

## CHAPTER 217.

## HEDGES.

## AN ACT relating to hedges and hedge growers.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That all contracts in writing, for the planting or growing of any hedge, shall run with the land which the hedge is designed to benefit, and all transfers of the ownership of land shall operate as a transfer of any hedging contract relating to the same, and the person to whom such land is transferred, no matter by what mode, may sue and be sued upon such hedging contract as though he was one of the original parties to the same.

SEC. 2. All labor or capital expended in pursuance of the contract above mentioned, by any one, in planting or growing any hedge, shall operate as a lien on the land which is to be benefited by the hedge, and the said land shall be liable for the value of the labor and capital expended in planting or growing such hedge, notwithstanding any transfer of the ownership of the land.

SEC. 3. Any hedge planter or grower who desires to establish and perpetuate his lien, shall file with the recorder of deeds in the county where the hedge is situated, a memorandum in writing, having his own signature, containing the following particulars, to wit:

- 1st. The name of the hedge planter or grower.
- 2d. The name of the other party to the contract.
- 3d. The numbers of the land which the hedge is designed to benefit.
- 4th. The date of the contract or time of planting the hedge.
- 5th. The number of rods planted.
- 6th. The price to be paid and the time of payment for the planting or growing of the same.

Such filing shall operate as constructive notice to all persons of the existence of the hedging contract and lien.

SEC. 4. The recorder of deeds shall keep a book for the purpose of recording such memorandums, for which he shall be entitled to the ordinary fees.

**SEC. 5.** Suit may be brought upon hedging contracts, as in ordinary cases, and execution issued against the personal property of the defendant, and the land subject to the lien resorted to afterward in case the demand is not satisfied.

**Recorder's certificate.** **SEC. 6.** The certificate of the recorder endorsed on the memorandum referred to in section 3, shall [be] evidence of the filing and recording of the same, but not evidence of the facts which it contains, which must be established by the production of the contract, or other competent proof.

**SEC. 7.** This act to take effect and be in force from and after its publication according to law.

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## CHAPTER 218.

### UNITED STATES LAND.

**AN ACT giving to the United States jurisdiction and exemption from taxation over and upon all lands purchased as sites for public buildings in Iowa.**

**U. S. jurisdiction.** **SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa.* The exclusive jurisdiction over the lands of the State of Iowa, as the United States has already purchased, or may hereafter purchase within the limits of State of Iowa, is hereby ceded to the United State of America: *Provided*, said United States shall purchase said lands of the purchasers thereof and shall erect thereon buildings for public uses, and provided further, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent, on such lands, the service of judicial process issued by any court of this State, or prevent the courts of this State from exercising jurisdiction of crimes committed thereon.

**Exempt from taxation.** **SEC. 2.** All the lands over which jurisdiction is hereby ceded, and the buildings and property which may be placed thereon by said United States, shall be exempt from taxation so long as the same are owned by said United States.

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