

receive a salary of \$800.00 per annum for his services, which shall be considered a portion of his fees as herein provided. Fees in connection with naturalization proceedings are excepted from the operation hereof. There shall be allowed the clerk of the district court not to exceed \$500.00 per annum for clerk hire in said office or so much thereof as shall be necessary.

Sec. 3. **Inconsistent acts repealed.**—All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. **Effective January 1, 1937.**—This act shall be in force and effect on and after January 1, 1937.

Approved February 9, 1937.

CHAPTER 20—S. F. No. 173

An act providing for redemption by the record owner of lands sold to the state at forfeited tax sale in exceptional cases.

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

Section 1. **Redemption from tax sales in certain cases.**—In any case in which real property consisting of a platted lot or platted lots with a dwelling house thereon, which is a homestead and located in a village or city, has become forfeited to the state under the provisions of any existing law, declaring the forfeiture of lands to the state for delinquent taxes, when such forfeiture has resulted solely because of delinquent taxes on such property for the year 1928, the taxes thereon for prior years and all subsequent taxes including general taxes for the year 1934 on said property having been paid in full, the owner of record of such property at the time of forfeiture, may redeem such property from such sale upon payment, within 60 days from the passage of this act, of the amount of the tax thereon for the year 1928 and penalties accrued thereon as stated in the notice of expiration of redemption from such tax sale, together with interest upon that amount from the date of such notice at the rate of 10% per annum.

Sec. 2. **Auditor to issue certificate of redemption.**—When redemption is made by an owner pursuant to the provisions of section one of this act, the county auditor under his hand and seal of office shall deliver to such redeeming owner a certificate of such payment and consequent redemption of the property so redeemed, and such certificate when recorded in the office of the register of deeds in the

county in which such redeemed property is situated shall be effectual to reinvest in such record owner the title to the lots of land so redeemed from such tax sale.

Approved February 9, 1937.

CHAPTER 21—S. F. No. 172

An act relating to the granting of relief in certain cases during the emergency declared to exist, from inequitable foreclosure of mortgages on real estate and execution sales of real estate and for postponing certain sales and for extending the periods of redemption from certain others: and relating to the jurisdiction and procedure for such relief and for the right to possession during the extended period, and for limiting the right to maintain actions for deficiency judgments.

Whereas, the severe financial and economic depression existing for several years past has resulted in extremely low prices for the products of the farms and the factories, a great amount of unemployment, and almost complete lack of credit for farmers, business men and property owners and a general and extreme stagnation of business, agriculture and industry; and

Whereas, a condition of subnormal rainfall has existed in the State of Minnesota for several years, and this condition has greatly reduced the total products of the farms in Minnesota during the past two years; and

Whereas, many owners of real property, by reason of said conditions, are unable, and it is believed will for some time be unable to meet all payments as they come due of taxes, interest and principal of mortgages on their properties, and are, therefore, threatened with loss of such properties through mortgage foreclosure and judicial sales thereof; and

Whereas, many such properties have been and are being bid in at mortgage foreclosure and execution sales for prices much below what is believed to be their real values and often for much less than the mortgage or judgment indebtedness, thus entailing deficiency judgments against the mortgage and judgment debtors; and

Whereas, it is believed, and the Legislature of Minnesota hereby declares its belief, that the conditions existing as hereinbefore set forth have created an emergency of such nature that justifies and