

## CHAPTER 169.

AN ACT to legalize the purchase of ground by the Independent Dist. H. F. 478.  
No 9 of West Lafayette township, Keokuk Co., Iowa.

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

That the action of the board of directors of school Dist Act legalized.  
No 9, West Lafayette township, Keokuk Co., Iowa, in the purchase of additional land, is hereby legalized and made valid, as if done according to law, said purchase being made on the 5. day of March, 1896.

Provided, that nothing in this act shall in any manner affect any pending litigation.

Approved April 30, 1896

## CHAPTER 170.

AN ACT to legalize the organization and official proceedings of the H. F. 440.  
Independent School District of Cooper in Greene county, Iowa.

WHEREAS, Certain territory in the district township of Franklin, Greene county, Iowa, was, in the month of February, 1896, organized into an independant school district, to be known as the Independent District of Cooper, composed of sections nine (9), ten (10), fifteen (15), and sixteen (16), township eighty-three, range thirty west of the fifth principal meridian of Iowa, comprising within its limits the town of Cooper. A board of directors was duly elected, and other acts performed which by law devolved upon electors and directors of independent districts; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen concerning the legality of said independent district for the reason that the notices for the election of a separate organization did not contain a proper description of the said territory, and for the reason that the law as we believe was not in all particulars complied with in the holding of said election in said town of Cooper; therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the organization of the independent district of Cooper, of Greene county, Iowa, the election of directors, and the official acts of said directors be and the same are hereby legalized and made valid the same as though said independent district was organized in strict conformity with all requirements of law. Provided, that nothing herein contained shall affect any pending litigation.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force and effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Jefferson Souvenir,

newspapers published at Des Moines and Jefferson, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved March 11th 1896.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, March 13, and Jefferson Souvenir, March 14, 1896.

W. M. MCFARLAND,  
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 171.

S. F. 253. AN ACT to legalize the organization of the independent School-District of Larrabee, Cherokee county, Iowa.

Act illegal. WHEREAS, Certain territory in the district township of Cedar, Cherokee county, Iowa, was in the month of July, 1894, organized into an independent school district known as the independent district of Larrabee, Iowa, said district being composed of the following territory: The west half of the west half of section fourteen (14), and the west half of the west half of section twenty-three (23), all of section fifteen (15), the east half of section sixteen (16), the northeast quarter of section twenty-one (21), the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty-one, all of section twenty-two (22), and the north half of section twenty-seven (27), all in township ninety-three (93), range forty (40), west of the fifth P. M., and embracing within its limits the village of Larrabee, Cherokee county, Iowa;

Doubts as to sufficient notice. WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of said organization for the reason that the notice announcing an election for the purpose of determining whether there should be a separate school organization, and describing the boundaries thereof and fixing the time and place of such election, was insufficient, in that said notice was posted seven days before said election instead of ten days as required by law, and

Time. WHEREAS, The said organization has been acting continuously as an independent district since said time, has acquired property, contracted debts, issued its bonds, levied taxes, maintained schools, and done all such other acts as an independent school district is authorized to do; therefore:

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

Acts of board. Legalized. SECTION 1. That all the steps taken and all acts done toward organizing the territory above described are hereby declared to be sufficient to constitute an independent school district, and said territory is hereby declared to be such a district.

Acts binding. SEC. 2. That all acts done by the said independent school district under the said organization are hereby legalized and declared to be binding upon all persons or parties interested therein, the same as if the said acts had