

Not applica-  
ble to  
villages of  
less than  
10,000, un-  
der special  
charter.

Laws of 1901, which proviso reads as follows: "Provided, however, that this act shall not apply to any city or village of this state having a population of less than ten thousand operating under a special law or special charter," be and the same hereby is repealed.

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

Approved April 14, 1903.

H. F. No. 288.

### CHAPTER 216.

Legalizing  
defective  
acknowl-  
gments.

*An act to legalize and validate the defective acknowledgment of deeds, mortgages, powers of attorney and other instruments and the record thereof.*

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

SECTION 1. Any acknowledgment to any deed, mortgage, power of attorney or other instrument heretofore taken before a deputy auditor of any county in this state, under the seal of the county auditor is, together with the record of said deed, mortgage, power of attorney or other instrument, hereby legalized and made as valid and effectual to all intents and purposes, and of the same force and effect in all respects for the purposes of notice, evidence, or otherwise as though said deputy auditor was at the time of taking said acknowledgments expressly authorized by law so to do.

SEC. 2. The provisions of this act shall not affect any action now pending in any court in this state.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 14, 1903.

H. F. No. 562.

### CHAPTER 217.

Drainage.

*An act to amend the title of chapter 318 of the General Laws of the State of Minnesota, for the year 1897, entitled "An act entitled, an act to create a board of state drainage commissioners and prescribe its duties."*

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

SECTION 1. That the title of chapter 318 of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1897 be and the

Amends  
title of  
ch. 318, 1897.

same is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the words, "and to prescribe the duties of boards of county commissioners in connection therewith," so that said title when amended shall read as follows:

"An act entitled, an act to create a board of state drainage commissioners and prescribe its duties, and to prescribe the duties of boards of county commissioners in connection therewith." Provided this act shall not apply to anything done or omitted to be done by any board of county commissioners, acting under said chapter 318, prior to the passage of this act.

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

Approved April 14, 1903.

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#### CHAPTER 218.

*An act to add certain lands to Itasca State Park.*

H. F. No. 324.

Itasca  
State Park.

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

SECTION 1. The west half ( $w\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the west half ( $w\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the west half ( $w\frac{1}{2}$ ) of sections twenty (20) twenty-nine (29) and thirty-two (32), of township one hundred forty-three (143), north of range thirty-five (35) west, situated in Hubbard county in the State of Minnesota, is hereby added to and made a part of Itasca State Park. Said tracts of land are hereby declared to be park property and subject to the operation of all existing laws applicable to said park.

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

Approved April 14, 1903.

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#### CHAPTER 219.

*An act legalizing the appointment of administrators made without notice in certain cases.*

H. F. No. 379.

Legalizing  
appointment  
of adminis-  
trators, in  
certain cases.

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

SECTION 1. Whenever prior to the taking effect of chapter fifty-nine (59) of the General Laws of the State of Minnesota for the year 1901, relating to the appointment without notice of administrators in certain cases,