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## CHAPTER 42.

AN ACT concerning corporations heretofore organized under chapter 146 of the laws of 1872, and to cure certain omissions in the organization thereof, and adding section 1772b to the statutes of 1898.

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

**Curative provisions.** SECTION 1. A new section is hereby created and added to the statutes of 1898, to be known and designated as section 1772b and which shall read as follows:

"Other Curative Provisions. Section 1772b. Whenever in the organization of corporations under chapter 146 of the laws of 1872, articles of association were made and adopted and signed by the persons forming such corporation, and there may have been a failure to make and record a verified copy thereof in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which such corporation is located, and such association, organization or corporation has in good faith carried on business and acted as a corporation for twenty-five years or more, such failure to make and record a verified copy of the articles of association shall not affect the validity of the corporation, but the same shall be a body corporate from and after the date of the making, adopting and signing of the articles of association, the same as though a verified copy had been duly made and recorded in the office of the register of deeds. Whenever any such corporation shall in good faith have attempted to change its corporate name, and shall in good faith have carried on and conducted its business under such changed name for a period of twenty-five years or more, and shall record its original articles of incorporation, or the copy thereof, with the register of deeds, of the county in which such corporation has its principal office, and in case the said original articles of incorporation, or a copy thereof, cannot be obtained, a certificate from the secretary of state showing that no such articles nor a copy thereof can be found in his office, its acts, doings and proceedings heretofore done or which shall hereafter be done in or under such changed name shall be as valid and binding and as good in law as though done in or under the name contained in its original articles of association."

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

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## CHAPTER 43.

AN ACT to prescribe the standard measures for the use of the Babcock test in determining the per cent. of butter fat in milk or cream; to prevent the sale of incorrectly marked implements for use in the said test; and to prescribe the penalty for false determination by said Babcock test or otherwise.

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

**Standard measures adopted for Babcock test.** SECTION 1. In the use of the Babcock test, the standard milk measures or pipettes shall have a capacity of 17.6 cubic centimeters, and the standard test tubes or bottles for milk shall have a capacity of 2 cubic centimeters for each 10 per cent. marked on the necks thereof; cream shall be tested by weight and the standard unit for testing shall be 18 grams, and it is hereby made a misdemeanor to use any other standards of milk or cream measure where milk or cream is purchased by or furnished to creameries or cheese factories and where the value of said milk or cream is determined by the per cent. of butter fat contained in the same, or wherever the value of milk or cream is determined by the per cent. of butter fat contained in the same by the Babcock test.

**Sale of false measure a misdemeanor.** SECTION 2. Any manufacturer, merchant, dealer or agent in this state who shall offer for sale or sell a milk pipette or measure, test tube or bottle which is not correctly marked or graduated as herein provided shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as provided in section 4 of this act.

**To under-read or over-read unlawful.** SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful for the owner, manager, agent or any employee of a cheese factory, creamery, or condensed milk factory to manipulate or under-read or over-read the Babcock test or any other