

CHAPTER 107—S. F. No. 179.

An act to authorize corporations composed of several parishes, congregations or churches to unite or consolidate with other societies for ecclesiastical or religious purposes, to transfer their property to such united or consolidated societies when incorporated, and to provide for the incorporation of such united or consolidated societies.

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

Section 1. Consolidation of parishes, congregations or churches authorized.—Any diocesan council, synod, presbytery, conference, association, consociation, or other general organization for ecclesiastical or religious purposes composed of or representing several parishes, congregations, or particular churches, and incorporated under the laws of this state, may unite or consolidate with one or more other diocesan councils, synods, presbyteries, conferences, associations, consociations, or other general organizations for ecclesiastical or religious purposes, or may with one or more such other societies form one new society for ecclesiastical or religious purposes, and when any such united or consolidated society, or any such new society, shall have been incorporated, may convey and transfer its property to such corporation according to law.

Sec. 2. Procedure for incorporation.—Any two or more societies of the classes named in the preceding section may form a corporation by adopting a canon or resolution and having a copy thereof certified, verified, approved by the attorney general and recorded as provided by sections 3152 and 3153, Revised Laws of Minnesota, 1905. The canon or resolution may be adopted in joint session by representatives, delegates and others entitled to vote at the regular meetings of such societies, respectively, for the year in which such canon or resolution is adopted or may be adopted in joint session by committees of such societies, elected or appointed by them respectively for that purpose.

Sec. 3. Privileges permitted.—Every corporation formed as in this act provided, shall have the same franchises, powers, privileges and immunities as corporations organized and existing under sections 3152 to 3153 inclusive of Revised Laws of Minnesota, 1905.

Sec. 4. Right to hold property.—Every corporation organized under this act shall hold all property conveyed or transferred to it for such use, and subject to such trusts and conditions as such property is held by the corporation conveying or transferring the same.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 23, 1917.