

and impression of his official seal. The notary public shall, at the time of his appointment, pay into the state treasury the sum of two dollars, which shall be in full for his commission and the certificate of the secretary of state. All certificates heretofore or hereafter made by clerks of courts as to the qualifications of notaries public, based upon the filing of their commissions in his office, previous to the passage of this act, shall be as valid and lawful, and shall have the same effect as though a certificate of the secretary of state together with such notary's autograph and an impression of his notarial seal had been filed with such clerk.

Certificates heretofore issued by clerks of courts legalized.

SECTION 2. It shall hereafter be the duty of the secretary of state to give not less than thirty days' notice by mail to every notary public, of the time when his commission will expire.

Duty of secretary of state to give notice.

SECTION 4. If any person shall, after the first day of May, 1877, knowingly act as a notary public, exercise any authority, or enter upon the discharge of any duty appertaining to such office, without being duly qualified according to law, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall upon conviction be punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars.

Penalty for acting as notary without proper authority.

SECTION 5. If any person shall be damaged or injured by the unlawful act, negligence or misconduct of any notary public, the person damaged or injured may maintain a civil action on the bond of such notary public, against such notary public and his sureties, and a recovery in such action shall not be a bar to actions on such bond for any other cause or causes, to the full amount of such bond.

Bond of notary liable for injury done by act of notary.

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

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CHAPTER 139.

AN ACT to provide for the alteration and the discontinuance of portions of the state road from Black River Falls, in Jackson county, to the city of La Crosse, in La Crosse county.

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

SECTION 1. J. A. Johnson, Henry Davis and Frank Wauchter are hereby appointed commissioners to alter

Alteration of state road between Black

River Falls and La Crosse. and discontinue portions of the state road from the village of Black River Falls, in Jackson county, to the city of La Crosse, in La Crosse county. Said alteration to be made in the towns of Melrose and Irving, in said county of Jackson, as follows, to-wit: Alteration No. 1: Commence in the center of said state road at a point about ten rods east of the section line on the east side of section 34, and in a northeasterly direction from the southeast corner of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of said section 34, town number 20, of range number 5 west, thence southwesterly on the most feasible route to intersect said state road again east of what is known as Plummer's Creek, and to take up and discontinue all of said state road between the two points above named. Alteration No. 2: Commence on the town line in the center of said state road, between towns number 20 and 19, near the northeast corner of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section number 3, in township number 19, of range number 5 west, running thence west on said town line to the northwest corner of said section number 3, thence in a southwesterly direction, on the most feasible route to intersect the said state road survey in the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section number 4, in said town and range, and to take up and discontinue all of said state road lying between the two points above named.

Commissioners to make map of road and file with county clerk. SECTION 2. After said commissioners have made said alteration, they shall make out a map or draft, as well of the parts discontinued, as of the alteration made, together with a survey bill of the same, and file them with the county clerk of Jackson county.

Per diem of commissioners. SECTION 3. The said commissioners shall receive for making such alteration such compensation for their services, from Jackson county, as the supervisors of said county shall deem just and reasonable, but no money shall be paid out of the state treasury therefor.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 3, 1877.