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No. 71.

AN ACT to Create the Office of Master for Lee County.

Section 1. Office of Master Created in Lee County.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, That the office of Master be, and hereby is, created for the county of Lee, and the Master shall be appointed by the Governor, upon the recommendation of the delegation in the General Assembly from said county, and his term of office, powers, duties, compensation and fees shall be the same as are now provided by law for Masters generally.

Bend.—That said Master, before entering upon the duties of said office, shall give bond in the sum of five thousand dollars, conditioned as other bonds of county officers.

§ 3. Effective Immediately.—That this Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved the 18th day of February, A. D. 1913.

No. 72.

AN ACT Requiring the Publication of Certain Reports by the County Supervisor of Darlington County.

Section 1. Certain Reports in Darlington County to Be Published by the Supervisor.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, The County Supervisor of Darlington during the first week of each month, a full state of the claims audited by the Board of County Commission during the month next preceding said publication. The said shall show, as published, the file number of the claim, the mount claimed, the amount allowed, the nature of claim or services sendered and the name of the claimant.

Other Reports to Be Published.—The supervisor of Darticed in Darington county a verified statement showing the balance
the county brought from the month before, the amount
that the county during the month and the amount paid
the statement show what balance is to be car-

\$ 2. Price of Publications.—That the contract price for such publications what not exceed the sum of seven dollars per month.

In the event the County Supervisor is not able to contract for the publication of said reports in a newspaper published in Darlington county, for said sum, the Supervisor is authorized and directed to post in five public and conspicuous places in Darlington county said reports.

Approved the 18th day of February, A. D. 1913.

No. 73.

AN ACT Relating to Circuit Courts in Dorchester County.

Section 1. Circuit Courts in Dorchester County.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, That the Court of Common Pleas for Dorchester county shall be held at St. George on the Tuesday after the first Monday in April, on the second Monday in July and on the Tuesday after the third Monday in October. That the Court of General Sessions for the county of Dorchester shall be held at St. George on the first Monday in April and on the third Monday in October. That juries shall be provided for all of the said terms of Court.

§ 2. That all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Approved the 18th day of February, A. D. 1913.

No. 74.

AN ACT to Provide for the Transfer and Annexation of a Portion of Fairfield County to Richland County, and to Alter the County Lines of Said Counties to Conform Thereto.

Whereas, At an election duly ordered and held in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and laws of this State, on the question whether the county lines of Fairfield county and Richland county should be so altered so as to transfer and annex to Richland county a certain portion of Fairfield county, more than two-thirds of the vote cast in said election were in favor of such transfer and annexation; and.

Whereas, All of the conditions required by the Constitution and laws of this State were and have been complied with:

Section 1. Portion of Fairfield County to Be Transferred to Richland.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State

of South Carolina, That the county lines of Fairfield county and of Richland county be, and the same are hereby, so altered as to cut off from said Fairfield county and to transfer and annex to and incorporate within said Richland county all of that certain territory or portion of Fairfield county embraced within the following lines and boundaries, to wit: Beginning at the point where the Richland-Fairfield county line crosses the median line of Cedar Creek; thence the Richland county line, S. 85° 15' E. 71,350 feet, to a point on the Richland-Kershaw-Fairfield county line; thence the Richland-Kershaw-Fairfield county line, N. 22° 30' E. 29,650 feet to a stake; thence S. 82° 20' W. 41,338 feet to a stake on the Ridgeway-Blythewood road; thence S. 72° 10' W. 23,800 feet to a pine marked "X3n" on the bank of Simmons Fork of Cedar Creek; thence down the median line of Simmons Creek with its various courses and distances to Cedar Creek; thence down the median line of Cedar Creek with its various courses and distances to the point of beginning, and containing 47.07 square miles.

§ 2. Upper Township.—That the said territory transferred and annexed to Richland county under this Act shall be annexed to and included in that township of Richland county known as Upper township, and is hereby declared to be a part of that body corporate, with such powers, duties, liabilities and incidents as now or may hereafter be provided by law for said Upper township.

