

**THE HOME RULE VILLAGE ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 278 of 1909**

**78.1 Short title; corporate existence of villages to continue; village subject to general laws; seal; suit.**

Sec. 1. (1) This act shall be known and may be cited as "the home rule village act".

(2) All villages within this state incorporated before September 1, 1909 under any general or special act of the legislature shall continue their corporate character, and any general and special charter provisions for the government of such villages shall continue in force until superseded, amended, or repealed pursuant to this act. A village is subject to all general laws of this state.

(3) A village incorporated under this act shall have a seal and may sue and be sued.

**History:** 1909, Act 278, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 2843;—CL 1929, 1763;—CL 1948, 78.1;—Am. 1994, Act 86, Eff. Oct. 1, 1994.