

## CHAPTER 183.

## TOWNSHIPS—GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN COUNTIES ABOLISHED.

House Bill No. 165.

AN ACT abolishing the board of directors of a township, and the offices of trustee, treasurer and clerk, and conferring the powers of and the duties thereof upon the board of commissioners and county treasurer, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith.

*Be It Enacted By the People of the State of Oklahoma:*

County commissioners successors of township officers.

Section 1. The board of county commissioners of all counties in the State of Oklahoma having a population, according to the last federal census, of not less than twenty-six thousand and five hundred, and not more than twenty-six thousand and nine hundred, the board of county commissioners shall perform all duties that are now performed by the various townships boards in such counties, to wit:

The trustee, the clerk and the treasurer, and the officers of township trustee, township clerk and township treasurer are hereby abolished, and the duties now imposed upon said board shall be hereafter performed by the board of county commissioners of said counties of the State of Oklahoma.

County treasurer successor of township treasurer.

Section 2. Wherever the word "township treasurer" now appears in the statutes, the word "county treasurer" shall be substituted therefor.

Claims against townships—disposition.

Section 3. The county commissioners shall audit all claims that are outstanding at the time this act takes effect against any and all townships in this state as they audit claims against the county as a body corporate, and the same shall be paid as other claims

against the county, out of the revenue that is derived from the township levies against which such claims are audited.

Same—payment by county treasurer.

Section 4. The county treasurer shall pay, out of any fund or funds of such township, all the claims so audited by the county commissioners of such county.

County commissioners' succession to township duties.

Section 5. In all counties in which township government shall be abolished as provided in this act, it shall be the duty of the county commissioners to perform the duties now performed by township boards as hereinafter provided.

Same—road overseers.

Section 6. The county commissioners in each county in which township government has been abolished as aforesaid, shall appoint one or more road overseers in each municipal township in such county, who shall, before entering upon the discharge of his duties execute to the State of Oklahoma a bond in the sum of five hundred dollars, to be approved by the county commissioners, and whose duty it shall be to superintend the road work in such township, and whose time and compensation shall be fixed by said county commissioners, not to exceed two dollars per day.

Change in government—transfer of township property.

Section 7. In all counties in which township government is abolished as provided in this act, the township boards shall within thirty days thereafter turn over to the county commissioners of such county all moneys and property belonging to their respective townships.

Repeal.

Section 8. All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved May 13, 1913.

## CHAPTER 203.

## TOWNSHIPS—GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN COUNTIES ABOLISHED

House Bill No. 159.

AN ACT abolishing the board of directors of a township, and the offices of trustee, treasurer and clerk, and conferring the powers and duties thereof upon the board of county commissioners and county treasurer, and repealing all laws in conflict therewith.

*Be It Enacted By the People of the State of Oklahoma:*

County commissioners successors to township boards.

Section 1. The board of county commissioners of all counties in the State of Oklahoma having a population, according to the last federal census, of not less than forty-five thousand, and not more than fifty thousand, the board of county commissioners shall perform all the duties that are now performed by the various township boards in such counties, to wit:

The trustees, the clerk, and the treasurer, and the offices of township trustee, township clerk and township treasurer are hereby abolished, and the duties now imposed upon said board shall be hereafter performed by the board of county commissioners of said counties of the State of Oklahoma.

County treasurer to succeed township treasurer.

Section 2. Wherever the word "township treasurer" now appears in the statutes, the word "county treasurer" shall be substituted therefor.

Auditing and payment of township claims.

Section 3. The county commissioners shall audit all claims that are outstanding at the time this act takes effect against any and all townships in this state as they audit claims against the county as a body corporate, and the same shall be paid as other claims against the county, out of the revenue that is derived from the township levies against which such claims are audited.

Same—payment by county treasurer.

Section 4. The county treasurer shall pay, out of any fund or funds of such township, all the claims so audited by the county commissioners of such county.

Commissioners' duties in township affairs.

Section 5. In all counties in which township government shall be abolished as provided in this act, it shall be the duty of the county commissioners to perform the duties now performed by township boards as hereinafter provided.

Same—appointment of road overseers.

Section 6. The county commissioners in each county in which township government has been abolished as aforesaid shall appoint one or more road overseers in each municipal township in such county, who shall, before entering upon the discharge of his duties execute to the State of Oklahoma a bond in the sum of \$500.00, to be approved by the county commissioners, and whose duty it shall be to superintend the road work in such township and whose time and compensation shall be fixed by said county commissioners, not to exceed \$2.00 per day.

Township property turned over to county.

Section 7. In all counties in which township government is abolished as provided in this act, the township boards shall within twenty days thereafter turn over to the county commissioners of such county all moneys and property belonging to their respective townships.

Repeal.

Section 8. All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved May 16, 1913.