

his duty, they shall notify the county attorney to prosecute him or other persons who violate the provisions of this act.

It shall be the duty of the county auditor to mail a copy of this section to the chairman of each town board and to the mayor or president of the council of every municipality within his county each year between the first of June and the first day of July.

Sec. 4. Overseers of roads to carry out provisions.—That section 2379, Revised Laws 1905, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

2379. If the notice be not obeyed within six days the chairman of the town board or the mayor or president of the council of each municipality, as the case may be, shall direct the overseer of roads or the officials in charge of streets in municipalities, as the case may be, to, and it shall be the duty of such officials to forthwith destroy such weeds or grasses and make report thereof to the town or municipal clerk with an itemized account of his expense in so doing. Such overseer or such official in charge of streets in any municipality shall be allowed not to exceed five dollars per day for the time of his necessary employment, and for men and teams employed he may allow the rates paid for labor upon roads or streets. Such expense shall be paid by the town or municipality out of the road or street funds, and unless the sum be repaid by the owner or occupant before October 1st next ensuing, the clerk shall certify the amount thereof, with a description of the premises to be charged, to the county auditor who shall extend the same upon the tax list, as an additional tax upon said land. But if the land for any reason be exempt from general taxation, the amount of such charge may be recovered of the owner in a civil action, with costs.

Approved April 23, 1919.

CHAPTER 373—S. F. No. 556.

An act validating the appropriation and expenditure of funds for certain purposes by certain political subdivisions of this state.

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

Section 1. Certain appropriations validated.—In all cases where heretofore but subsequent to the sixth day of April, A. D. 1917, the governing body or officials of any county, town, village, city or school district, in this state, have appropriated or expended without authority for so doing, the funds of such county, town, village, city or school district, for the purchase of Liberty bonds or as a donation to the Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., the Knights of Columbus, the Minnesota home guard, Minnesota Motor Corps or any other similar organization, or as a contribution for relief work in communities in this country or in foreign countries, which

have been devastated by fire, flood, storm or war, the acts of such governing bodies and officials in so appropriating and expending such funds are hereby ratified, confirmed and made valid, and are hereby given the same force and effect as though done under authority of law.

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

Approved April 23, 1919.

CHAPTER 374—S. F. No. 561.

An act to legalize certain mortgage foreclosure sales by action and certificates thereof.

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

Section 1. **Certain mortgage foreclosure sales legalized.**—That in all foreclosure sales under a judgment and decree of the district court in an action whereby a deed and contract or either of them were adjudged to be a mortgage and upon which there never was any mortgage registry tax paid as required by the laws of the state of Minnesota, relating to mortgage registry tax, and wherein heretofore the report of sale has been confirmed by an order of said court, and the sheriff's certificate of sale was thereafter executed in proper form and duly recorded, and more than one year has elapsed since such sale, then such sale and the sheriff's certificate of the same are hereby legalized with the same effect as if such mortgage registry tax had been paid before any of the proceedings had been taken in said action; providing, that such tax shall be paid within three (3) months from the time of the approval of this act.

When said tax has been paid to the county treasurer of the county in which said sale was made and the receipt of said county treasurer has been given, and said receipt has been delivered to the register of deeds for said county, said register of deeds shall make a memorandum of the same on the margin of the record of said certificate of sale and shall so certify to that fact on said receipt.

Provided, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to or affect any action now pending involving the validity of such sale.

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

Approved April 23, 1919.

CHAPTER 375—S. F. No. 571.

An act to legalize and validate the defective execution of deeds, mortgages and other instruments, and the record thereof.

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

Section 1. **Certain defective execution of deeds, etc., legalized.**—That in all cases where deeds, mortgages or other instru-