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

Section 1. Fraudulent appropriation of electricity.—That Section 10434, General Statutes, 1923, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"10434. Every person who shall wilfully make any connection with any meter, pipe, conduit, wire, line, or other apparatus belonging to any person, firm, company or muncipality using, or engaged in the manufacture, supply, sale or distribution of electricity, electric current, gas, water or heat, for the purpose of taking, using or wasting such electricity, electric current, gas, water or heat, or shall wilfully prevent any meter from duly measuring or registering the quantity of such commodity supplied, or shall in any way interfere with its proper action or just registration, or shall without the consent of such person, municipality, firm, or corporation, wilfully divert any such commodity of such person, municipality, firm or corporation, or in any way wilfully use or cause to be used without the consent of such person, municipality, firm or corporation, any such commodity manufactured or distributed by such person, municipality, firm or corporation, or shall aid, agree with, employ, or conspire with any other person to do any of the said acts, or who shall deposit in any meter or other apparatus used by an electric light or telephone company, or other person, municipality, firm or corporation, for the pre-payment for current or service any token, article or device, except lawful coin of the United States, for the purpose of fraudulently obtaining such cur-

rent or service, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor." Approved April 19, 1927.

CHAPTER 299—H, F. No. 136.

An act authorizing the renewal of the period of corporate existence of certain corporations whose period of duration has expired without the renewal thereof, and legalizing acts and contracts of such corporations made or done and performed subsequent to the expiration of the original period of existence of such corporations.

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

Section 1. Corporate existence renewed.—That in any case where a corporation created by and under the laws of this State shall have duly adopted a resolution extending its corporate existence, by a vote of more than three-fourths of the stock of such corporation, for a period of not to exceed 30 years from its expiration, and without opposition from any stockholder thereof, and such resolution was duly adopted within the period of its corporate existence and within one

year prior to the termination of such corporate, and where a certified copy thereof has not been filed, recorded and published, as provided by Law, within the period of its corporate existence, or since, and where such corporation has continued to transact its business, such corporation shall have six months from and after the passage of this act to cause a certified copy of such resolution to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County where such corporation is located, and in the office of the Secretary of State, and to have the same duly published as provided by law, and upon doing so, and upon paying to the State Treasurer the same incorporation fees as now provided by law for the renewal of corporate existence of such corporation where such renewal is made before the end of its period of duration, the extension of the existence of said corporation shall be, and hereby is declared to be, in all respects, legal and valid, and shall have the same force and effect as if renewed prior to the expiration of its term of existence.

- Sec. 2. Acts validated.—When such steps are taken within such period, such proceedings shall relate back to the date of the date of the expiration of said original corporate period, and when said period is extended as provided by this act, any and all corporate acts and contracts done, performed, made and entered into after the expiration of said original period shall be and each is hereby declared to be legal and valid.
- Sec. 3. Application.—This act shall not apply to any corporation the charter of which has been declared forfeited by the final judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction in this state, nor to any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts in this state.

Approved April 19, 1927.

CHAPTER 300-H. F. No. 205.

An act to amend Section 9356, General Statutes 1923, relating to garnishment actions, affidavit and summons in connection there-

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

Section 1. Affidavit—garnishee summons—title of action.— In an action in a court of record or justice court for the recovery of money, if the plaintiff, his agent or attorney, at the time of issuing the summons, or at any time during the pendency of the action, or after judgment therein against the defendant, files with the clerk of the court, or, if the action is in a justice