

1 **SEC. 2. Publication clause.** This act being deemed of immediate
 2 importance shall be in force and effect from and after its publication
 3 in the Register and Leader, a newspaper published in Des Moines,
 4 Iowa, and the Colfax Clipper, a newspaper published in the town of
 5 Colfax, Iowa.

Approved April 17, A. D. 1915.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader April 27, 1915 and in the Colfax Clipper April 29, 1915.

W. S. ALLEN, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 251.

MARGARET MURPHY.

S. F. 608.

AN ACT confirming the title of Margaret Murphy to certain meandered lands in section number twenty (20), township number ninety-seven (97), north of range number thirty-five (35), west of the fifth (5th) principal meridian, in Clay county, Iowa, and authorizing and directing the issuance of a patent therefor.

WHEREAS, in the original United States survey of section twenty (20), in township ninety-seven (97), north of range thirty-five (35), west of the fifth principal meridian, Clay county, Iowa, a portion thereof was meandered and set apart, as a lake or lake bed, the said portion so meandered and set apart, so far as the said title of said Margaret Murphy is concerned, being as follows, to wit:

Beginning at a point on the west line of the said section twenty (20), township and range aforesaid, twenty-eight and thirty-seven hundredths (28.37) chains north of the southwest corner of said section twenty (20), township and range aforesaid, running thence north forty-five (45) degrees east twelve (12) chains, thence north thirty-eight (38) degrees east eighteen (18) chains, thence north twenty-seven and one-half (27½) degrees east to the southwest corner of lot numbered one (1) in said section twenty (20), township and range aforesaid; thence due west eight and forty-five hundredths (8.45) chains to the southeast corner of lot numbered five (5) in said section twenty (20), township and range aforesaid; beginning again at the above named point of beginning, running thence north on the west line of said section twenty (20), township and range aforesaid, a distance of one and seventy-hundredths (1.70) chains, thence north thirty-three (33) degrees east nine and eighteen-hundredths (9.18) chains, thence north twenty (20) degrees east seventeen (17) chains, thence north thirty-five (35) degrees east to the southeast corner of lot numbered five (5) in said section twenty (20), township and range aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, the above described meandered land has for more than twenty years last past been in the actual, open and notorious, continuous and uninterrupted, undisputed, peaceable, adverse possession and occupancy of the said Margaret Murphy and her grantors, and has been during all of

said time enclosed with other lands as a farm, and improved and cultivated as a farm, the said Margaret Murphy and her grantors claiming during said time to be the successive owners of the land above described as meandered; and

WHEREAS, the state of Iowa has never claimed or asserted title to any portion of said meandered land; and

WHEREAS, the said land within said meandered limits as above set forth has not, for more than twenty years last past, been occupied by water or swamp, but has at all times been and constituted agricultural land capable of producing crops of grain, and has in fact produced crops of grain during said period of time; and

WHEREAS, any right, title or interest in or claim to the land within said meandered limits accruing to the state of Iowa by reason of said meander having been lost and forfeited by the state of Iowa by reason of the fact that the said state of Iowa has failed and neglected for more than fifty years to assert the same, but has permitted the said land to be used and occupied and improved as agricultural land; and

WHEREAS, the apparent rights of the state of Iowa by virtue of the fact that said land is meandered land, do, however, constitute a cloud upon the title thereto which it is desired and desirable to have removed:

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

1 **SECTION 1. Patent authorized.** That the title to the said land, to
 2 wit, a tract of land described as follows: Beginning at a point on the
 3 west line of section twenty (20), in township ninety-seven (97), north
 4 of range thirty-five (35), west of the fifth principal meridian, in Clay
 5 county, Iowa, twenty-eight and thirty-seven hundredths (28.38*)
 6 chains north of the southwest corner of said section twenty (20), town-
 7 ship and range aforesaid, running thence north forty-five (45) degrees
 8 east twelve (12) chains, thence north thirty-eight (38) degrees east
 9 eighteen (18) chains, thence north twenty-seven and one-half (27½)
 10 degrees east to the southwest corner of lot numbered one (1) in said
 11 section twenty (20), township and range aforesaid, thence due west
 12 eight and forty-five hundredths (8.45) chains to the southeast corner
 13 of lot numbered five (5) in said section twenty (20), township and
 14 range aforesaid; beginning again at the above named point of be-
 15 ginning, running thence north on the west line of said section twenty
 16 (20), township and range aforesaid, a distance of one and seventy
 17 hundredths (1.70) chains, thence north thirty-three (33) degrees east
 18 nine and 18-100 (9.18) chains, thence north twenty (20) degrees east
 19 seventeen (17) chains, thence north thirty-five degrees east to the
 20 southeast corner of said lot numbered five (5) in said section twenty
 21 (20), township and range aforesaid; it being hereby declared to be the
 22 intent to include in the description aforesaid, all of the meandered
 23 lands in the west half of said section twenty (20), township and
 24 range aforesaid, lying south of a continuous line running from the
 25 northwest corner of lot numbered four (4) in said section twenty (20)
 26 east to the northeast corner of lot numbered two (2) in said section
 27 twenty (20), township and range aforesaid; is hereby confirmed in
 28 said Margaret Murphy, her heirs and assigns forever, and the governor

[*Error in enrolling. Original bill reads "(28.37)".]

29 and secretary of state are hereby authorized and directed to execute
 30 and issue, without expense to the state of Iowa, a patent in the usual
 31 form, to the said Margaret Murphy, conveying to her and to her heirs
 32 and assigns forever, the premises in this section of this act described,
 33 and to deliver the said patent to the said Margaret Murphy.

1 **SEC. 2. Pending litigation.** Nothing in this act shall be so con-
 2 strued as to affect pending litigation concerning the title to the land
 3 herein described.

1 **SEC. 3. Publication clause.** This act being deemed of immediate
 2 importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publi-
 3 cation in the Register and Leader, a newspaper published at Des
 4 Moines, Iowa, and the Spencer Reporter, a newspaper published at
 5 Spencer, Iowa, such publication to be without expense to the state of
 6 Iowa.

Approved April 17, A. D. 1915.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Spencer Reporter, May 5, 1915, and in the Register and Leader, May 10, 1915.

W. S. ALLEN, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 252.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT OF DALLAS CENTER.

H. F. 638.

AN ACT to legalize the action of the independent school district of Dallas Center, Dallas county, Iowa, in voting bonds at an election held on the 10th day of April, 1915, and legalizing the bonds to be issued by said district under said election.

WHEREAS, upon petition of a majority of the qualified electors of the independent school district of Dallas Center, Dallas county, Iowa, voting at the last election, a special election was held in said district on the 10th day of April, 1915, to vote upon the issuance of bonds in the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for the erection, equipping and furnishing an eight room school house in the vicinity of or on Block No. Eleven (11) in the town of Dallas Center, Dallas county, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, notice of said election was given by publication once in each week in the four consecutive weeks preceding said election in the Dallas Center Times, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, published at Dallas Center in said district, to wit: on March 18th and 25th and April 1st and 8th; and

WHEREAS, at said election 266 votes were cast for and 172 votes were cast against the issuance of said bonds and the said proposition was declared duly carried; and

WHEREAS, said bonds to the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) are to be issued pursuant to said vote, bearing interest at 5% per annum, and the proceeds of said bonds are to be expended in the erection, equipping and furnishing of the said school building referred to above; and