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Recordation of Deeds

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Private Acts of 1961 Chapter 260

SECTION 1. That from and after the effective date of this Act, all deeds, deeds of trust, subdivision plats, tract maps and all other instruments vesting or divesting title to or in any real estate situated in Obion County, Tennessee, shall be noted in the office of the County Tax Assessor of Obion County prior to the time and before any of such instruments shall be filed for record in the office of the County Register of Obion County.

The Tax Assessor or his Deputy shall receive each of such instruments for notation, and shall make a permanent record of the same in his office, showing the date of the instrument, the consideration of the transfer, the name of the grantor, the name of the grantee, the location of the property, including the Civil District in which said property is situated, and a sufficient description of the property so that the same can be readily identified.

SECTION 2. That when any of such instruments have been noted by the Tax Assessor or his Deputy, he shall stamp on each such instrument an endorsement indicating that the instrument has been properly noted in his office and that the notation fee has been paid.

SECTION 3. That the County Tax Assessor of Obion County is hereby authorized and directed to collect a fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) for the notation in his office of each of such instruments hereinabove set forth, and all of such fees collected by the County Tax Assessor shall be paid over at the end of each month to the office of the County Judge of said County, together with a written report showing the person from whom each such fee was collected. Said funds collected and received shall be paid into the general fund of said County.

All of the necessary expenses incident to the carrying out of the provisions of this Act shall be paid out of the general fund of said County.

SECTION 4. That none of the instruments herein provided for shall be received for record or recorded in the office of the County Register until each such instrument has first been noted and stamped by the County Tax Assessor. None of the instruments herein provided for shall be received for notation or noted in the office of the County Tax Assessor unless such instrument contains a reference therein indicating the recording data of the instrument by which the grantor acquired title to the property sought to be conveyed.

Any Tax Assessor or Deputy Tax Assessor, and any County Register or Deputy County Register, who willfully or negligently fails to comply with the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECTION 5. That the County Tax Assessor of Obion County is hereby authorized and empowered to employ a Deputy Tax Assessor who shall devote his full time to the duties of the office, and whose compensation shall be fixed by the Quarterly County Court of Obion County to be paid from the general funds of the County, in equal monthly installments.

SECTION 6. That the provisions of this Act are hereby declared to be severable; and if any of its sections, provisions, sentences, clauses, phrases or parts be held unconstitutional or void, the remainder of this Act shall continue in full force and effect, it being the legislative intent, now hereby declared, that this Act would have been passed even if such unconstitutional or void matter had not been included therein.

SECTION 7. That this Act shall have no effect unless the same shall be submitted to the Quarterly County Court of Obion County and approved by a two-thirds vote of said Quarterly County Court. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of said Quarterly County Court and shall be certified by him to the Secretary of State.

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

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