

Secretary of state to prepare and print game and fish laws in pamphlet form for distribution by wardens.

Appropriation.

Not to interfere with chapter 455, laws 1885.

state of Wisconsin, and shall cause five thousand copies of such pamphlets to be furnished to said game wardens for their own information and for distribution among the people of the state.

SECTION 7. A sum sufficient to pay the expenses to be incurred under the provisions of this act is hereby appropriated.

SECTION 8. This act shall not apply or in any-wise interfere with the provisions of chapter 455, laws of 1885, or any act relating to the fishing industries of Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, Chequamegon Bay, Green Bay and Sturgeon Bay, or the state fish commission.

SECTION 9. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 12, 1887.

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## CHAPTER 457.

AN ACT to appropriate a certain sum of money therein named to the heirs of those persons who were killed, and to those persons who were injured by the falling of the south wing of the capitol November 8, 1883.

WHEREAS, A large number of bills have been introduced in this session of the legislature asking for appropriations for and on account of loss of life and injuries received in the capitol disaster, November 8, A. D. 1883, substantially the same bills having been introduced at the legislative session 1885, and being disallowed by the legislature, no appeal having been taken or other legal proceedings instituted by the said claimants against the state pursuant to law, the said claimants thus recognizing the non-liability of the state; and

WHEREAS, It further appears upon the evidence submitted to the joint committee on claims, that some of the persons injured and the relatives of some of those killed are worthy of help, and the legislature being willing that the state should do

what would be a proper and worthy course for a private individual to do under like circumstances; and

WHEREAS, There is a great conflict in the testimony as to the actual necessities of the claimants, the negligence and blame for the disaster of some of the parties killed or injured, some of those the least deserving being the most importunate; and

WHEREAS, The time to ascertain all the facts in each case is altogether too limited for any committee of this legislature to properly investigate; and

WHEREAS, The governor of this state did at the time of said accident and for a long time thereafter, expend large sums of money for the state in caring for those persons injured and in looking after their wants, and did thus, by virtue of the duties imposed upon him, become quite familiar with each case of injury and the necessities of the various parties, and reposing full confidence in his judgment, integrity and ability; therefore

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

SECTION 1. The governor and attorney-general of this state are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to pay to the widow or the children of each of the persons killed in the capitol disaster of November 8, A. D. 1883, a sum of money not exceeding two thousand dollars. To those persons who sustained injuries, such a sum as will reasonably compensate them for loss of time incurred by such parties by reason of injuries received in such disaster. In determining the amount to be paid under the provisions of this act, the amount heretofore paid by the governor in caring for the several individuals at and after the time of the disaster shall be deducted from the amount allowed.

Appropriation to heirs of persons killed in the capitol disaster.

SECTION 2. Should any claim be made for permanent injuries, the governor and attorney-general are authorized in their discretion, to employ not exceeding three medical experts to examine the parties claiming such permanent injury.

Permanent injuries -- claim, how established.

SECTION 3. Upon the payment to the several parties of money under the provisions of this act, the governor and attorney-general shall take such

Receipts to be taken for payments.

acknowledgment in writing as they shall deem best for the interest of the state. They shall also make and file in the executive office a report in writing of their doings under the provisions of this act.

Not to be taken as an acknowledgment of liability on part of state.

SECTION 4. It is expressly declared that the money appropriated under the provisions of this act, is appropriated as a gratuity, and shall never be construed as an acknowledgement of any liability upon the part of the state in any manner for the accident occurring on the 8th day of November, 1883, and known as the capitol disaster.

Appropriation of \$15,000 to carry out provisions of this act.

SECTION 5. There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum of fifteen thousand dollars to carry out the provisions of this act. The secretary of state shall draw his warrant upon the state treasurer for such sums payable to such persons as the governor shall direct.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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[No. 201, S.]

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## CHAPTER 458.

AN ACT to amend chapter 37, of the laws of 1885, entitled, "an act to incorporate the city of Kaukauna."

(See Vol. 2.)

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[No. 262, S.]

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## CHAPTER 459.

AN ACT to amend the charter of the city of Milwaukee, and to provide for an inspector of buildings in said city.

(See Vol. 2.)