

**LOYAL ORANGE INSTITUTION (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 55 of 1895**

**457.54 Grand lodge; certified copy of articles as evidence; subordinate lodges, institution; existing lodges; regulation.**

Sec. 4. A copy of the record of such articles of association, under the seal of the state, duly certified according to law shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state, of the existence and due incorporation of such corporation. Such corporation, when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter district and subordinate lodges within this state, and from time to time, to make, ordain, constitute and establish such constitution, general laws and by-laws, ordinances and regulations, as the grand lodge shall judge proper for the regulation and government of such district and subordinate lodges, not repugnant to the laws of this state: Provided, That the existing district and subordinate lodges heretofore duly chartered by the supreme grand lodge of the United States, approved by the state grand lodge, shall be subject to the control of said state grand lodge, under this act, as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent as those that may be hereafter instituted and chartered under this act.

**History:** 1895, Act 55, Imd. Eff. Mar. 29, 1895;—CL 1897, 7836;—CL 1915, 10272;—CL 1929, 10562;—CL 1948, 457.54.