

all such corporations, with the records thereof, are hereby legalized and confirmed, and shall have the same effect, as if they had been duly organized and the articles of incorporation duly published. Provided, however, that this act shall not apply to any action heretofore commenced or now pending in any of the courts of this state.

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

Approved April 15, 1915.

CHAPTER 121—H. F. No. 333.

An Act providing for the addition of territory to certain villages.

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

Section 1. **Proceedings for annexation of territory to certain villages.**—Any territory in counties having not less than seventy-six nor more than eighty congressional townships, containing a population of not less than two hundred (200) persons, such territory, not included in any incorporated village having a population, according to the last census of not more than four hundred (400) persons with an area of not to exceed two hundred (200) acres and with an assessed valuation of less than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000), but which said territory proposed to be annexed adjoins any such village now existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota, and no part of which territory proposed to be annexed is more than one and one-half miles from the present limits of the village which it adjoins, may be annexed to such village and become a part thereof, upon petition of a majority of the aggregate number of the legal voters residing within the territory included within the limits of said village and the territory proposed to be annexed. Such petition may be presented to the village council of any such village, and thereupon the council, by ordinance, may so extend the village boundaries so as to include the same, provided, however, that the area of said village, including the territory proposed to be annexed, shall, in no case, exceed four sections of land. No such ordinance, so extending the limits of said village, shall take effect until a certified copy thereof is filed with the secretary of state.

Approved April 15, 1915.

CHAPTER 122—H. F. No. 657.

An Act to legalize and validate certain options for mining leases given by any county of the State of Minnesota.

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