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title to real estate shall have been filed or recorded in the office of the register of deeds of any county, or in any public office authorized to receive such instrument for filing or recording, and shall have continued on record for fifteen years and such instrument does not affirmatively show whether the grantor or assignor or person who executed the instrument was married, such filing or recording and continuance thereof for such fifteen year period shall be prima facie evidence that such grantor or assignor or person who executed the instrument was an unmarried person at the time of the making and delivery of such instrument, unless prior to January 1, 1924, any person claiming any estate in the land affected by such instrument, by, through or under such person or his or her spouse, heirs or devisees, shall commence an action to recover such estate and shall file a notice of lis pendens at the time of the commencement of the action in the office of the register of deeds in the county where such land is situated.

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

Approved April 11, 1923.

## CHAPTER 209-S. F. No. 228.

An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 411, Laws 1909, as amended by Chapter 155, Laws 1915, relating to the organisation of township mutual fire insurance companies.

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

Section 1. Township mutual fire insurance companies.— That section 1 of chapter 411, Laws 1909, as amended by chapter 155, Laws 1915, the same being section 3383, General Statutes 1913, as so amended, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

3383. Township Mutual Fire Insurance Companies.—It shall be lawful for any number of persons, not less than twenty-five (25), residing in adjoining towns in this state, who shall collectively own property worth at least fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars, to form themselves into a company or corporation for mutual insurance against loss or damage by fire or lightning. No such company shall operate in more than sixty (60) towns in the aggregate at the same time. Provided, that when any such company confines its operations to one county it may transact business in the whole thereof by so providing in its certificate of incorporation. Approved April 11, 1923.

## CHAPTER 210- S. F. No. 280.

An act to amend Section 620, Revised Laws 1905 relating to

suits against counties of this state, and excepting the State of Minnesota from certain provisions thereof.

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

Section 1. Actions against counties.—That Section 620, Revised Laws 1905, being Section 1094, General Statutes 1913, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"1094. No action shall be maintained by any claimant except the state of Minnesota against a county upon any claim except county orders, when the only relief demanded is a judgment for money, until such claim shall have been duly presented to the board, and it shall have failed to act upon the same within the time fixed by law, or unless such board shall consent to the institution of such action. No action shall be brought by any person except the state of Minnesota upon any county order until the expiration of thirty days after a demand for the payment thereof has been made, and any judgment against the county entered in an action brought on any such order without such demand shall be void."

Sec. 2. Inconsistent acts repealed.—That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

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

Approved April 11, 1923.

## CHAPTER 211-S. F. No. 287.

An act to authorize any city, village or borough of this State. whether organized under the general laws, or special or home rule charter, to appropriate money to pay dues in the League of Minnesota Municipalities and the expenses of representatives attending the meetings of such League.

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

Section 1. Municipalities to pay dues to League of Minnesota Municipalities.—Any City or Village or Borough of this State. whether organized under the general laws or a special or home rule charter may appropriate through its governing body, out of its general fund, money to pay the annual dues in the League of Minnesota Municipalities, and the actual and necessary expenses of such delegates as such governing body may designate to attend meetings of any such League.

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

Approved April 11, 1923.

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