

Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 18, 1921.

CHAPTER 360—H. F. No. 950.

An act validating probate proceedings in cases of lost or destroyed will heretofore had in this state, and validating the final decree entered therein.

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

Section 1. Probate Court proceedings legalized in certain cases.—That all proceedings in any Probate Court in this state heretofore had and completed prior to the year A. D. 1912, and the final decree entered therein, shall be and the same hereby is validated and rendered binding, conclusive and effective in the following cases and against the following objections, viz:—

(a). In case of a lost or destroyed will, where the petition for the probate thereof does not set forth or embody the provisions of such lost or destroyed will, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3688, Revised Laws, 1905 and acts ammendatory thereof or supplementary thereto.

(b). In case of a lost or destroyed will, where the notice of hearing of the petition for the probate thereof does not set forth or embody the provisions of such lost or destroyed will in accordance with the provisions of Section 3688, Revised Laws, 1905 and acts ammendatory thereof or supplementary thereto.

Sec. 2. Same.—In all the cases set forth in Section one hereof, all such probate proceedings and the final decree entered therein be and the same and each thereof hereby is declared to be valid and sufficient for all purposes to the same extent as if said provisions of said section 3688, Revised Laws, 1905, and supplementary or ammendatory acts had been in said probate proceedings specifically complied with.

Sec. 3. Not to affect pending actions.—This act shall not affect any action or proceedings now pending in any of the courts of this state directly brought for the purpose of testing any such defective probate proceedings.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force and effect from and after its passage.

Approved April 18, 1921.

CHAPTER 361—H. F. No. 959.

An act relating to the salary, compensation and allowances of county officers, their deputies and assistants.

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

Section 1. **Salaries of officers not to be reduced.**—The salary, compensation or allowances of county officers, including judges of probate, their deputies and assistants, as now or hereafter provided by law, shall not be reduced or diminished by reason of reduction in the assessed valuation of property in any county due to the omission of motor vehicles from the tax rolls thereof, under any law or laws enacted or hereafter enacted pursuant to the provisions of article 16 of the constitution of the state of Minnesota.

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

Approved April 18, 1921.

CHAPTER 362—H. F. No. 362.

An act to amend the laws relating to the municipal court of the city of St. Paul.

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

Section 1. **Municipal court, city of St. Paul.**—That section 1 of chapter 351, Special Laws 1889,, confirming and continuing the municipal court of the City of St. Paul, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows :

Section 1. The municipal court now existing in the city of Saint Paul, in the county of Ramsey and state of Minnesota is hereby confirmed, continued and established as a court for the transaction of all judicial business which may lawfully come before it.

Said court shall be a court of record and shall have a clerk and a seal and shall have jurisdiction to hear, try and determine civil actions at law where the amount in controversy does not exceed (\$500.00) and interest and costs, except as hereinafter provided.

The jurisdiction of the court shall not extend to any civil action involving the title to real estate, save and exact an action brought under and pursuant to chapter 76, General Statutes 1913, relating to forcible entry and unlawful detainer, nor to any action for divorce, nor to any action wherein the relief demanded in the complaint is equitable in its nature.

The said court shall have exclusive jurisdiction to hear all complaints and conduct all examinations and trials in criminal cases arising or triable within the County of Ramsey heretofore cognizable before a justice of the peace or arising under the charter ordinances, laws, regulations or by-laws of said city of St. Paul. The provision contained in section 7725, General Statutes 1913, relating to change of venue shall apply to all civil actions begun in said court.

Sec. 2. **Judges—Qualifications—Election.**—That section 4 of said chapter 351 be and the same if hereby amended so as to read as follows :