

# THE LAWS.

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## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

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### CHAPTER 1.

[H. B. No. 74.]

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AN ACT to Cure Defective Acknowledgments.

*Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:*

§ 1. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.] That the acknowledgments of all deeds, mortgages or other instruments, in writing, taken and certified previous to January 1, 1895, and which have been duly recorded in the proper counties in this State, or in that part of the territory of Dakota now constituting the State of North Dakota, be and the same are hereby declared to be legal and valid in all courts of law and equity in this State or elsewhere, anything in the laws of the territory of Dakota, or State of North Dakota, in regard to acknowledgments to the contrary notwithstanding. *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall in any manner affect the right or title of any bona fide purchaser, without notice of such instrument or record thereof, for a valuable consideration, of any such property or real estate prior to said January 1, 1895. *And provided, further*, That a purchaser at any execution or foreclosure sale of any lands affected by this act shall be considered a bona fide purchaser.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] An emergency exists because of the unsettled condition of many titles throughout the State by reason of defective acknowledgments, therefore this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 4, 1895.