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**CHAPTER 542.**

AN ACT to amend 235.20 of the statutes, relating to the correction of defectively executed deeds.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

235.20 of the statutes is amended to read:

235.20 (1) Any instrument in writing affecting the title to real property in this state, which has been signed by the party or parties, or, if a corporation, by the proper corporate officers, but which instrument is not acknowledged or is defectively acknowledged, or is not properly witnessed, or is not sealed, or was executed without corporate authority, or was otherwise defectively executed, shall, after the same has been recorded in the office of the proper register of deeds for \* \* \* 10 years, have the same force and effect \* \* \* as though such instrument had been originally executed, witnessed, sealed and acknowledged according to law.

(2) Any instrument or certificate in writing made in connection with a map or plat of any lands, affecting the title of real property in this state, which certificate or instrument has been signed by the party or parties, or, if a corporation, by the proper corporate officers, but which instrument or certificate is not acknowledged or is defectively acknowledged, or is not properly witnessed, or is not sealed, or was executed without corporate authority, or was otherwise defectively executed, shall, after the same has been recorded in the office of the proper register of deeds for 10 years, have the same force and effect \* \* \* as though such instrument or certificate had been originally executed, witnessed, sealed and acknowledged as provided by chapter 236.

Approved August 17, 1945.