

hereby authorized and required to appoint three commissioners for each election district in Somerset county, whose duty it shall be, or a majority of them, to assemble in the respective election districts of said county, at such place as they may think proper to appoint, at as early day as may be practicable, and then and there proceed to divide the said election districts into a suitable and convenient number of school districts, having reference to creeks and roads for boundaries; and said district commissioners shall number the said school districts with the number of each affixed, and deliver their report in writing to the clerk of the county commissioners, whose duty it shall be to lay the same before said county commissioners at their first meeting thereafter.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said commissioners of Somerset county shall proceed to appoint, for each school district in the county, three trustees to whom authority is hereby given, to procure and erect by individual subscription or otherwise, a suitable school-house, conveniently located in each school district, and it shall be the duty of the said trustees, so soon as they have obtained such school-house, to inform the county commissioners of Somerset county of the fact in writing: it shall then be the duty of the said commissioners to appropriate such sum or sums of money out of the funds which may be in their hands for the purposes of common school education in Somerset county, and shall give an order upon the treasurer herein after to be appointed to pay the same, as in their judgment may be necessary and proper for tuition only, to each school district in said county, said district being first provided with a suitable school-house; it shall also be the duty of said county commissioners to appoint one of the trustees of each school district to whom or to whose order shall be paid, by the treasurer of the school fund of Somerset county, all or any portion of the moneys that may be appropriated by the said commissioners to said schools respectively; and it shall be the duty of the trustees of each school district to procure and make choice of some competent person as teacher of said schools, having due regard to the moral character and capacity to instruct, of said teacher; and they shall pay the said teacher so much per quarter, by the year or half year, as they may be enabled to do from the amount of money which may be allowed to their school or schools by the said county commissioners, together with such sum or sums of money as the said trustees may be enabled to procure by individual subscription for the maintenance and support of education in said school districts respectively; that every child in the district shall be admitted into the school upon a perfect equality, and the education of no one to be paid for or considered as poor scholars.

Divide into school districts.

Number them.

Report in writing.

School trustees.

To erect school-house. Report the fact.

Whereupon distribution directed.

For tuition only.

One to receive moneys, &c.

Teacher.

Payment to.

Besides individual subs. Equality.