

certificate of the publisher appended to said law or laws, as to the date of said publication, shall be *prima facie* evidence of the same, and said certificate shall be *prima facie* evidence of itself.

SEC. 2. **Evidence of distribution, etc.** Be it further enacted, that the certificate of the secretary of state, appended to, and accompanying any bound volume or pamphlet laws of this state, certifying that said laws and resolutions were distributed throughout the state, shall be *prima facie* evidence in all courts in this state, that the same were so distributed, circulated, or published as therein stated.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

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[12] CHAPTER 6.

DEEDS FROM THE STATE.

AN ACT in relation to deeds.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,*

SECTION 1. **Deeds, how made—deeds, effect of.** That all deeds hereafter to be executed by the state of Iowa, for the conveyance of lands within the same, shall be signed by the governor of said state, or the person exercising the office of governor, under the seal of the state, and countersigned by the secretary of said state, or the person exercising that office, which deed, thus executed and delivered, shall convey all of the right, title and interest of the state of Iowa in and to the land therein mentioned, to the grantees mentioned in said deed.

SEC. 2. **Evidence of execution.** That all deeds thus executed and delivered, shall be received in all courts of law or equity in this state, as *prima facie* evidence of their execution and delivery.

SEC. 3. **Need not be recorded.** It shall not be necessary, in order to render any such deed good and valid, that the same should be acknowledged or recorded, as now required by the laws of this state; but should the same be recorded as other deeds, then certified copies thereof may be used in any court of this state, as copies of other deeds are now authorized to be used, and have the same force and legal validity.

SEC. 4. **Minute of deeds—evidence.** It shall be the duty of the secretary of state to procure a suitable blank book in which shall be minuted the number and description of land sold, when the deed was executed, and to whom sold, which said book shall be received in all courts in this state as *prima facie* evidence of the fact or facts therein contained.

Approved, January 22, 1848.

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[13] CHAPTER 7.

DUBUQUE TOWNSHIP.

AN ACT supplemental and amendatory to "an act to amend an act entitled an act for the organization of townships."

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,*

SECTION 1. **Act amended.** That so much of the sixth section of "an act to amend an act entitled an act for the organization of townships," approved, June