

1929, ch. 316, sec. 179EEE.

356. Said Justices appointed for the respective consolidated districts hereinbefore enumerated, shall maintain an office for the transaction of business within the confines of and centrally located, in the largest incorporated town or village within the districts for which they or either of them are appointed.*

1902, ch. 197, sec. 179A. 1904, ch. 249, sec. 179A. 1906, ch. 27, sec. 179A.

357. It shall be the duty of each Justice of the Peace appointed under this Act, in order to avoid the unnecessary multiplication of costs against the county, or offenders in criminal cases when a complaint discloses more than one misdemeanor to have been committed by the person or persons complained against, to consolidate on form in the warrant to be issued as many distinct charges against said person or persons as there may be misdemeanors complained of, provided the Justices of the Peace shall deem it consistent with justice to do so; and upon the application of the defendant or defendants, if the Justice shall deem it necessary, he shall grant a severance of the charges, and a separate trial to each, but no additional warrant shall be required therefor.

1902, ch. 197, sec. 179B. 1904, ch. 249, sec. 179B. 1906, ch. 27, sec. 179B.

358. It shall be the duty of the said Justices of the Peace once every month to make out a statement of the fees owing by the County Commissioners to any constable for legal services performed by such constable or constables in prosecution of offenders before said Justices during the preceding month which have not been paid them by the parties convicted, as required by law, and to state what fines and costs such constable stands chargeable with, but no constable shall be entitled to appropriate any such fines or costs—to wit, costs formerly payable as fees to the Justice of the Peace by offenders but by this Act required to be paid over to the county instead of the Justice—to the payment of any account he may hold against said county, or to any other purpose whatsoever; and the bond of such constable shall be liable for all such fines and costs so chargeable against him.

P. L. L. (1888), Art. 1, sec. 180: 1860, Art. 1, sec. 97. 1904, ch. 121. 1906, ch. 578.

359. It shall not be lawful for any resident of Allegany County to be sued before any justice of the peace of said county out of the election district in which he resides, unless the contract or cause of action originated in the district wherein suit is brought, and it shall not be lawful for any magistrate to issue a warrant against any resident of said county authorizing his arrest or to try any such offender after his arrest, unless the alleged

*Sec. 3 of ch. 316, 1929, reads as follows: The object, purpose and intention of this Act is to reduce the number of Justices to four only, one for each of the consolidated districts hereinbefore enumerated; and all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act in so far as they relate to Justices of the Peace in said election districts hereinbefore enumerated are hereby repealed.