

**METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCHES (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 26 of 1907**

**458.69 Title; passing to annual conference; license to sell; dissolution of corporation.**

Sec. 9. In all cases where property belonging to any church society incorporated under the provisions of this act has been abandoned, or is no longer used for the purpose for which said property was acquired or for the benefit of said church society, and has not been conveyed by said society under the provisions of this act, or said corporation has dissolved or become extinct, the title to said property belonging to said corporation shall pass to the annual conference within whose bounds said property is located. And said annual conference may, by such officer or committee as said conference may designate for that purpose, apply to the circuit court for the county in which said property may be, for license to sell the same. And such license may be granted by said court, after such notice of said application, as the court may direct, and thereupon said property may be sold and the proceeds of such sale disposed of as provided in the book of discipline of the Methodist Protestant church; and said court, upon the hearing of said application, may dissolve said corporation when it shall appear by proof that said society has ceased to support a pastor, or perform the usual functions of a church, for a period of 2 years.

**History:** 1907, Act 26, Imd. Eff. Mar. 20, 1907;—CL 1915, 11067;—CL 1929, 10882;—CL 1948, 458.69.