

person in securing, any office or public employment or any nomination, confirmation, promotion or increase of salary, upon the consideration or condition that the vote or political influence or action of the last named person, or any other, shall be given or used in behalf of any candidate, officer or party, or upon any other corrupt condition or consideration.

Repealing section.

SECTION 12. Any acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions thereof, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 13. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 219.

AN ACT to declare the lakes herein named, situated in the county of Waupaca, known as the "chain of lakes," navigable lakes and public highways, and to regulate the running of vessels thereon.

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

Certain lakes in the county of Waupaca declared navigable.

SECTION 1. The chain of lakes comprising the following bodies of water, to-wit: Clem, Hicks, Rainbow, McCrossen, Round, Columbian and Long lakes are hereby declared to be navigable lakes for boats and other vessels, together with the connecting waters, between the south half of section twenty-seven, township twenty-two north, range eleven east, to the south line of sections four and five, town-

ship twenty-one north, range eleven east, in the said county.

SECTION 2. It shall not be lawful for any person or persons to obstruct or interfere with the free use of such lakes and connecting waters, in the passage of boats and other vessels therein, between the limits mentioned in section 1, of this act, by the erection of any dam, boom, pier, gates, fences or bridges in, upon, over or across the same, or by any other erection or obstruction whatever.

Obstructions in said lakes unlawful.

#### LIGHTS.

SECTION 3. All steam vessels navigating the lakes herein named shall carry the following lights and no others, in all weather, from sunset to sun-rise:

Steam vessels to carry lights.

A. On or in the forepart of the vessel at a height above the hull of not less than the beam of the vessel, a bright white light so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of twenty points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light ten points on each side of the vessel, namely: From right ahead to two points abaft the beam on either side, of such character as to be visible at a distance of one mile.

White lights and mode of carrying the same.

B. On the starboard side, a green light, so constructed as to throw an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the starboard side, and of such character as to be visible at least one-half mile.

Green lights and how carried.

C. On the port side, a red light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the port side, and of such a character as to be visible at least one-half mile. The said green and red lights shall be fitted with in-board screens projecting at least three feet forward from the

Red lights and how carried.

light, so as to prevent these lights from being seen across the bow.

STEERING.

How to steer when meeting end on.

A. When two steam vessels are meeting end on, or nearly end on, so as to involve risk of collision, each shall alter her course to starboard so that each shall pass on the port side of the other.

When they are crossing one vessel to keep on her course.

B. When two steam vessels are crossing, so as to involve risk of collision, the vessel that has the other on her own starboard side shall keep out of the way of the other.

C. Where, by and of these rules herein prescribed, one of two vessels shall keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed.

Steam vessels to keep out of the way of sailing vessels.

D. Steam vessels shall in all cases keep out of the way of sailing vessels.

E. Every vessel overtaking any other shall keep out of the way of the overtaken vessel.

In overtaking a vessel; whistle signals described.

F. Every steam vessel under way in taking any course authorized or required by these rules, shall indicate that course by the following signals on her whistle, to be accompanied whenever required by corresponding with her helm; and every steam vessel receiving a signal from another shall promptly respond with the same signal; unless the pilot of the steam vessel to which a passing signal is sounded deems it unsafe to accept and assent to said signal, he shall not sound a cross signal; but in that case, and in every case where the pilot of one steamer fails to understand the course or intentions of an approaching steamer, from any cause, the pilot of such steamer so receiving the first passing signal, or the pilot so in doubt, shall sound several short and rapid blasts of the whistle; and as they shall approach each other both shall reduce their speed to bare steerage way, and if necessary stop and reverse. One blast to mean, "I am directing my course to starboard;" two blasts to mean, "I am directing my course to port." But the

giving or answering of signals by a vessel required to keep her course shall not vary the duties and obligations of the respective vessels.

SECTION 4. Any owner, pilot, employe or other person or persons, violating any of the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined in a sum not to exceed ten dollars for each and every violation; and the owner or owners of such vessel shall be liable to any person or persons for all damage caused by such violation.

Penalty for violating any of the provisions of this act.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 220.

AN ACT to amend section 1, of chapter 206, of the laws of 1895, entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation of societies organized for the purpose of securing homes for orphans or abandoned, neglected or grossly ill-treated children, by adoption or otherwise, and providing rules for the regulation of the same."

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

SECTION 1. Section 1, of chapter 206, of the laws of 1895, is hereby amended so as to read as follows: "Any corporation heretofore organized, or which shall be hereafter organized under the provisions of chapter 86, of the revised

Relating to securing homes for orphans or abandoned children; rules provided for the regulation of the same.