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CHAPTER 391.

AN ACT to create section 1947p of the statutes, requiring foreign stock life insurance companies to determine and report the respective rights of policyholders and stockholders in unassigned surplus before being licensed to do business in this state.

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

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section to read:

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CHAPTER 392.

AN ACT To amend sections 3 and 4 of chapter 219 of the laws of 1897, relating to the regulation of vessels on the Chain o' Lakes in Waupaca county.

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

Lights; steering; speed; whistles. SECTION 1. Section 3 of chapter 219 of the laws of 1897 is amended to read: Section 3. 1. *Lights.* All * * * vessels *propelled by steam, gasoline, naphtha or electricity or boats propelled in any other manner than by hand power*, navigating the lakes herein named, shall carry the following lights and no others, in all weather, from sunset to sunrise; and be governed by and subject to all of the rules and regulations herein specified.

A. On or in the fore part of the vessel at a height * * * of not less than * * * one foot above the deck of the vessel, a bright white light so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon twenty points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light ten points on each side of the vessel, namely: From right ahead to two points abaft the beam on either side, of such character as to be visible at a distance of one mile.

B. On the starboard side, a green light, so constructed as to throw an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the starboard side, and of such character as to be visible at least one-half mile.

C. On the port side, a red light, so constructed as to show an unbroken light over an arc of the horizon of ten points of the compass, so fixed as to throw the light from right ahead to two points abaft the beam on the port side, and of such a character as to be visible at least one-half mile. The said green and red light shall be fitted with in-board screens * * * or other devices, so as to prevent these lights from being seen across the bow.

2. *Steering.* A. When two * * * vessels are meeting end on, or nearly end on, so as to involve risk of collision, each shall alter her course to starboard so that each shall pass on the port side of the other.

B. When two * * * vessels are crossing, so as to involve risk of collision, the vessel that has the other on her own starboard side shall keep out of the way of the other.

C. Where, by and of these rules herein prescribed, one of two vessels shall keep out of the way, the other shall keep her course and speed.

D. * * * Vessels shall in all cases keep out of the way of sailing vessels.

E. Every vessel overtaking any other shall keep out of the way of the overtaken vessel.

F. Every * * * vessel under way in taking any course authorized or required by these rules, shall indicate that course by the following signals on her whistle, to be accompanied whenever required by corresponding with her helm; and every vessel receiving a signal from another shall promptly respond with the same signal; unless the pilot of the vessel to which a passing signal is sounded deems it unsafe to accept and assent to said signal, he shall not sound a cross signal; but in

that case, and in every case where the pilot of one vessel fails to understand the course or intentions of an approaching vessel, from any cause, the pilot of such vessel so receiving the first passing signal, or the pilot so in doubt, shall sound several short and rapid blasts of the whistle; and as they shall approach each other both shall reduce their speed to bare steerage way, and if necessary stop and reverse. One blast to mean, "I am directing my course to starboard;" two blasts to mean, "I am directing my course to port." But the giving or answering of signals by a vessel required to keep her course shall not vary the duties and obligations of the respective vessels.

G. No vessel shall pass any point, within six rods from shore at any time of the day or night at a rate of speed of more than six miles per hour, and in approaching such point shall sound a whistle or alarm two hundred feet distant from said point.

Penalties. SECTION 2. Section 4 of chapter 219 of the laws of 1897 is amended to read: section 4. Any owner, pilot, employe or other person or persons, violating any of the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined by a sum not * * * *less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00* for each and every violation; and the owner or owners of such vessel shall be liable to any person or persons for all damage caused by such violation.

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

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