§ 3. Taxes to Be Adjusted Between Counties.—That the County Auditor of Fairfield county shall segregate from the tax returns of 1913 the returns of all taxable property and polls located in that portion of Fairfield county annexed under this Act to Richland county, and he shall also prepare copies of the returns of 1912 of all taxpayers in said territory whose names appear on the tax duplicates of Fairfield county for 1912, and who have failed or neglected to make returns for 1913, and that the same shall be turned over by the Auditor of Fairfield county to the Auditor of Richland county on or before April 1, 1913; and upon satisfactory performance of the foregoing duties, and all other necessary duties to carry this Act into effect, the Auditor of Fairfield county shall be paid the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars by the county of Richland. That upon the appointment of the Board of Assessors for Upper township, in Richland county, by the Governor, one member Richland county by the Governor, one to Richland county herewith annexed to Richland county, who shall hold office for the same term and shall be appointed and have the be appointed and have the same duties and compensation as now provided by law for the Township Assessors of Richland county. If it be necessary for the proper adjustment of matters within the jurisdiction of the Township Assessors, the chairman of the Township Board of Upper township, in Richland county, or any member thereof designated by him, may go to the county seat of Fairfield county for official information, and may make further investigation and inquiry as provided in this Act and as may be necessary, under the direction of the County Auditor for Richland county; and he shall be allowed three dollars per day and necessary expenses, for not exceeding five days, for such additional services. In case it shall be necessary for the proper adjustment of the tax valuations or other matters between the two counties for the County Auditor of Richland county to go to the county seat of Fairfield county, or to the territory annexed to Richland county under this Act, he shall be allowed compensation therefor not exceeding ten days at the rate of three dollars per day and his necessary expenses. The expenses authorized and incurred under this Act shall be paid by the Supervisor for Richland county in like manner as other lawful claims against Richland county are paid. The County Auditor of Fairfield county shall furnish to the County Auditor of Richland county any information regarding any bonded indebtedness outstanding against any school district included in the territory annexed to Richland county under this Act, that is to be had, and all possible information regarding the formation and lines of the school districts of such section, and any other information or abstracts required of him by the Auditor of Richland county.

§ 4. School Fund to Be Divided.—That it shall be the duty of the County Superintendent of Education of Fairfield county to forthwith furnish to the County Superintendent of Education of Richland county a statement of amounts of disbursements and balances on hand for each of the school districts or portions thereof in the territory annexed to Richland county under this Act, together with such further information as may be necessary for the proper continuation of the public schools located in such territory; and the County Superintendent of Education of Fairfield county shall apportion and distribute to the various school districts or portions thereof in said territory their lawful share of all school funds collected, or to be collected, from the taxes of the year 1912, and from any State funds, to which they may now or hereafter be entitled to under the law, and as soon as possible he shall furnish a duplicate statement thereof to the County Superintendent of Education of Richland county. In case

it shall be necessary for the County Superintendent of Education of Richland county to visit the county seat of Fairfield county, for the purpose of adjusting any matter or matters referred to in this section or pertaining to his duties towards the public schools, he shall be allowed compensation therefor, for not exceeding five days, at the rate of three dollars per day and his necessary expenses. The Superintendent of Education of Fairfield county shall be paid the sum of fifty dollars by Richland county upon satisfactory compliance with the provisions of this section.

- § 5. Funds to Be Adjusted Between Treasurers.—The County Treasurer of Fairfield county shall pay over to the County Treasurer of Richland county any school funds or bonded debt funds now or hereafter in his hands belonging to any school district, or portion thereof, embraced in the territory transferred from Fairfield county and annexed to Richland county under this Act, together with any special road fund or funds belonging to any road or roads, or portions thereof, in said territory, together with such commutation tax or taxes as may have been heretofore or may hereafter be collected from citizens of said territory, and have not heretofore been expended upon the public roads in said territory, and he shall furnish the County Treasurer of Richland county a list of such commutation taxpayers; and the receipt of the County Treasurer of Richland county shall be his legal discharge for the custody of said funds. It shall be the duty of the County Treasurer of Richland county to hold and disburse any funds turned over to him under this section, as now provided by law.
- § 6. Civil Actions Pending.—Where the defendants in any civil action now pending in the county of Fairfield reside in the territory annexed to Richland under this Act, or where such actions would and all indictments now pending in Fairfield county, where the they shall be transferred to the county of Richland for trial, together belonging thereto, and for each civil case transferred under the proreceive a fee of fifty cents.
- § 7. Indebtedness to Be Adjusted.—The County Auditor of Fairfield county and the County Auditor of Richland county. ernor, who shall not be a resident of either county, and who shall

receive compensation of five dollars per day for not exceeding six days and necessary expenses, are hereby authorized and directed to ascertain and determine the proper proportion of the present indebtedness of Fairfield county, if any, of the section transferred under this Act, to be assumed by Richland county; and they shall report the same to the Governor prior to the next session of the General Assembly.

§ 8. That this Act shall go into effect immediately upon its

approval by the Governor.

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This Act was presented to the Governor the 19th day of February, A. D. 1913, and was not returned by him to the House in which it originated within three days, the General Assembly being in session.

—Code Commissioner.

No. 75.

AN ACT to Provide for the Election of Subsupervisors in Abbeville County.

- Section 1. Subsupervisors for Abbeville County.—Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, That at the regular election, in 1916, there shall be elected at the general election in Abbeville county, by the qualified electors of said county, two men, who shall be known as Subsupervisors of Abbeville county, who shall hold their office for the term of four years, and until their successors are elected and qualified.
- § 2. Salary.—That the said Subsupervisors shall each receive a salary of one hundred dollars per year, payable quarterly, as the salaries of other county officers are paid.
- § 3. —Duties.—That the said Subsupervisors shall assist the County Supervisor in the management of the affairs of said county, and a majority of the board shall approve all claims against the county before the same can be paid.
- § 4. Governor Cannot Appoint.—That so much of the law as provides for the appointment of these officers by the Governor, be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

Approved the 19th day of February, A. D. 1913.