

president of the senate, to be paid on the certificate of the secretary of state, and a sum sufficient is hereby appropriated to be paid out of any money in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Approved Oct. 11th, 1856.

CHAPTER 124.

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An Act to authorize Incorporated Cities and Villages to regulate the Sale of Goods, Wares, Merchandise and other property at auction.

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

SECTION 1. The common or city council of any city, and the board of trustees of any incorporated village in this state, are hereby authorized to regulate the sale of any goods, wares, merchandise, or other property, sold at auction within their respective cities or villages. To regulate auction sales.

SEC. 2. Such regulation shall be made by ordinance passed in the same manner as other ordinances are by law authorized to be passed, and may prohibit, by proper fines or penalties, all persons from selling any goods, wares, merchandise or other property at auction, within any such city or village, without first having obtained a license therefor, and may also require any auctioneer so licensed, to make quarterly or monthly reports, verified by his affidavit, to the clerk of any such city or village, showing the amount of all such sales made by him subsequent to the date of his last preceding report, and may also require any such auctioneer to pay as a tax to the treasurer of any such city or village, any sum not exceeding two per centum upon such sales, and also may require such licensed auctioneer to execute official bonds for the faithful compliance with the terms of such ordinance, but it shall not be lawful to charge less than five dollars nor more than fifty dollars for any such license, for one year, by virtue of this act: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall prohibit, or in any manner affect the sale at auction of any Regulations, how made. Proviso.

goods, wares, merchandise, or other property, which may be offered for sale by virtue of the judgment, order or decree of any court, or by the provisions of any law of this state or of the United States.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

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CHAPTER 125.

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An Act to provide for the disposal and sale of the Swamp and Overflowed Lands.

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

To provide for disposal of swamp and overflowed lands.

SECTION 1. All the lands granted to this state by an act of congress, entitled "an act to enable the state of Arkansas and other states to reclaim the swamp and overflowed lands within their limits," approved September 28, 1850, shall be sold by the attorney general, secretary of state and state treasurer, whenever the governor shall deem it expedient so to do. Such sale shall be conducted in the manner and under the restrictions provided for the sale of the school and university lands, in chapter twenty-four of the revised statutes, so far as said provisions may be applicable, and not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Pre-emption rights.

SEC. 2. In all cases of pre-emption, under the act of the legislature, entitled "an act for the protection of the swamp and overflowed lands of the state, and to grant pre-emption rights thereon," approved April 2, 1856, the pre-emptors, upon complying with the provisions of this and the last aforesaid act, shall have the right to purchase in virtue of such pre-emption, one hundred and sixty acres of said swamp or overflowed lands, at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre; all and every of the pre-emption rights granted by the aforesaid act, approved April 2, 1855, are hereby secured to every person who,