

4 thousand dollars (\$125,000.00) or so much thereof as may be neces-
 5 sary, as an emergency appropriation for the purposes indicated in
 6 section one (1).

1 SEC. 3. The emergency appropriation provided in section two (2)
 2 of this act shall be paid on the order of the Iowa state board of edu-
 3 cation.

1 SEC. 4. This act, being deemed of immediate importance shall take
 2 effect and be in full force from and after its publication in the Des
 3 Moines Register and Des Moines Capital, newspapers published in Des
 4 Moines, Iowa.

Approved March 23, A. D. 1923.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines Capital
 March 24, 1923, and the Des Moines Register May 29, 1923.

W. C. RAMSAY, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 317

MARTHA VIOLA NEEL

H. F. 489

AN ACT authorizing the issuance of a patent to certain lands in Dallas county, Iowa.

WHEREAS, the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section number twenty-three (23), (except two and one-half (2½) acres in the southeast corner) in township number eighty-one (81) north, of range number twenty-six (26) west of the fifth principal meridian in Dallas county, Iowa, together with other lands was granted by the United States to the state of Iowa, to aid in the improvement of the Des Moines river by act of congress approved August 8th, 1846, and

WHEREAS, by act of the general assembly of the state of Iowa, approved February 24th, 1847, and by act of the general assembly of the state of Iowa, approved January 18th, 1849, a board of public works was created to have general supervision of the work of improvement of the Des Moines river, and to have power to sell the lands donated for such improvement, and

WHEREAS, William Jacobs of Dallas county, Iowa, during the year 1857 did purchase and settle upon according to the provisions of said act of congress and acts of the general assembly of the state of Iowa, the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section number twenty-three (23), (except two and one-half (2½) acres in the southeast corner) in township number eighty-one (81) north, of range number twenty-six (26) west of the fifth principal meridian in Dallas county, Iowa, and

WHEREAS, by mistake a patent was executed by the state of Iowa to William Jacobs for the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of said section number twenty-three (23), and

WHEREAS, a patent was issued by the state of Iowa covering the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of said section number twenty-three

(23) to Bennett Hutchinson prior to the issuance of said patent to William Jacobs, and

WHEREAS, Martha Viola Neel is now the owner and claimant of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of said section number twenty-three (23) by chain of conveyances from said William Jacobs, and

WHEREAS, the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of said section number twenty-three (23) is now held and occupied by Martha Viola Neel and has been so held and occupied by her prior and immediate grantors by actual open and adverse possession for more than fifty (50) years.

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

1 SECTION 1. The governor and secretary of state be, and are hereby
2 authorized, empowered and directed in the name of the state of Iowa
3 and under its seal, to convey by patent to Martha Viola Neel the fol-
4 lowing described real estate in Dallas county, Iowa, to wit:
5 The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section number
6 twenty-three (23), (except two and one-half (2½) acres in the south-
7 east corner) in township number eighty-one (81) north, of range
8 number twenty-six (26) west of the fifth principal meridian. Said
9 patent to issue without expense to the state.

Approved March 28, A. D. 1923.

CHAPTER 318

COMMON CARRIERS

H. F. 498

AN ACT to repeal section three (3), chapter two hundred eighty-four (284), acts of the thirty-seventh (37th) general assembly, as amended by chapter three hundred thirty-seven (337), acts of the thirty-ninth (39th) general assembly, and to enact a substitute in lieu thereof, relating to appropriation of funds to enable the board of railroad commissioners to continue the investigation of the valuation of the property of common carriers made by the interstate commerce commission.

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

1 SECTION 1. **Appropriation.** That the law as it appears in section
2 three (3), chapter two hundred eighty-four (284), acts of the thirty-
3 seventh (37th) general assembly, as amended by chapter three hun-
4 dred thirty-seven (337), acts of the thirty-ninth (39th) general assem-
5 bly, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following enacted in
6 lieu thereof:
7 There is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the state treasury
8 not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand six hundred
9 sixty-six and 67/100 dollars (\$6,666.67), which sum, or so much there-
10 of as may be necessary, shall be expended upon the order of the board
11 of railroad commissioners to carry out the terms and provisions of
12 this act until July 1, 1923; and thereafter there is hereby appropriated