

## CHAPTER 240.

AN ACT TO ENABLE TOWNS IN THE COUNTY OF McLEOD TO TRANSFER BONDS HERETOFORE VOTED BY THEM TO AID IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAILROAD FROM A POINT ON THE MAIN LINE OF THE ST. PAUL AND PACIFIC RAILROAD, IN THE COUNTIES OF MEEKER OR WRIGHT, TO THE VILLAGE OF HUTCHINSON, IN McLEOD COUNTY.

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

SECTION 1. Any town in the county of McLeod that has heretofore by vote of electors of said town authorized the issue of bonds of said town to aid in the construction of said railroad, may, by vote of the electors of said town, transfer the aid so authorized, to any railroad in the manner herein provided: On presentation of a petition to the supervisors of such town, signed by not less than ten (10) legal voters of such town, stating the amount of bonds heretofore authorized to be issued by such town to aid in the construction of [said] railroads, and asking that the question of transferring the aid so voted to some other railroad company be submitted to the legal voters of said town, and stating the name of said rail [road] company. For the purpose of aiding in the construction of a railroad in said county, the said supervisors shall cause a special election to be called in the same manner as the election at which the bonds were originally authorized to be issued, at which election the question of so transferring such aid shall be submitted to the legal voters of such town, to be determined by ballot. The electors in favor of such transfer shall use ballots at such election, having written or printed thereon "Transfer—Yes;" and those opposed, the words "Transfer—No." And the votes cast at such election shall be canvassed in the same manner as ballots cast at a general election; and if a majority of the votes cast are in favor of such transfer, then the bonds so authorized to be issued shall be issued and delivered to the company to whom such transfer is so authorized to be made. *Provided*, that no bonds shall be delivered to such company until the railroad so aided is completed and the cars running thereon to the village of Hutchinson. *And provided further*, that this act shall not authorize the issuance of any bonds, or be construed to legalize any election already had, except in case of transfer, legally voted as herein provided.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force on and after its passage.

Approved February 21, 1877.