

CHAP. 87.

Vacancy

signation, refusal to act, or removal out of the county of either of the commissioners appointed as aforesaid, the Governor shall supply the vacancy occasioned by such death, resignation, refusal or removal, as the case may be.

Oath of office

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That every commissioner appointed as aforesaid, shall, before he enters on the duties as aforesaid, take and subscribe, before some judge or justice of the peace, an oath or affirmation, that he will faithfully, diligently and impartially exercise the powers and perform the duties of commissioner for Somerset county, as authorized and enjoined by law, according to the best of his skill and judgment, without being influenced by favor, 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 most capable and best qualified to perform the duties of such office; which oath shall be recorded in a book to be kept among the records of Somerset county court.

Corporate powers given

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the commissioners appointed as aforesaid and their successors, shall be and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of "the Commissioners for Somerset 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 estate, property and effects, and of doing all such acts as shall be necessary to the exercise of all the 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.

Levy court to cease

Their powers and duties to the commissioners

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted* That when and as soon as the commissioners to be appointed as aforesaid shall have taken and subscribed the oath or affirmation hereinbefore described, all the powers, rights and privileges lawfully exercised by, and all property, estates and effects vested in the justices of the levy court of Somerset county, shall be transferred to and vested in the commissioners of Somerset county, who, or any