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CHAPTER 279.

AN ACT relating to the obstruction of rivers, canals, water channels and slips.

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

Removal of obstructions. SECTION 1. The common council of every city, or board of trustees of every village, in this state, are hereby authorized to remove any boat, water craft or float obstructing or interfering with the free use for navigation of any river, canal, water channel, or slip within its harbor after having given reasonable notice to the owner or agent, if known and a resident of the state, to so remove such boat, water craft or float; and may by ordinance or resolution authorize and empower the harbor master, or other public officer performing such duties, to remove such obstruction; and to designate and prescribe his duties, and the manner and form of carrying into effect the powers hereby granted and provide penalties for the violation thereof and failure to comply therewith.

Costs of removal to constitute lien. SECTION 2. All costs, charges, and expenses of moving any boat, water craft or float shall be a lien on said boat, water craft or float, and the proper officer or officers of every city or village are authorized and empowered to enforce the payment of such lien in the manner provided by law. The owner or owners of any such boat, water craft or float shall also be personally liable for such costs, charges and expenses, to be recovered by such city or village by a suit as in personal actions.

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

Approved June 1, 1905.