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AN ACT to amend 30.10 (4) (a) and 81.38 (5); and to create 30.122 and 84.01 (23) of the statutes, relating to exempting municipalities from the requirement of obtaining permits from the department of natural resources for constructing certain bridges, arches and culverts.

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

SECTION 1. 30.10 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

30.10 (4) (a) This section does not impair the powers granted by law <u>under s.</u> 30.122 or by other law to municipalities to construct <u>highway</u> bridges, <u>arches or culverts</u> over streams.

SECTION 2. 30.122 of the statutes is created to read:

30.122 Municipal bridge construction. Municipalities which construct or reconstruct highway bridges, arches or culverts shall not be required to obtain permits under s. 30.10, 30.12 or 31.23 for such construction or reconstruction. All municipal highway bridges, arches or culverts shall be constructed in accordance with standards developed under s. 84.01 (23).

SECTION 3. 81.38 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

81.38 (5) No county order shall may be drawn under sub. (1) for the construction of a <u>an arch</u>, culvert or bridge unless the culvert or bridge <u>it</u> is constructed in a workmanlike manner and built of creosoted wood or timber, steel, stone or concrete or

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a combination thereof, and the design and construction comply with requirements under s. 84.01 (23).

SECTION 4. 84.01 (23) of the statutes is created to read:

84.01 (23) BRIDGE STANDARDS. The commission shall adopt standards and specifications for the design and construction of county, town, village and city bridges, arches or culverts. The standards shall be developed after consultation with the department of natural resources, and shall be directed at preventing undue impairment of public rights in navigable waters.