vide a fixed period of duration, may by affirmative vote of 3/4 of the voting power of the members of stockholders present, and voting in person or by proxy, at any regular meeting or any special meeting duly and regularly called for the purpose, amend its certificate of incorporation so as to provide for perpetual succession at any time.

Sec. 2. Exception. This Act shall not apply to any such corporation the charter of which has been declared forfeited by the final judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction of this state, or to any such corporation as to which there is pending any action or proceeding in any of the courts of this state for the forfeiture of its charter, nor shall this Act affect any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state in relation to any such corporation described in Section 1 of this Act.

Approved April 20, 1945.

## CHAPTER 436-H. F. No. 854

An act relating to the salary and appointment of referees in probate in the office of the judge of probate in each county now or hereafter having a population of 500,000 or more; amending Laws 1943, Chapter 451, Sections 1 and 2.

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

Section 1. Laws 1943, Chapter 451, Sections 1 and 2 is amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Salary of referee in probate in certain counties. In each county now or hereafter having a population of 500,000 or more where the Judge of Probate pursuant to existing statute has heretofore appointed and employed a referee in probate such referee shall hereafter be paid the sum of \$5,800 per annum; and where the Judge of said Probate pursuant to existing statute has heretofore appointed and employed a Clerk of Probate such clerk shall hereafter be paid the sum of \$4200 per annum; and where the Judge of said Probate pursuant to existing statute has heretofore appointed and employed an Inheritance Tax Deputy such Deputy shall hereafter be paid the sum of \$3,500 per annum.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This act shall be in force and effect from and after May 1, 1945.

Approved April 20, 1945.