

**PATENTS TO SWAMP LANDS; ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION**  
**Act 101 of 1869**

AN ACT to provide for the issuing, delivering or depositing patents to swamp lands, and to provide for the assessment and taxation of such lands.

**History:** 1869, Act 101, Imd. Eff. Apr. 2, 1869.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**322.511 Swamp land patents; issuance, application.**

Sec. 1. That whenever any person of [or] persons shall be entitled to state swamp lands, by reason of the performance of any labor, or the fulfillment of any contract, it shall be the duty of the commissioner of the state land office to cause to be issued such patents and deliver the same to the person or persons entitled thereto, if applied for at the state land office; and in case no such application is made within 30 days from the time such person or persons shall be entitled to such swamp lands, (then in such case), the said commissioner shall file such patent or patents in his office, subject to the order of the person or persons entitled to the same.

**History:** 1869, Act 101, Imd. Eff. Apr. 2, 1869;—CL 1871, 3996;—How. 5447;—CL 1897, 1512;—CL 1915, 734;—CL 1929, 6051;—CL 1948, 322.511.

**Compiler's note:** The office of commissioner of the state land office, referred to in this section, was abolished and the powers and duties thereof transferred to the public domain commission by MCL 322.221. The public domain commission was subsequently abolished and the powers and duties thereof transferred to the department of conservation by MCL 299.2. The department of conservation was subsequently transferred to the department of natural resources by MCL 16.352.

**322.512 Swamp land patents; annual list to county treasurer; assessment and taxation of lands.**

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of such commissioner to furnish to the several county treasurers, in each year, and in time for assessment, a list of all such lands so patented according to the provisions of section 1 of this act; and such lands so patented, shall be subject to assessment and taxation as other assessable and taxable lands. Lists of all lands now subject to be so patented, shall be furnished by said commissioner to the county treasurers, and by the county treasurers to the supervisors of the proper townships, in time for the assessment of the year 1869, so far as the same may be practicable.

**History:** 1869, Act 101, Imd. Eff. Apr. 2, 1869;—CL 1871, 3997;—How. 5448;—CL 1897, 1513;—CL 1915, 735;—CL 1929, 6052;—CL 1948, 322.512.

**322.513 Swamp land patents; alternate description, issuance.**

Sec. 3. Whenever any person shall neglect or refuse to designate to the commissioner the particular descriptions of land to which he or she may claim patents by reason of part performance of his or her contract, it may and shall be lawful for such commissioner to cause to be issued patents for each alternate description of land, as the same appears on the list of lands reserved by such person or persons, and such patents so issued, shall be deemed and held as valid as if the same were particularly ordered by the person entitled thereto.

**History:** 1869, Act 101, Imd. Eff. Apr. 2, 1869;—CL 1871, 3998;—How. 5449;—CL 1897, 1514;—CL 1915, 736;—CL 1929, 6053;—CL 1948, 322.513.