

CHAPTER 222.

AN ACT to authorize the county commissioners of Mille Lacs county, in the State of Minnesota, to grant authority and license to construct dams for the saving of water for the purpose of sluicing and driving logs, timber and lumber.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. The board of county commissioners of Mille Lacs county in this State may grant a license to any person or persons applying therefor, to construct and maintain a dam or dams across any stream within such county for the purpose of raising a head and supply of water sufficient to float and aid in driving logs in the stream below said dam, upon being satisfied that such sluice dam is necessary at the point or points applied for; and that the land on both sides of the stream is in possession or under the control of the person or persons so applying for a license, and that the applicants are proper persons to whom to grant the same.

SEC. 2. Whenever the board of county commissioners of said county shall grant a license to construct and maintain such dam across any stream within said county for the purpose mentioned in section one (1) of this act, the said board shall establish the rate of tolls which may be charged and demanded for the sluicing through or use of water in floating and aiding in driving logs, timber or lumber below said dam, but the tolls therefor shall not exceed the sum of six (6) cents per thousand feet so sluiced through said dam or dams, or floated or driven below the same, by the aid thereof.

SEC. 3. All tolls chargeable under this title for sluicing or for furnishing water for floating and aiding in driving logs, timber or lumber shall be deemed due and payable as soon as said logs, timber and lumber are sluiced or driven, and for the payment of the said tolls, the proprietor or proprietors of such dam or dams has a complete lien upon said logs, timber and lumber until said tolls are paid, and when said tolls so due for sluicing logs, timber or lumber through or for furnishing water to aid in driving the same below such dam or dams, are not paid on demand by the owner thereof, the proprietor of said dam or dams is authorized and empowered to file and enforce his lien upon such logs, timber or lumber in the manner provided by chapter eighty-nine (89) of the General Laws of this State for the year eighteen hundred and seventy-six (1876) and amendments thereto.

SEC. 4. Notice of intention to make application for license as herein authorized shall be made and published as provided in section eighty-six (86) of title eight (8) of chapter thirty-two (32) of the General Statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-eight, (1878).

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