

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Incorporation  
legalized.

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of said town of Fonda be and the same is hereby legalized as fully and completely as if all the requirements of the law relating to the incorporation of towns had been strictly complied with.

Elections etc.,  
legalized.

SEC. 2. That all elections held by said incorporated town, and all ordinances passed by the council of said incorporated town and all the official acts done by the several officers of said town are hereby legalized and declared to be as valid and binding as though the law had been strictly complied with in the incorporation of said town.

Publication.

SEC. 3. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, and the Pocahontas Times, a newspaper published at Fonda, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved, March 14, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register* March 19, and in the *Pocahontas Times* March 20, 1884.  
J. A. T. HULL, *Secretary of State.*

## CHAPTER 13.

### TOLL-BRIDGES OVER STREAMS DIVIDING COUNTIES.

S. F. 202.

AN ACT Authorizing Boards of Supervisors to Purchase Keep up and Maintain Bridges over Streams Dividing their Respective Counties

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Board of su-  
pervisors may  
purchase.

Maintain at  
joint expense  
—free.

Cost limited.

SECTION 1. That boards of supervisors in adjoining counties each of which contains according to the last census a population exceeding 10,000 inhabitants shall have authority to purchase and acquire any toll-bridge erected across any stream dividing said counties at the place said bridge is erected and keep and maintain the same at joint expense as a free public bridge, provided that the total cost of such bridge shall not exceed the sum of \$10,000.

Proceedings  
where boards  
of supervisors  
agree.

Proceedings  
where boards  
are unable to  
agree.

SEC. 2. If said boards of supervisors are able to agree upon the terms upon which they will purchase such bridge and the proportion each will pay towards the purchase and maintenance of the same, such agreement shall be reduced to writing signed by the respective chairmen and recorded in the records of their proceedings. But if they are unable to thus agree the county desiring to purchase said bridge may institute a special proceeding in the circuit court of either of said counties, and said

cause shall be conducted as an equitable cause and the court shall determine whether there is any public necessity for said bridge the relative benefit the same will be to the two counties and based upon such benefit the proportion each county shall bear in the purchase and maintenance of said bridge, and shall enter decree accordingly, either or both parties having the right of appeal to the supreme court. Upon entering of a decree in favor of the purchase of such bridge it shall be the duty of said respective boards of supervisors at once to proceed to complete the purchase upon such terms as are determined on and to forthwith levy the necessary taxes to make the payments and said counties shall thereafter keep and maintain such bridge and be responsible for the safe condition thereof as provided by law.

Finding of court.

Right of appeal.

Completion of purchase.

Tax levy for purchase.

SEC. 3. This act being deemed by the general assembly of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Leader and Iowa State Register, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Publication.

Approved, March 14, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Leader* March 18, and in the *Iowa State Register* March 19, 1884.  
J. A. T. HULL, *Secretary of State*.

## CHAPTER 14.

ENABLING M. E. CHURCH OF IOWA CITY TO CONVEY CERTAIN LANDS.

AN ACT to Enable the Methodist Episcopal Church of Iowa City, S. F. 162, Johnson County, Iowa, to Sell and Convey Certain Realty.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

SECTION 1. That the Methodist Episcopal Church of Iowa City, Johnson county, Iowa be and it is hereby authorized by and through its acting trustees, or their successors in office, to sell and convey, by proper deeds of conveyance and at public or private sale as to them shall seem best, all or any part of lots numbered five and six (5 and 6) of block sixty-seven (67) in Iowa City, the proceeds of such sale to be used in the erection or improvement of a church building for the use of said church as a house of worship in Iowa City and for no other purpose.

Sale authorized.

Land described.

Use of proceeds.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Leader and the Iowa State Press, newspapers published in Iowa—at Des Moines and Iowa City respectively.

Publication.

Approved, March 14, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Leader* March 18, and in the *Iowa State Press* March 19, 1884.  
J. A. T. HULL, *Secretary of State*.