

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the appointment of Registers of Wills, and clerks of the several county courts of this state be limited to a term of seven years

And be it enacted, That Registers of Wills, and the clerks of the county courts in this state shall be liable to removal during their said term of seven years only for misbehaviour or conviction in a court of law.

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Hunt moved to amend said bill by adding at the end thereof the following proviso; "Provided that nothing contained in this act shall be taken or construed to affect the present incumbents in office."

Mr. Ely moved to amend the amendment, by adding at the end thereof, these words, "until the expiration of seven years."

Determined in the negative.

Mr. Bell moved to amend the amendment by adding at the end thereof the following, "until the expiration of five years."

Determined in the negative.

The question then recurred and was put, on the amendment as proposed by Mr. Hunt.

Determined in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Brookhart, the yeas and nays were ordered, and appeared as follows.

AFFIRMATIVE.

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| Messrs. Thomas, Speaker | Gantt |
| Heard | Wootton |
| Welsh | Handy |
| Rasin | Powell |
| Pearce | Hunt |
| Rogerson | Laurenson |
| Dudley | Harding |
| Bruff | Wilson, of Mon't |
| Cottman | Gittings |
| Winder | White |
| Travers | Swan |
| Wright | Armstrong—25 |
| Nicols | |

NEGATIVE.

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| Messrs. Sothoron | Williamson |
| Stewart | Thomas, of Q. A. |
| Hood | Roberts |
| Kent | Brown, of Q. A. |
| Stockett | Purnell |