

approval in writing by the commissioner of insurance of this state.

Nothing in this section shall be deemed to permit the ceding insurer to receive through the cession of the whole of any risk or risks any advantage in respect to its unearned premium reserve that would reduce the same below the actual amount thereof.

For the purposes of this section, the word "insurer" shall be deemed to include the word "reinsurer," and the words "issue policies of insurance" shall be deemed to include the words "make contracts of reinsurance."

Approved March 29, 1919.

CHAPTER 142—H. F. No. 722.

An act to legalize mechanics' lien foreclosure sale heretofore made.

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

Section 1. **Certain mechanic lien foreclosure legalized.**—Every mechanics' lien foreclosure sale heretofore made under the terms and provisions of a final judgment of a district court in this state, wherein the order of the district court confirming the report of the sheriff was made within ten days after the date of sale, which sale was otherwise regular, except that the sheriff's certificate of sale was not recorded in the register's office of the county in which the premises are situated until after the period of one year from the date of the order confirming such sale, is hereby legalized, with the same effect as if such certificate had been executed and acknowledged subsequent to the confirmation of the sale by the court, and recorded as provided by law; provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply to actions now pending which involve the validity of any such sale.

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

Approved March 29, 1919.

CHAPTER 143—S. F. No. 236.

An act creating a board for seed potato inspection and certification, providing penalties for the violation of such provisions.

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

Section 1. **Inspection of seed potatoes authorized.**—The inspection and certification of potatoes for seed purposes by or under the direction of the board hereinafter created and under the conditions and limitations herein specified, is hereby authorized.

Sec. 2. **Inspection board and membership.**—There is hereby created a board for seed potato inspection and certification. It shall consist of five members, two of whom, the dean of the College of