

March 6, 1862.

CHAPTER XXI.—AN ACT to amend an act, entitled "An act to authorize the establishment and regulation of Ferries;" approved February 19, 1851.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Minnesota, Hereafter the Board of Commissioners of the several counties may, and they are hereby authorized to grant ferry licenses for any period not exceeding six years.

License paid to county.

Sec. 2. Any person or persons who have heretofore, and all persons who may hereafter obtain a charter of the Legislature authorizing them to keep and maintain a ferry across any stream in this Territory, shall annually pay into the treasury of the county in which said ferry is situated, or the county to which the county is attached, in which said ferry is situated, such sum, not less than five dollars, nor more than fifty dollars, as the County Commissioners of the respective counties may tax; which said tax shall be paid annually in advance, and the County Treasurer's receipt therefor filed with the Register of Deeds within sixty days after the passage of any act granting to him or them a ferry charter, or license to keep a ferry as aforesaid. And all ferries shall be deemed to be situated in the county in which the keeper thereof resides, on that side of a river on which the ferry house is situated; and no ferry shall be liable to pay tax to but one county.

Indivisible

Sec. 3. Any person or persons failing to comply with the provisions of the second section of this act, shall forfeit all rights, and privileges and immunities that may have accrued to him or them by virtue of any ferry charter, or license, to keep and maintain a ferry granted by the Legislature.

Fine and tax at time

Sec. 4. Any person or persons who shall maintain any ferry, and receive pay for ferriage, without first complying with the provisions of this act, and the provisions of the act to which this is amendatory, shall, in addition to a forfeiture of their charter or license, pay a fine of not less than five, nor more than twenty-five dollars, to be recovered by a civil action before any court having competent jurisdiction; one half of said fine to go to the person prosecuting the suit, and the other half to go to the county; and it shall be the duty of the Register of Deeds, and of the Board of Commissioners, of the several counties, to prosecute all persons keeping a ferry contrary to law.

Sec. 5. So much of the act to which this is amendatory contravening the provisions of this act, is hereby repealed.

J. D. LUDDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
WM. HENRY FORBES,
President of the Council.

APPROVED—March sixth, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two.

ALEX. RAMSEY,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }
St. Paul, July 7, 1862. }

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the original on file in this office.

ALEX. WILKIN,

Secretary of the Territory of Minnesota