which insufficient notice, as required by Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1817, was given, and have otherwise failed to comply with the terms and provisions of said Mason's 1938 Minn. Supp., Section 1815, Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 1816, 1817, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1821, 1822, 1823, 1824, 1825, 1826, 1827, and 1828, and of the Charter of such city, in all such cases, may re-assess any part of the cost of such improvement against the property abutting thereon in the manner provided in Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1821, and may issue and sell its certificates of indebtedness in the manner provided in Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1824.

Sec. 2. Re-assessments to/be valid. Any re-assessment made in accordance with this act shall have the same force, effect, and validity as though all of the proceedings required by said-Mason's-1938 Minn. Supp., Section 1815, Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 1816, 1817, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1821, 1822, 1823, 1824, 1825, 1826, 1827, and 1828, prior to the making of assessment in accordance with Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 1821, and all requirements of the Charter of such city, had been fully and strictly complied with and certificates of indebtedness so issued shall have the same force, effect, and validity as they would have had if issued through strict and full compliance with the terms and provisions of said Mason's 1938 Minn. Supp., Section 1815, Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Sections 1816, 1817, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1821, 1822, 1823, 1824, 1825, 1826, 1827, and 1828.

Sec. 2. Not to affect pending actions. This act shall not apply to or affect any action or appeals now pending in which the validity of any such proceeding is called in question.

Approved-March 6, 1939.

## CHAPTER 50-H. F. No. 169

An act relating to automobiles with particular reference to the penalties for unauthorized driving thereof and amending Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2717-1.

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

Section 1. Penalties.—Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 2717-1, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"2717-1. No person shall drive, operate or use a motor vehicle without the permission of the owner or of his agent in charge and control thereof. Any person so doing shall be guilty of a felony and punished therefor by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than five years or by imprisonment in the county jail for not exceeding one year or by a fine of not more than \$500.00."

Approved March 6, 1939.

## CHAPTER 51—S.F. No. 242-

An act providing for the renewal of the period of corporate existence of certain cooperative companies and associations heretofore organized under the laws of this state and legalizing and validating certain corporate acts and contracts done, performed and entered into by such cooperative company or association since the expiration of its period of corporate existence; and providing for the amendment of the charter of such cooperative associations under certain conditions.

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

Section 1. Corporate existence of certain-co-operatives renewed—Acts validated.—Any cooperative company or association organized pursuant to General Statutes # 1913, Chapter 58, notwithstanding such law or any part thereof may have been heretofore repealed, which cooperative association was organized for the purpose of carrying on, among other things. the business of newspaper publishing, whose period of duration has expired less than two years before the passage of this act, and which has continued to carry on its business without renewal, may renew the period of its corporate existence for a definite additional term not to exceed 20 years, as hereinafter provided, from the date of such expiration, with the same force and effect as if such renewal had been effective before its said period of duration expired, by taking the proceedings provided by law for the renewal of the corporate existence of such corporations in cases where such renewal is made before the end of its period of duration or, if the members thereof elect to do so sale charter may be amended so as to qualify such corporation under the provisions of Laws 1933.

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