579.01 LIABILITY OF BOAT OR VESSEL.

Every boat or vessel used in navigating the waters of this state shall be liable for the claims or demands hereinafter mentioned, and which shall constitute liens thereon:

(1) for all debts contracted by the master, owner, agent, or consignee thereof on account of supplies furnished for its use, or on account of work done or services rendered on board for its benefit, or on account of labor done or materials furnished by mechanics, members of trades, or others in and for building, repairing, fitting out, furnishing, or equipping the same;

(2) for all sums due for wharfage or anchorage of such boat or vessel within the state;

(3) for all demands or damages accruing from the nonperformance or malperformance of any contract of affreightment, or any contract touching the transportation of persons or property entered into by the master, owner, agent, or consignee of the boat or vessel on which such contract is to be performed; and

(4) for all injuries done to persons or property by such boat or vessel.

No boat or vessel shall be so liable for any debt contracted on account of work done or services rendered on board of or for the benefit of such boat or vessel until the contract is fully performed.

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