

clare at any time hereafter that there is need for a housing authority to function in such county, which declaration shall be made by said Board of County Commissioners in the same manner and subject to the same conditions (except for approval by the Mayor) as the declaration of the governing body of a city, required by Section 4 hereof for the purpose of authorizing a housing authority of a city to transact business and exercise its powers. The housing authorities of the Counties shall, within their area of operation as hereinafter defined, have all the functions, rights, powers, duties and liabilities provided in this Act for housing authorities in Cities, and the provisions of this Act shall, within the area of operation of such housing authorities of the counties, apply to the housing authorities of the counties in the same manner and to the same extent as this Act applies to housing authorities created in cities; provided that as to housing authorities of the counties, the Board of Commissioners of the county for which any such authority is created, is hereby authorized to perform the acts herein required or permitted by this Act to be performed by the governing body of the city, the Mayor or said governing body and the Mayor, for the housing authority of the city. The area of operation of a housing authority of a County shall include all of the county except that portion thereof which lies within the territorial boundaries of any city for which a housing authority may be created under this Act, unless the governing body of any such city shall by proper resolution consent to its inclusion in the area of operation of such county authority. With respect to the provisions of other sections of this Act and their application to housing authorities of counties, the term "city" shall be construed as referring to a county unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That notwithstanding any other evidence of the legislative intent, it is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that if any provision of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances, is held invalid, the remainder of the Act and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all Acts or parts of Acts of any Public General or Public Local Laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1937.

Approved May 28, 1937.