

CHAPTER 83.

H. F. No. 329.

An act entitled an act accepting a grant by congress to the State of Minnesota of certain lands for forestry purposes.

Accepting
land grant.

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

SECTION 1. That the State of Minnesota hereby accepts the grant by congress of twenty thousand (20,000) acres of vacant public land within said state for forestry purposes made by an act of congress approved April twenty-eight (28), nineteen hundred and four (1904).

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

Approved March 30, 1905.

CHAPTER 84.

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An act entitled "an act to authorize county auditors in this state to give certain public notices and do certain things as are provided for in chapter 258, in the Laws of Minnesota for the year 1901, and as amended by chapter 38 in the Laws of Minnesota for 1902, pertaining to drainage."

Drainage.

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

SECTION 1. That in all cases in this state where proceedings have been had or attempted under chapter 258 of the Laws of Minnesota for 1901, as amended by chapter 38 of the Laws of Minnesota for the year 1902, and acts amendatory thereof, for the establishment of county drains, and the notices of the pendency of the petition and all other notices and proceedings in such matter, including the filing of the order of the board of county commissioners establishing such ditch and confirming the report of the viewers, as provided for in section 9, chapter 258, the Laws of Minnesota for 1901, and acts amendatory thereof, have all been given and had, and when no appeal has been taken from said order, and the contracts for the digging of such ditch have not been let, the county auditor of the county in which such proceed-

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ings are and have been pending is hereby authorized and empowered and it is hereby made his duty within sixty days after the passage of this act to give notice of the letting of the contract for digging such ditch, and to let the contract to dig such ditch, in substantially the same manner and terms and conditions as provided for in section 13, chapter 258, Laws of Minnesota for the year 1901 and as amended by section 6 of chapter 38, Laws of Minnesota for the year 1902, and said auditor may fix the time in which such contracts shall be completed, and said auditor may adjourn such letting of such contracts from time to time, until the whole work is taken, and he shall have power to extend the time for the completion of such contracts when the party desiring to have such time extended shall apply to him in writing, setting forth under oath the reason why he desires such extension.

SEC. 2. Said county auditor and the county commissioners of such county shall have power to do and perform all things in the same manner and with the same conditions and provisions as are provided for letting of contracts to dig such ditch and all subsequent proceedings in relation to such ditch matter, as are provided for in chapter 258, Laws of Minnesota for the year 1901, as amended by chapter 38 of the Laws of Minnesota for the year 1902, and this act embraces all the provisions of said chapters 258 and 38 and they are hereby made a part of this act.

SEC. 3. All such proceedings in laying out and attempting to lay out and establish such ditch are hereby legalized, *provided*, that this act shall not apply to any proceedings now pending in any of the courts of this state.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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