

282.33 LOST OR DESTROYED DEEDS.

Subdivision 1. **Application for new deed; fee.** Whenever an unrecorded deed from the state of Minnesota conveying tax-forfeited lands shall have been lost or destroyed, an application, in form approved by the attorney general, for a new deed may be made by the grantee or the grantee's successor in interest to the commissioner of revenue. If it appears to the commissioner of revenue that the facts stated in the petition are true, the commissioner shall issue a new deed to the original grantee, in form approved by the attorney general, with like effect as the original deed. The commissioner shall send the new deed to the county recorder, who after recording the deed will forward it to the county auditor. The application shall be accompanied by a fee of \$25, payable to the commissioner of revenue, which shall be deposited with the commissioner of finance and credited to the general fund.

Subd. 2. **Ratification of old deeds lost or destroyed.** All declarations or certificates heretofore issued by the commissioner of revenue relating to the issuance of state deeds to tax-forfeited lands which have been lost or destroyed are hereby ratified. Every such declaration or certificate and the record thereof shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated.

History: 1943 c 195; 1945 c 131 s 1; 1969 c 399 s 1; 1973 c 582 s 3; 1974 c 160 s 1; 1983 c 222 s 20; 1985 c 300 s 16; 1986 c 444; 1987 c 268 art 7 s 52; 1991 c 291 art 12 s 20; 2003 c 112 art 2 s 50