

Every person, *firm or corporation* who shall violate any provision of this act, shall, *upon conviction thereof*, be *punished* by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars or by confinement in the city workhouse for a period not exceeding ninety days. Each day's continuance of the violation of this act shall be deemed a separate offense.

Approved March 26, 1943.

CHAPTER 180—S. F. No. 510.

An act relating to written instruments affecting the title to real property and providing that certain recitals therein with reference to the existence of a mortgage shall not constitute notice of such mortgage, either actual or constructive, to subsequent purchasers or incumbrancers.

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

Section 1. Recitals in written instruments not to constitute notice in certain cases.—Where an instrument affecting the title to real property in this State recites the existence of a mortgage against said real property or some part thereof, where the instrument containing such recital either was recorded prior to 1921 in the Office of the Register of Deeds of the county where said real property or some part thereof is situated or was filed prior to said date in a judicial proceeding affecting said real property or some part thereof in the district court or probate court of such county, and where the time of the maturity of the whole of the debt secured by said mortgage is not clearly stated in said recital, then such recital may be disregarded and shall not constitute notice of said mortgage, either actual or constructive, to any subsequent purchaser or incumbrancer of said real property or any part thereof.

Sec. 2. Not to affect pending actions.—Nothing contained in this act shall affect actions now pending or commenced within six months after the passage of this act, in any court of this state.

Approved March 26, 1943.

CHAPTER 181—S. F. No. 512.

An act relating to bonds to be furnished by certain county officers and deputies in certain counties and to the payment of premiums thereon, and amending Laws 1939, Chapter 205, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Bonds to be furnished by County officers in certain counties.—Laws 1939, Chapter 205, Section 1, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 1. In any county in the state now or hereafter having a population of not less than 55,000 nor more than 70,000 according to the last federal census, and consisting of not less than 35, nor more than 49, congressional townships, the premiums on the bonds required by law to be furnished by the county auditor and his deputies, the register of deeds and his deputies, and the sheriff and his deputies shall be paid by the county.”

Sec. 2. Payments to be validated.—*Any payments heretofore made in any such county, covering premiums on bonds of county officers, are hereby validated and approved.*

Approved March 26, 1943.

CHAPTER 182—S. F. No. 518.

(AMENDING SECTION 392.01 MINNESOTA STATUTES 1941.)

An act authorizing the county board of certain counties to appoint a county purchasing agent and legalizing certain acts heretofore performed, and amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 969-11.

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

Section 1. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 969-11, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

“969-11. **County purchasing agent in certain counties.**—In any county now or hereafter having a population of not less than 50,000 nor more than 70,000 inhabitants according to the last federal census, and consisting of not less than 35 nor more than 49 congressional townships, the county board may by resolution duly adopted at a meeting of said board, appoint a county purchasing agent who shall act during the pleasure of the board and who shall have supervision under the direction of said county board, of the purchase and distribution of all merchandise and supplies used by any department of said county, up to the amount of \$500.00. The county board may allow such clerical help to such county purchasing agent as it shall deem necessary. The said county board