona fide purchasers of real estate, or of any interest therein, dealing with the person, if any, in possession, to rely on the record title covering a period of not more than 30 years prior to the date of purchase and to bar all claims to an interest in real property, whether dower (which for the purpose of this section shall be considered as based on the title of the husband without regard to the date of marriage), inchoate or consummate, curtesy, remainders, reversions, mortgage liens, old tax deeds, rights as heirs or under wills, or any claim of any nature whatsoever, however denominated, and whether such claims are asserted by a person sui juris or under disability, whether such person is within or without the state, and whether such person is natural or corporate, or private or governmental, unless within such 30-year period there has been recorded some

record evidence of the existence of such claim or unless a notice of renewal pursuant hereto has been filed. This section does not apply to any action commenced by any person who is in possession of the real estate involved as owner at the time the action is commenced.

(5) Actions to enforce easements, or covenants restricting the use of real estate set forth in any instrument of public record shall not be barred by this section for a period of 60 years after the date of record of such instrument, and the timely filing of notices of renewal shall extend such time for 60-year periods from such filing.

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CHAPTER 294.

AN ACT to amend 340.01 and 340.26; and to create 340.271 of the statutes, relating to negligent homicide and providing penalties.

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

SECTION 1. Section 340.01 of the statutes is amended to read:

340.01 The killing of a human being, without the authority of law, by poison, shooting, stabbing, or any other means or in any other manner is either murder, manslaughter, *negligent homicide*, or excusable or justifiable homicide, according to the facts and circumstances of each case.

SECTION 2. Section 340.26 of the statutes is amended to read:

340.26 Every other killing of a human being by the act, procurement, or gross negligence of another, *except negligent homicide*, where such killing is not justifiable or excusable, or is not declared in this chapter murder or manslaughter of some other degree, shall be deemed manslaughter in the fourth degree.

SECTION 3. Section 340.271 of the statutes is created to read:

340.271 NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE. (1) Any person who by operation of any vehicle while under the influence of alco-