Except as provided in section 654.18, a deed of trust or mortgage of real estate shall not be foreclosed in any other manner than by action in court by equitable proceedings.

[C51, §2083, 2096; R60, §3660, 3673, 4179; C73, §3319; C97, §4287; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §12372; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §654.1]

85 Acts, ch 252, §45