

estate by performing labor, or furnishing skill, material or machinery for any of the purposes hereinafter stated, whether under contract with the owner of such real estate or at the instance of any agent, trustee, contractor or subcontractor of such owner, shall have a lien upon said improvement, and upon the land on which it is situated or to which it may be removed, for the price or value of such contribution; that is to say, for the erection, alteration, repair, or removal of any building, fixture, bridge, wharf, fence, or other structure thereon, or for grading, filling in or excavating the same, or for clearing, grubbing, or first breaking, or for furnishing and placing soil or sod, or for furnishing and planting of trees, shrubs or plant materials, or for labor performed in placing soil or sod, or for labor performed in planting trees, shrubs or plant materials, or for digging or repairing any ditch, drain, well, fountain, cistern, reservoir, or vault thereon, or for laying, altering or repairing any sidewalk, curb, gutter, paving, sewer, pipe, or conduit in or upon the same, or in or upon the adjoining half of any highway, street or alley upon which the same abuts.

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CHAPTER 275—S. F. No. 258.

An act legalizing the record of all conveyances and other instruments affecting the title to real property in all counties of the state heretofore created from territory formerly lying wholly within another county where such conveyances and instruments have been recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the parent county after the issuance of Governor's proclamation creating such new county.

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

Section 1. Certain records and conveyances legalized.—That the records of all conveyances or other instruments affecting the title to real property in any county of this state heretofore created from territory formerly lying wholly within another county where such conveyances and instruments have been recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the parent county after the issuance of the governor's proclamation creating such new county are hereby declared to be in all respects valid and legal, and shall have the same force and effect as conveyances of title and for purpose of notice evidence or otherwise as though recorded in such new county, and shall be forthwith transcribed to the records of the new county in the manner provided by law for the transcribing of other records in the office of the Register of Deeds of the parent county affecting real estate in the new county. *Provided, that this act shall not apply to any actions or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of*

this state, nor shall it affect the rights of persons in good faith acquiring interests in real estate prior to the passage of this act, in reliance upon the records of the new county.

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

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CHAPTER 276—S. F. No. 373.

(Secs. 6347-6394, G. S. 1923.)

An act relating to state timber and state lands, defining and prohibiting trespass thereon, providing and prescribing regulations for and the terms and conditions upon which state timber and forest products may be sold, prescribing penalties for violation of this act, fixing rules for interpretation thereof, and repealing inconsistent acts but saving all existing rights thereunder.

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

Section 1. **State Timber Act.**—This act shall be deemed and construed as a revision and expansion of, and is intended to supersede and take the place of, Chapter 204, General Laws of Minnesota for 1905, and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto and other laws relating to the same subject matter, but without in any way abridging or destroying the effect of said laws heretofore in force with respect to any right or obligation arising or any matter or thing occurring prior to the taking effect of this act.

This act may be cited as the State Timber Act.

Sec. 2. **Definitions.**—For the purposes of this act the following words and terms have the following meanings, to-wit:

(a) The word "auditor" means the state auditor.

(b) The term "timber board" means the board of timber commissioners, and their successors in authority by whatever name or title designated.

(c) The term "state appraisers" means the same as in Chapter 162, Session Laws of 1917, creating state appraisers, which includes timber estimators and land examiners.

(d) The term "surveyor general" means the state surveyor general of logs and lumber, and the term "deputy surveyor general" means one of his deputies, as defined in Chapter 440, Session Laws of 1919.

(e) The word "timber" means trees, whether standing or cut or down, logs, posts, poles, ties, paving blocks, laths, shingles, cordwood, and lumber and forest products of every species and description.

(f) The term "merchantable timber" means and includes all