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Assessor of Property

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Please feel free to contact us if you have questions or comments regarding this information or any other CTAS website material.

Sincerely,

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Additional Duties

Private Acts of 1925 Chapter 351

SECTION 1. That in every county in this State having a population of not more than 32,826 and not less than 32,822, according to the Federal Census of 1920, or any subsequent Federal Census, that the salary of the Tax Assessor shall be Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00) per annum, payable quarterly, Seven Hundred and Fifth Dollars ($750.00) per quarter, out of the County Treasury upon a warrant drawn by the Chairman or County Judge of said County for that purpose.

SECTION 2. That the Tax Assessor of said county or counties shall maintain and keep open during business hours an office in the Court House for said county or counties for the transaction of all business relating to his office as Tax Assessor, which shall be in charge of himself or his duly appointed deputy.

SECTION 3. That before any deed or other instrument which conveys or purports to convey the title in fee simple to any real estate shall be recorded [sic] it shall be the duty of the County Tax Assessor to examine the same and ascertain if the property described in said deed or instrument has been and is correctly assessed.

SECTION 4. That it shall be the duty of the County Tax Assessor to countersign every such deed or instrument after having recorded the transfer upon the assessment books of the property conveyed by said deed or instrument to the party or parties in whom the title is shown to be vested by such deed or instrument.

SECTION 5. That it shall be unlawful for any County Register or Deputy County Register to record or enter any deed or instrument coming within the provisions of Section 3, of this Act upon the records of the Register's office or to receive such deed or instrument for the purpose of recording or entering the same upon the records, unless such deed or instrument shall have first been countersigned by the County Tax Assessor or his duly appointed deputy.

SECTION 6. That any County Register or Deputy County Register who shall be convicted of violating the provisions of Section 5, of this Act shall be fined not less than $5.00 nor more than $10.00.

SECTION 7. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act, be, and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

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