

Convicts discharged from Penitentiary allowed transportation.

be discharged from the State Penitentiary, the Warden shall furnish transportation to said convict to any point within this State that is nearest to his former home or friends. Said transportation shall be furnished by means of tickets for passage, an account of which shall be kept by the Warden, and paid by the State. The Warden shall also furnish to said convict a sum of money not less than three nor more than five dollars, as now provided by law.

In force when.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the State Register, and State Leader, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved, April 17th, 1872.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Daily Iowa State Register*, and *Daily State Leader*, April 19, 1872.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*

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CHAPTER LII.

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PROVISION FOR MAKING TOWNSHIPS OF CITIES AND TOWNS.

APRIL 17.

AN ACT Pertaining to the Division of Civil Townships.

Townships having cities or towns to be divided by bd. supervisors, when.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That in any civil township, having within its limits an incorporate city or town of more than four thousand inhabitants, as shown by the last census, State or federal, on the petition of a majority of the qualified electors of such township residing without the corporate limits of such city or town, it shall be the duty of the board of supervisors of the county to divide such township into two civil townships, the one to embrace the territory outside, and the other the territory within, the corporate limits of such city or town.

City or town one township.

Petition, when to be presented.

SEC. 2. Such petition may be presented at any regular meeting of the board of supervisors held in January, April, or June, of that year, and shall be accompanied by the affidavit of three or more credible witnesses that the signatures on the petition are all genuine; that the signers are all legal voters of the township outside of the city or town limits.

Affidavit.

SEC. 3. Thirty days' notice of the presentation of the petition provided for by this act, shall be made by two publications thereof in a weekly newspaper, if there be one printed in the township sought to be divided, the last of which publications shall be at least ten days before the time fixed for the presentation of the petition ; if no paper be printed therein, or if such paper refuse to publish such notice, it shall be given by posting the same in five public places in said township, two of which shall be outside, and three within, the corporate limits of the city or town.

Notice of petition;

publication.

SEC. 4. Upon proof of the publication or posting of such notice, and upon petition certified, as required by this act, being presented, the board of supervisors shall make the division of the township as provided in this act, at the first session at which the petition is presented, and shall order that at the next general election there shall be held in the two townships, at places to be designated by said board, an election for township and such other officers and propositions as may be voted for at such election.

Bd. of supervisors to divide tp.;

and provide for election.

SEC. 5. The division of a civil township shall not, except for election purposes, go into effect until the first Monday of January next ensuing.

Division consummated, when.

SEC. 6. Within ten days after such division shall have been ordered, the trustees and clerk, of the township so divided, shall select, from the townships in which they are to act, three persons to act as trustees, and one person to act as clerk, in preparing the registry lists and in holding the said elections. Such persons so [s]elected shall be sworn to faithfully discharge the duties of their respective offices. In the matters pertaining to elections, the trustees and clerk of the township divided shall, with the persons appointed, constitute the board of registration and of election, of the new township in which they respectively resided at the time such division is ordered.

Provision for officers to make registry and hold election.

Approved, April 17th, 1872.

COUNTY BRIDGES.

AN ACT to Amend Section One, Chapter Six, [i] Acts of the Fourteenth General Assembly, relative to Bridges. APRIL 17.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That section one of chapter six, [i] 1872: ch. 6.