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The following is a listing of acts which once had some effect upon the county road system in Pickett County, but which are no longer operative. Also referenced below is an act which repealed prior law without providing new substantive provisions.

1. Private Acts of 1929, Chapter 804, was the first private act setting out a road law for Pickett County. This act established a County Highway Commission of three members to be elected by the Quarterly County Court for six year terms, and this commission was authorized to employ a Superintendent of County Roads.
2. Private Acts of 1941, Chapter 295, provided for a County Board of Public Highways to consist of five members, one from each of the county's civil districts, elected by the voters in their home districts. This board was also authorized to employ a Supervisor of Public Roads. This act was amended by Private Acts of 1943, Chapter 367, to decrease the salary of the Supervisor of Public Roads and to provide for the employment of a Purchasing Agent for the county road department. These acts were repealed by Private Acts of 1957, Chapter 104.

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