DISSOLUTION OF BAPTIST ECCLESIASTICAL SOCIETIES
Act 32 of 1929

AN ACT to provide for the voluntary dissolution of ecclesiastical societies auxiliary to Baptist churches and for the disposition of their property.

History: 1929, Act 32, Imd. Eff. Apr. 4, 1929.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

458.171 Meeting of incorporated society; calling.

Sec. 1. Whenever any Baptist church in connection with which there is an incorporated religious or ecclesiastical society organized in accordance with the laws of the territory or state of Michigan, at any regular or called meeting, shall express by ballot and by 2/3 vote of its qualified members present and voting a desire to assume said corporate powers and the direction and control of its property and secular affairs, the trustees of said society upon receiving official notification of the vote of said church shall forthwith call a meeting of said society of which meeting notice shall be given on 3 successive Sundays next preceding the date of said meeting, specifying the time, place and object thereof to consider and vote upon the questions stated in section 2 hereof.

History: 1929, Act 32, Imd. Eff. Apr. 4, 1929;—CL 1929, 10922;—CL 1948, 458.171.

458.172 Meeting of incorporated society; question put to vote; dissolution of society; property, passing to incorporated church.

Sec. 2. At the meeting so called the following question shall be put to vote:

"Shall the title to all the property of the (name of society) be vested in the ..... BAPTIST CHURCH of ..... Michigan and the said society be dissolved?"

The vote shall be by ballot and if 2/3 of the ballots cast shall be in the affirmative a duly certified copy of such resolution shall be transmitted to the clerk of said church who shall call a meeting of said church which shall then prepare, execute and place on record articles of association under and in accordance with the provisions of Act No. 54 of the Public Acts of 1899, and the amendments thereto, or such other act of the state of Michigan as may authorize the incorporation of churches and upon recording of said articles of association as provided in said act the said society shall be dissolved and all property owned by it shall pass to and be held by the said church so incorporated under the name and style adopted by it in the said articles of association and all liabilities of said society shall be assumed and paid by said church.

History: 1929, Act 32, Imd. Eff. Apr. 4, 1929;—CL 1929, 10923;—CL 1948, 458.172.

Compiler's note: For provisions of Act 54 of 1899, referred to in this section, see MCL 458.101 et seq.

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