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# Assessor of Property

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## Private Acts of 1947 Chapter 576

**SECTION 1.** That the County Register of the County of Bedford, State of Tennessee, shall not record any deed conveying real estate in said County unless same bears the stamp of the Tax Assessor of said County, certifying that said Tax Assessor has copied the names of the vendor and vendee in said deed of conveyance for the purpose of making proper corrections on his roll of assessments.

**SEC. 2.** That it shall be the duty of the Tax Assessor of Bedford County to be present in person, or to have a deputy present, at his office in the Courthouse during office hours. It shall be the further duty of the Tax Assessor to stamp or to cause to be stamped all deeds presented at his office, with a stamp showing that he has copied the name of the vendor and vendee in said deed of conveyance for the purpose of making proper corrections on his roll of assessments. It shall be the duty of the Tax Assessor to correct his tax rolls in all such cases so that the tax rolls of Bedford County will be kept up to date and will show the correct owners of real estate to the end that property may be assessed in the name of the true owners thereof. Failure of the Tax Assessor of Bedford County to comply with the provisions of this Act shall constitute misconduct in office and subject him to removal from office under Sections 1877 et seq. of the Code of Tennessee.

**SEC. 3.** That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: February 28, 1947.

## Private Acts of 1947 Chapter 724

**COMPILER'S NOTE:** The provisions of this act dealing with the minimum compensation of the assessor and the assessor's deputies may have been superseded by general law. See Tennessee Code Annotated §67-1-508.

**SECTION 1.** That the compensation of the Tax Assessor in all Counties of the State of Tennessee having a population of not less than 23,141 nor more than 23,161 according to the Federal Census of 1940 or any subsequent Federal Census be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum of Thirty-six Hundred (\$3,600.00) Dollars per annum, payable in equal monthly installments out of the General Fund of said County. Provided, however, that from and after the first day of September, 1968, the compensation of said tax assessor shall be Seven Thousand (\$7,000.00) per annum, payable in equal monthly installments out of the general fund of said county.

As amended by: Private Acts of 1965, Chapter 276

**SEC. 2.** That the said Tax Assessor is hereby authorized to receive an additional sum, in such amount as the Quarterly County Court may by resolution specify, as reimbursement for the expenses incurred by said Tax Assessor in the conduct of his office. And the said Quarterly County Court may require such report or records of the said Tax Assessor to substantiate his claim for expenses as to said court seems proper. Provided, however, that for the years 1965, 1966, 1967, and until September 1, 1968, the Tax Assessor shall be paid Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$850.00) each quarter as reimbursement for his expense, to be paid on or before the 20th day following the preceding quarter, the first payment to be due April 20, 1965. Said quarterly reimbursement for expenses will be paid out of the general fund of said county and no claim nor substantiation thereof shall be required of said Tax Assessor.

As amended by: Private Acts of 1965, Chapter 276

**SEC. 3.** That said Tax Assessor must possess a general knowledge of the value of farm equipment, office equipment, manufacturing equipment and machinery, live stock, household furnishings, and transportation equipment.

**SEC. 4.** That said Tax Assessor must have the equivalent of a high school education, some practical experience in the buying and selling of real estate in said County, must be able to distinguish between the values of farm land, timber land, commercial property, industrial property, potential subdivision property, as well as complete and full knowledge of the cost of improvements located thereon and the replacement cost of said improvements.

**SEC. 5.** That the Tax Assessor must have been a resident and citizen of said County at least five years prior to his election to that office and must be a freeholder or householder.

**SEC. 6.** That the office of Tax Assessor shall be kept open to the public during the same office hours as other County offices except Sundays and holidays. Said office space shall be provided for by the Quarterly County Court of said County.

**SEC. 7.** That said Tax Assessor is hereby authorized to employ a secretary or stenographer and the person so employed shall be designated as Deputy Tax Assessor and shall take the same oath of office as prescribed for the Tax Assessor and shall receive as compensation a salary not to exceed Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) per year to be paid in equal monthly installments from the General Fund of said County.

As amended by:                                 Private Acts of 1967-68, Chapter 81  
  Private Acts of 1970, Chapter 263  
  Private Acts of 1975, Chapter 17

**SEC. 8.** That this Act shall take effect from and after September 1, 1948, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 12, 1947.

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