

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:

Section 1. Certain options for mining leases given by any county of the State of Minnesota validated.—That in all cases where an option for a mining lease without the required publication in the official proceedings of the county commissioners, of a resolution fixing the time for considering the same, and setting out the terms and conditions thereof, has since December 1st, 1914, been granted by any county of the State of Minnesota, calling for a mining lease on a royalty basis of twenty cents a ton of 2,240 pounds, with the provision, however, that if such lessee should receive by an assignment or sub-lease thereof a greater royalty than twenty-five cents per ton, such county to receive one-half of such excess over said twenty-five cents per ton, such options and leases thereto attached and made a part thereof are hereby declared legal and valid, provided that nothing herein contained shall be considered to apply to actions now pending which involve the validity of any such options.

Approved April 15, 1915.

CHAPTER 123—H. F. No. 733.

An Act to legalize mortgage foreclosures by advertisement upon real estate in certain cases.

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

Section 1. Certain mortgage foreclosures legalized.—All mortgage foreclosures upon real estate situated in this state, heretofore made by advertisement where the notice of sale as published gives the month incorrectly in the dating of such notice, but the sale was duly and regularly made at the time and place specified and appointed in such notice, as shown by the sheriff's certificate of such sale, together with the record of such sale, shall be sufficient for all purposes as against such erroneous date and the foreclosure based thereon together with the record thereof shall not be affected by reason thereof.

Sec. 2. Not to affect pending actions.—The provisions of this act shall not affect any action now pending in any court of this state.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 15, 1915.

CHAPTER 124—H. F. No. 943.

An Act to authorize the city council or other governing body of any city now or hereafter having a population of more than fifty thousand inhabitants not operating under Section 36 Article 4 of the constitution of this state, to grant a franchise for the