

CHAPTER 41.

H. F. No. 35.

An act legalizing certain county bonds heretofore voted to be issued and sold. County bonds legalized.

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

SECTION 1. Any and all bonds heretofore voted to be issued by the board of county commissioners of any county in this state for a lawful purpose, which bonds have heretofore by said board been sold, are hereby declared to be the valid and binding obligation of any such county; provided only, that the issuance of such bonds was duly voted by a majority of the legal voters of any such county, voting upon a proposition for their issuance at any election held for that purpose; that said bonds are not to run for a longer term of years, or to draw a higher rate of interest than is by law allowed; that they are sold for not less than their par value, and that the total indebtedness of any such county, including such issue of bonds, does not exceed in amount, the indebtedness now authorized by law.

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

Approved March 6, 1902.

CHAPTER 42.

H. F. No. 70.

An act to legalize the acts and conveyances of county commissioners in selling land owned by the county to religious societies for cemetery purposes. Conveyances legalized.

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

SECTION 1. That all acts, proceedings and conveyances of any board of county commissioners, wherein such board shall have sold land owned by the county to any religious society, for cemetery purposes, and wherein such board of county commissioners have actually conveyed such land to such religious society, and by the terms of such conveyance provided that when such religious society shall cease to use such land for cemetery purposes, the same shall revert to such county, are hereby legalized and declared valid.

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

Approved March 11, 1902.

S. F. No. 85.

CHAPTER 43.

Leases and contracts legalized.

An act to legalize and confirm leases and contracts made by the board of county commissioners of organized counties in this state leasing lands for the purpose of exploring for and mining iron ore and removing the same.

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

County lands used for mining.

SECTION 1. That in all cases where the board of county commissioners of any organized county in this state has heretofore entered into a lease or contract, in writing, with any person, persons, company or corporation, purporting to lease to such person, persons, company or corporations any lands belonging to said county, or under the control of said county, for the purpose of exploring for, mining, taking out, and shipping therefrom the merchantable shipping iron ore, which is, or which may be found, on, or under, said lands, together with the right to construct all buildings, make all excavations, openings, ditches, drains, railroads, wagon roads and other improvements upon said premises which are, or may become suitable or necessary for the mining and removing of iron ore from said premises, with the right, during the existence of said lease or contract, or any extension thereof, to cut and use the timber found upon said premises, so far as may be necessary for fuel, other than for smelting purposes, and so far also as may be necessary for the construction of buildings required in the operation of any mine or mines found on the said premises so leased, and also the timber required for the drains, tramways, supports, railroads, within such mine or mines or connecting the mine or mines with a new line or lines of railroad over or upon which the said ore may be transported; and all leases and contracts made by such board of county commissioners whereby such board has leased the lands of said county or land controlled by said county for the purposes of mining iron ore, and has given to the party of the second part the right to go upon the lands so leased and explore for, mine or remove iron ore from such lands or beneath the surface of the same, are hereby in all things

Timber may be used, for what purposes.