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Judiciary No. 2.

House File 334
By CORNICK.

Passed House, Date
Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Passed Senate, Date.....
Vote: Ayes..... Nays.....
Approved

A BILL FOR

An Act authorizing a patent to issue to lot twenty-nine (29), being the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section sixteen (16), township seventy-three (73), north, range seven (7) west, of the 5th P. M., Henry county, Iowa.

WHEREAS, it appears that on March 3, 1845, the United States of America granted to the state of Iowa the following described land, to wit: Lot twenty-nine (29), being the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section sixteen (16), township seventy-three (73) north, range seven (7) west, of the 5th P. M., Henry county, Iowa.

WHEREAS, it further appears that the school fund sold the foregoing described premises to W. P. McClure on the twelfth day of January, 1849, and

WHEREAS, it appears that the above described property or portions thereof have since that time been sold and resold through a chain of title since the aforementioned sale to W. P. McClure, and

WHEREAS, it appears that no certificate of purchase or patent for said land has ever been issued to the said W. P. McClure or to any other person, and

WHEREAS, it appears that the state of Iowa claims no ownership in the foregoing described land although the apparent legal title thereto still remains in the state of Iowa, and

WHEREAS, the present owner and owners of the above described premises or portions thereof now in possession of said land together with the several previous grantors and grantees, has been in open, actual, notorious and adverse possession of said land and the parts thereof for more than seventy-five (75) years last past; now, therefore,

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. That the Governor and the secretary of state of
2 the state of Iowa are hereby authorized, empowered and directed
3 to issue a patent to W. P. McClure, conveying the lot twenty-nine
4 (29), being the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southeast quarter
5 (SE $\frac{1}{4}$) of section sixteen (16), township seventy-three (73) north,
6 range seven (7) west, of the 5th P. M., Henry county, Iowa for
7 the use and benefit of the successive owners of said land.

1 Sec. 2. This Act being deemed of immediate importance shall
2 be in full force and effect from and after its publication in the
3 Mount Pleasant News, a newspaper published at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa,
4 and in the New London Journal, a newspaper published at New London,
5 Iowa, said publication to be without expense to the state.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 334

This bill is to legalize title on former school lands.