

within the said election district where such commissioner so dying, resigning, refusing, neglecting to qualify, or removing from the county as aforesaid, was elected, shall vote in like manner as at first provided by this act, for another person with like qualifications, to serve for the residue of his term.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That every commissioner elected or appointed as aforesaid, shall, before he enters upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe before some judge or justice of the peace of his county, an oath, or affirmation, as the case may be, that he will faithfully, diligently and impartially, exercise the powers and perform the duties of a commissioner, as authorized and enjoined by law, according to the best of his skill and judgment, without being influenced by favour, affection, hatred, malice, or ill-will, and that he will, in making all appointments to office, vote for such persons among those willing to accept, as in his judgment and belief shall be the most capable and best qualified to perform the duties of such office, which oath shall be recorded in a book to be kept for that purpose among the records of the county court.

To take an oath.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the commissioners elected or appointed as aforesaid, and their successors, shall be, and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name, and style, and title of The Commissioners for Talbot County, and by that name shall have continual and perpetual succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, of making and using a corporate seal, and of altering the same, of taking, holding, selling and conveying, all kinds of estates, property and effects, and of doing all such acts as shall be necessary to the exercise of all powers which are or shall be vested in them by this act, or by any other act of assembly, as fully and effectually as corporate bodies may or can lawfully and rightfully do.

Incorporated.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That when and as soon as the commissioners to be elected or appointed as aforesaid, are organized, shall have taken and subscribed the oath, or affirmation, herein before prescribed, all the powers, rights and privileges, lawfully exercised by the levy court, shall be transferred to and vested in the commissioners; a majority of the commissioners, when so organized, shall be competent to exercise all the powers, rights and privileges, and shall perform all the duties required to be performed by the levy court; and no appointment of justices of the levy court shall thereafter be made for Talbot county; and all powers vested in the justices of the levy court, and vested in the commissioners of the tax respectively, and all the powers lawfully exercised by, or vested in the commissioners of the tax respectively, and all the duties by law to be performed by them, shall be vested in, and

Power of levy court transferred to commissioners.