

The County Commissioners shall appoint a county roads engineer and an assistant county roads engineer for the county. The County Commissioners shall have the power to appoint any other assistants to the county roads engineer as they may deem necessary.]

[13-22.

The county roads engineer shall not be liable to removal from office for any other reasons than incompetency, wilful neglect of duty or other cause which may impair his usefulness. He shall not be removed, however, except after written charges have been preferred against him and an opportunity to be heard in his defense has been afforded him. Hearings in regard to his removal from office shall be public and there shall be no appeal from the decision of the county commissioners.]

[13-23.

The county engineer shall be a qualified engineer with four years of college education, a degree in civil engineering, be licensed as a professional engineer, and at least three years successful experience in road construction and design. The assistant county engineer shall be a qualified engineer with a degree in civil engineering from an accredited engineering school or have ten years of supervisory experience in heavy construction.]

[13-24.

The county commissioners shall fix the salaries of the roads engineer, the assistant roads engineer and any other assistants. In no case shall the salary of the roads engineer be less than seven thousand five hundred dollars. In no case shall the salary of the assistant roads engineer be less than six thousand dollars. In addition to the salary provided, the county roads engineer shall receive either an allowance for automobile expenses not to exceed six hundred dollars per year to be determined and approved by the county commissioners, or the use of an automobile to be furnished and maintained by the county commissioners, whichever the commissioners shall decide.]

[13-25.

The county roads engineer shall have authority to make such repairs as are necessary to remedy any serious defect in the existing road system at any time, but the engineer shall have the approval of the county commissioners before making any new construction of county roads.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

Approved April 10, 1979.