

record with the lumber inspector of the district, a notice showing the total number of logs so salvaged during the previous month, a description of the marks, if any, appearing thereon, and the number of logs bearing each such mark, and the place where such logs were salvaged. The owner of any log, or interest therein, claiming the same within thirty days after the recording of such notice, shall be entitled to recover such log, the proceedings thereof, or lumber cut therefrom, or to enforce his interest therein, subject, however, to a lien for reasonable compensation for the salvage thereof and labor performed thereon. Logs or the proceeds thereof, or lumber cut therefrom, not so claimed shall belong to the person, firm or corporation salvaging such logs, except that no logs shall be salvaged from those portions of the Menominee and Brule Rivers which constitute boundary lines between the states of Wisconsin and Michigan and their tributaries nor from the Wisconsin River and its tributaries north of the city of Rhinelander nor from the Peshtigo River.

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

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## CHAPTER 288.

AN ACT to authorize the sale of county bonds for highway purposes authorized prior to January 1, 1921, at a rate of interest higher than five per centum, and authorizing a rate of interest higher than five per centum for future county highway bond issues in certain cases.

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

SECTION 1. The county board of any county at any regular meeting or at any special meeting held prior to July 1, 1923, may by a two-thirds vote of the members present, authorize the sale of any county highway bonds authorized to be issued by the county board or by the electors of the county in accordance with the provisions of sections 1317m—12 and 1317m—12a prior to January 1, 1921, and not yet sold, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per centum per annum.

SECTION 2. The county board of any county at any regular meeting or at any special meeting held prior to July 1, 1923, may

by a two-thirds vote of the members present authorize the issuance of county highway bonds under the provisions of section 1317m—12, at a rate of interest not exceeding six per centum per annum.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 289.

AN ACT to create section 3716d of the statutes, relating to the protection of laborers and materialmen who furnish labor or material in public improvements.

*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 3716d. 1. Any person, firm or corporation furnishing any material, apparatus, fixtures, machinery or labor to any contractor for public improvements in this state, except in cities of the first class, however organized, shall have a lien on the money, or bonds, or warrants due or to become due such contractor for such improvements; providing, such person, firm or corporation shall, before the payment is made to such contractor, notify the officials of the state, county, township, city, or municipality, whose duty it is to pay such contractor, of his claim by written notice. It shall be the duty of such officer so notified to withhold a sufficient amount to pay such claim until it is admitted or by law established and thereupon to pay the amount thereof to such person and such payment shall be a credit on the contract price to be paid such contractor. Any officer violating the duty hereby imposed upon him shall be liable on his official bond to the person serving such notice for the damages resulting from such violation which may be recovered in an action at law in any court of competent jurisdiction. There shall be no preference between the persons serving such notices, but all shall be paid pro rata in proportion to the amount under their respective contracts.

2. Whenever practicable, service of the notice provided for in subsection 1 shall be made both upon the clerk and treasurer of the municipality. In case any portion of the money due the contractor is payable by the state of Wisconsin notice of afore-