

CHAPTER 397.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS LEGALIZED.

S. F. 586.

AN ACT to legalize acknowledgments of instruments and the instruments heretofore made by or to corporations, or under which such corporation is a beneficiary, where the acknowledging officer was at the time of such acknowledgment a stockholder or officer in the corporation.

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

1 SECTION 1. **Acknowledgments legalized.** That the acknowledg-
 2 ments of all deeds, mortgages, or other instruments in writing here-
 3 tofore taken or certified, and which instruments have been recorded
 4 in the recorder's office of any county of this state, including acknowl-
 5 edgments of instruments made by any private or other corporation,
 6 or to which such corporation was a party, or under which such cor-
 7 poration was a beneficiary, and which have been acknowledged be-
 8 fore or certified by any notary public who was at the time of such
 9 acknowledgment or certifying a stockholder or officer in such cor-
 10 poration, be and the same are hereby declared to be legal and valid
 11 official acts of such notaries public, and to entitle such instru-
 12 ments to be recorded, anything in the laws of the state of Iowa in
 13 regard to acknowledgments to the contrary notwithstanding; and
 14 such instruments are, if otherwise valid, hereby declared effectual
 15 and valid in law to all intents and purposes as though acknowledged
 16 or proved before an officer not interested therein, and if heretofore
 17 recorded in the respective counties in which such lands may be, the
 18 records thereof are hereby confirmed and declared effectual and valid
 19 in law to all intents and purposes as though said deeds, mortgages,
 20 and conveyances, so acknowledged or proved and recorded, had (prior
 21 to being recorded) been acknowledged or proved before an officer
 22 having no interest therein.

1 SEC. 2. **Pending litigation.** This act shall not affect the rights
 2 of parties in any action or suit now pending in any court of this
 3 state.

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CHAPTER 398.

TOWNSHIP DRAG FUND.

S. F. 353.

AN ACT to amend the law as it appears in section fifteen hundred twenty-seven-s eight (1527-s8), supplemental supplement to the code, 1915, relating to the improvement of township highways and authorizing the use of a portion of the general township road fund for the purpose of dragging the township road system.

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

1 SECTION 1. **Replenishing township drag fund.** That the law
 2 as it appears in section fifteen hundred twenty-seven-s eight