

occur in the twenty-second line from the top of the page on page six hundred and seventy-seven of said statutes, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "on the Tuesday after the third Monday," so that the paragraph shall read as follows: In the county of Marquette on the Tuesday after the first Monday in January, and on the Tuesday after the third Monday in June.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 30, 1881.

[No. 158, A.]

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### CHAPTER 239.

AN ACT in relation to dams and amendatory of sections one thousand six hundred and one and one thousand six hundred two of chapter seventy of the revised statutes.

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

SECTION 1. Section one thousand six hundred and one of chapter seventy of the revised statutes, is hereby amended so as to read as follows, to-wit: Section 1601. Every dam constructed or maintained in the Wisconsin or Black rivers, shall be furnished with a slide or chute, for the passage of rafts and water crafts, which shall be forty feet in width, constructed of hewn timber, or hewn timber and planks, made tight and sunk at the upper end, together with that part of the dam beneath it, two feet lower than the remainder of such dam; such slide or chute shall be built of sufficient length to graduate the descent from its top to the mean level of the water below at the rate of five feet in each fifty feet of length, provided that nothing in this section contained shall be so construed as to apply to dams maintained exclusively for flooding purposes, but all such flooding dams are excepted from the provisions of this section.

Dimensions of slides and chutes.

SECTION 2. Section one thousand six hundred and two of chapter seventy of the revised statutes, is hereby so amended as to read as follows: Section 1602. Every dam constructed or maintained in any of the tributary streams of said rivers which shall have been declared to be navigable, or shall be actually navigated by rafts, shall be furnished with a slide or chute of not less than twenty-five feet in width; such slide or chute shall be built of sufficient length to graduate the descent from its top to the mean level of the water.

Slides and chutes in tributary streams.

below at the rate of not more than one inch in each foot of length; the place of such slide or chute shall be plainly indicated by at least one buoy, placed opposite the center of such slide or chute, and twenty yards above the dam.

Slides and chutes to permit the passage of rafts.

SECTION 3. The owner or owners of any such dam or dams in any of said tributary streams of said rivers, shall open such slide or chute for the passage of any raft, logs, timber, lumber or water craft at any and all times the person or persons having charge of any such raft, logs, timber, lumber or water craft, shall desire to pass such slide or chute therewith, without any charge or toll therefor, but it shall not be required of the owner or owners of any such dam or dams to otherwise aid in any manner to put any such raft, logs, timber, lumber or water craft, through any such slide or chute in any such dam in said tributary streams.

Repealed.

SECTION 4. All acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

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

Approved March 30, 1881.

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## CHAPTER 240.

AN ACT to prevent actions being brought upon county, city, town and school orders, for a time therein named.

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

When actions may be brought

SECTION 1. No action shall hereafter be brought upon any county, city, town or school order, until the expiration of thirty days after a demand for the payment of the same shall have been made.

When judgment shall not be entered.

SECTION 2. If an action is brought in violation of the preceding section, and the defendant fails to appear and defend the same, the court or the clerk thereof shall not permit judgment to be entered, and if judgment is entered, the same shall be absolutely void.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 30, 1881.