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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act to legalize certain city and county deeds and conveyances.  
2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 589.31 CITY OR COUNTY DEEDS.  
 2 All deeds and conveyances of land executed by or purporting  
 3 to be executed by the governing body of a city or county, and  
 4 placed of record more than ten years earlier, which deeds or  
 5 conveyances purport to sustain the record title, are legalized  
 6 and valid, even though the record fails to show that all  
 7 necessary steps in the conveyance and deeding of the property  
 8 were complied with. The deeds and conveyances are legalized  
 9 and valid as if the record showed that the law had been  
 10 complied with, and that the conveyances and deeding had been  
 11 duly authorized by the governing body of the city or county.

12 EXPLANATION

13 This bill legalizes deeds or conveyances of property by  
 14 cities and counties which were recorded over 10 years earlier  
 15 even though the record of which does not show that all the  
 16 required steps in the conveyance and deeding of the property  
 17 were complied with. This provision is similar to provisions  
 18 legalizing sheriff's deeds (section 589.12) and sales of real  
 19 estate by school districts (section 589.25).

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