fund the said sum of \$21,702.87 realized on its water tax levy for 1906, 1907 and 1908, which was retained by the said city and the right to which was relinquished and transferred by said Public Water Company to said city is hereby legalized and made binding and effective and the same shall be and is legal, valid and binding, and of the same force and effect as if said five mill levy in each of said years had been levied and collected under the provisions of subdivision 5 of Sec. 894 of the supplement of 1907 to the code, and that said sum of money shall be used and paid out on the order of the water works trustees for the same purposes and in the same manner as if originally levied and collected under said subdivision 5 of said Sec. 894 of the supplement of 1907 to the code.

SEC. 2. Tax levy legalized. That the action of the city council of Ottumwa, Iowa, in levying the five mill water tax in 1910 and said resolution passed by said city council making the same a water works levy and providing that the amount collected on said levy be placed in the water works fund of said city and used and paid out upon the order of the water works trustees for the same purposes and in the same manner as if said levy had been made under subdivision 5 of Sec. 894 of the supplement of 1907 to the code, be and the same is hereby validated and legalized, and said levy is a valid and legal levy under the provsions of subdivision 5 of Sec. 894 of the supplement of 1907 to the code with the same force and effect as if it had been originally made under said subdivision 5 of said Sec. 894 and the money collected and to be collected from said levy shall be and is a part of the water works fund of said city of Ottumwa.

Sec. 3. In effect. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its publication in the Des Moines Register & Leader and the Ottumwa Courier and said publication shall be without expense to the state.

Approved February 8, A. D. 1911.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader and the Ottumwa Courier, February 13, 1911.

W. C. HAYWARD.

Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 257.

THE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PATON.

H. F. 383.

AN ACT to legalize a special election of the independent school district of Paton in the county of Greene, and state of Iowa, and all proceedings precedent thereto and to authorize the issue of bonds.

Whereas, the electors of the independent school district of Paton, in the county of Greene and state of Iowa, at a special election held on the ninth (9) day of May, nineteen hundred ten, (1910) pursuant to petition, order and notice as provided by sections twenty-eight hundred twenty-a (2820-a), twenty-eight hundred twenty-b (2820-b), twenty-eight hundred twenty-c (2820-c) and twenty-eight hundred twenty-d (2820-d) of the supplement to the code, 1907, did authorize the board of directors of said school district to issue bonds of the district in the sum of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000.00) for school purposes; and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen regarding the legality of the said petition, order, notice and election in said independent school district and as to the right of the board of directors to issue said bonds, therefore,

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

- Section 1. Election and proceedings legalized—bonds authorized. That said election and all proceedings precedent thereto, including the petition, order and notice and all proceedings had under sections twenty-eight hundred twenty-a (2820-a), twenty-eight hundred twenty-b (2820-b), twenty-eight hundred twenty-c (2820-c) and twenty-eight hundred twenty-d (2820-d) of the supplement to the code, 1907, are hereby declared to have the same force and effect as though said provisions were in full force and effect at the time of said proceedings, and the board of directors of the said independent school district of Paton, in the county of Greene, state of Iowa, are hereby authorized to issue bonds for school house purposes, in the sum of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000.00) with the same force and effect as though said election and all proceedings precedent thereto had been authorized by law.
- Sec. 2. **Pending litigation.** Nothing in this act shall affect in any way any pending litigation in relation to the subject matter hereof.
- SEC. 3. In effect. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Paton Portrait a newspaper published at Paton Iowa and Register & Beader a newspaper published at Des Moines Iowa, which publication shall be without cost to the state.

Approved March 27, A. D. 1911.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader March 30, 1911, and in the Paton Portrait, March 31, 1911.

W. C. HAYWARD, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 258.

THE SCHOOL TOWNSHIP OF PLEASANT, MONROE COUNTY.

H. F. 78.

AN ACT to legalize the acts of the directors of school township of Pleasant, in the county of Monroe and state of Iowa in contracting for the erection of an addition to school house in the village of Lockman in sub-district No. 11 of said township, and levying a tax therefor.

Whereas, on the 3rd day of September, A. D. 1908 a contract was entered into by and between Guthrie & Holst, contractors and the school township of Pleasant in the county of Monroe and state of Iowa, for the erection of an addition to the school house located in the village of Lockman, in said township, county and state, and being in sub-district No. 11 of said school township, said addition to be erected for the sum of four hundred seventy dollars (\$470.00) and

Whereas, no election was had prior to the entering into of said contract for the purpose of authorizing the building of said addition and the levy of tax therefor, and

Whereas, an election was subsequently held by the electors of said school township, at which election a tax was voted for school house purposes, and,

Whereas, the said school house and addition thereto was afterwards destroyed by fire, and the money acquired by said tax levy was used for the