

CHAPTER 11.

JUSTICES AND CONSTABLES.

AN ACT to legalize the acts of justices of the peace and constables, in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **Acts of justices and constables, when bonds given to township trustees, as valid as though given to the boards of commissioners, provided they qualified before township clerk.** That the acts of all justices of the peace and constables who may have given their bonds to the trustees of the several townships, and were qualified before the several township clerks, shall and are hereby declared as legal and valid as if said bonds had been given to the boards of the county commissioners, and as if they had been qualified before the several clerks of the district courts.

SEC. 2. **Time of taking effect.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, 12th February, 1844.

CHAPTER 12.

POOR.

AN ACT amendatory of an act entitled, "An act for the relief of the poor," approved February 16, 1842.

Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **County treasury to pay expenses of poor. County commissioners to audit and allow same.** That all the costs and expenses growing out [19] of any relief or support of the poor under the act to which this is amendatory, shall be paid from the county treasury of the county where such relief was furnished, and not from the township treasuries, as is by said act in some cases provided; and it is hereby made the duty of the county commissioners in each county to audit, allow and pay, all demands arising from such support or relief, as other claims against counties are audited, allowed and paid.

SEC. 2. **Time of taking effect.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, 12th February, 1844.

CHAPTER 13.

DEEDS.

AN ACT to legalize deeds and other instruments of writing.

Be it enacted by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa:

SECTION 1. **Instruments acknowledged before officer out of county where land lies declared valid.** That all deeds, mortgages, and other instruments of writing, heretofore made and executed, conveying or affecting real estate, either in law or equity, acknowledged or proved under an act entitled "An act to regulate conveyances," approved January 4th, 1840, before any justice of the peace or notary public of this territory, residing out of the county