

CHAPTER 214.

H. F. 80. AN ACT to legalize the acts of J. H. Ellsworth, of Clayton County, Iowa, as Notary Public.

WHEREAS, J. H. Ellsworth, of Clayton county, Iowa, was duly appointed and qualified as a Notary Public within and for Clayton county, Iowa, on the 4th day of July, 1891; and,

WHEREAS, His said commission and authority so to act as such Notary Public terminated on the 4th day of July A. D. 1894; and,

WHEREAS The said J. H. Ellsworth thereafter continued to act as such Notary Public after the termination of his said term of office;

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

Acts legal-
ized.

All acts de-
clared valid.

SECTION 1. That all the official acts of J. H. Ellsworth as Notary Public done and executed by him since the 4th day of July, 1894, be and the same are hereby declared to be legal, binding, and valid the same as if the commission of said J. H. Ellsworth as such notary public had been in full force and effect, and he had been duly qualified as such notary public during said time; and that all rights vested and accrued, or accruing under any of said acts, be and the same are hereby declared valid and binding in law.

This act shall not affect the rights of parties in any action now pending in any court in this state.

Publication.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force and take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and the Des Moines Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa, and in the North Iowa Times, a weekly newspaper published at McGregor, Clayton County, Iowa, without expense to the State of Iowa.

Approved March 14, 1896.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines Leader, March 19, and North Iowa Times, March 26, 1896.

W. M. MCFARLAND,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 215.

S. F. 302.

Justice
elected.

AN ACT to legalize the acts of S. R. Cross, a justice of the peace in and for Norway township, Winnebago County, Iowa.

Whereas, S. R. Cross of Norway township, in the County of Winnebago and State of Iowa, was at the annual election held in November, 1894, duly elected a justice of the peace in and for said township and county,

and thereafter duly took the oath of office and executed a proper bond as such justice of the peace, but through mistake said bond was never filed in the office of the Auditor of said County or approved by the board of supervisors; and Bond not filed

Whereas, the said S. R. Cross has performed certain acts as such justice of the peace between the first Monday in January, 1895, and the first day of February, 1896; Now, therefore, Illegal acts.

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

SECTION 1. That all acts of said S. R. Cross as justice of the peace done and performed between the first Monday in January, 1895, and the first day of February, 1896, be and the same are hereby declared to be legal and valid to the same extent as though said bond had been duly filed and approved, and said S. R. Cross had duly qualified as such justice of the peace; Acts declared legal and valid.

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

Approved March 19, 1896.

CHAPTER 216.

AN ACT to legalize the issuing of certain warrants on the general fund and certain funding and refunding bonds by the city of Ottumwa, Iowa. S. F. 278.

Whereas, The city of Ottumwa, Iowa, in the years 1889, '90, '91, '92, '93, '94, and '95, issued certain warrants against its general fund; and,

Whereas, said city on the 20th day of December, 1895, passed and approved an ordinance authorizing the issuing of Forty (40) one thousand dollar funding bonds to take up said warrants; said bonds dated January 1, 1896, twenty years at four and a half per cent; and

Whereas, said city, February 10, 1896, passed and approved an ordinance authorizing the issuing of Thirty (30) one thousand dollar refunding bonds, dated March 1, 1896, 5-20's at four and a half per cent, with which to take up and pay off certain funding bonds issued by said city in the year 1889; and

Whereas, questions as to the legality of said warrants have arisen as to whether the city was within its constitutional limit of indebtedness when said warrants were issued; and

Whereas, at the time of the passage of the aforesaid ordinances said city of Ottumwa, Iowa, was within the legal limit of its indebtedness; therefore,