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perative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that this Act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

[NOTE.-H. B. No. 553 passed the House of Representatives March 29, 1913, but no vote given; and passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas ,26, nays 0.]

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REAL COUNTY-CREATION AND APPORTIONMENT OF.

H. B. No. 706.]

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CHAPTER 133.

An Act to create and establish the county of Real out of parts of Edwards, Kerr, and Bandera counties; prescribing its area and boundaries, appointing commissioners to organize said county, and prescribing their duties; providing for a division of said county into commissioners and justices precincts, providing for holding county and precinct elections for the election of county and precinct officers, and the location of the county seat of said county, providing for the attachment of said county to judicial, representative, senatorial and congressional and supreme judicial districts; providing for the assessment and collection of taxes, and for the defraying of expenses of organizing said county, and for the new county to pay its pro rata share of the debt of the counties from which it is taken, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That a new county, to be called the county of Real, is hereby created, containing a superficial area of not less than seven hundred square miles taken from the territory of existing counties of Edwards, Kerr and Bandera.

Beginning at the S. E. corner of Edwards county and the S. W. corner of Bandera county and on the N. line of Uvalde county; thence W. with the N. line of Uvalde county and the S. line of Edwards county, 15 miles to the middle of the channel of Nueces river; thence N. W. in the center of the channel of the Nueces river and with the meanders thereof to the S. W. corner of Felix Taylor survey 241 and S. E. corner of the W. H. Sledge survey 242; thence N. E. with the S. line of the said Felix Taylor survey 1 1-3 miles to the center of the channel of the E. prong of the Nueces river; thence N. in the center of the channel of the E. prong of the Nueces river and with the meanders thereof to the S. line of Section 6, G. W. T. & P. R. R. Co. survey Block 1; thence S. E. with the S. line of said Section 6 to its S. E. corner and the S. W. corner of the survey 7 in same block; thence N. E. with the W. boundary lines of Sections 7, 14, 21, 28, 35, 44, 49, 58 and 63, in said G. W. T. & R. R. Co. survey block 1; nine miles to the N. W. corner of said section 63, and the N. E. corner of Section 62, in same block; thence S. E. with the N. line of said section 63, one mile to the S. W. corner of section 69, and the N. W. corner of section 64, in the same block 1; thence N. E. with the W. line of sections 69, 70, 75 and 76 in the same block 1 four miles to the N. W. corner of said section 76; thence S. E. with the N. lines of sections 76, 77 and 78 of same block 1, three miles to the N. E.

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corner of said section 78; thence S. W. with the E. line of said section 78 to the S. line of section 99 of the H. E. & W. T. Ry. Company survey block "E", and the N. W. corner of G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co. Survey 14, Block 010; thence E. with the N. line of G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co. Survey Block 010, the N. lines of sections 42, to 51, of H. E. & W. T. R. R. Co. survey, Block "D", to a point 475 varas E. of the N. W. corner of said Section 51, certificate 344; thence S. parallel to the W. line of said Section 51, and the extension thereof 11.25 miles to the S. line of Kerr county and the N. line of Bandera county; thence E. along the N. line of Bandera county and the S. line of Kerr county, 51-3 miles; thence S. parallel to the W. line of Bandera county, 18 1-2 miles to the S. line of Bandera county and the N. line of Uvalde county; thence W. with the S. line of Bandera county and the N. line of Uvalde county, 9 1-3 miles to the place of beginning.

SEC. 2. That A. G. Weston, J. H. Freeman, G. A. Dulaney, J. B. O'Bryant, D. D. Thompson and W. P. W. Holmes, are hereby appointed commissioners to organize said county, and before entering upon their duties herein prescribed shall take an oath before some officer qualified in administering oaths, faithfully and carefully to discharge the same.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of said commissioners, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, for the transaction of business, to employ a competent surveyor to run the lines of said new county, make field notes thereof and establish its corners and boundaries and lay off and divide said new county into four convenient precincts for the election of justices of the peace, county commissioners and constables, particularly defining the boundaries of such precincts and also to designate convenient places in said new county for holding elections. Said commissioners shall keep or cause to be kept a record of all their proceedings and shall transmit to the Governor of Texas a true copy thereof and cause the original thereof to be filed as an archive of said county.

SEC. 4. Within ten days after the receipt by the Governor of a copy of the aforesaid record, as provided in the preceding Section, he shall order an election in said county for all county and precinct officers allowed or permitted by law to be elected, and the location of a place for the county seat of said new county, giving at least twenty days' notice of the place and time of election, by printed hand bills posted in one or more public places in each precinct of said new county, and by publication thereof in the newspaper, if there be any published in said new county, and said order shall state the names of the presiding officer for each place designated in such new county for holding elections, shall give the boundaries of the election precincts and name the officers to be elected. The said election shall be conducted and governed by the general laws on the subject of general elections, and the returns of said election shall be made to the commissioners hereinbefore appointed, who shall open the election returns, canvass same and declare the result and shall issue to the candidate or candidates, who have received the greatest number of votes, a certificate of election, stating therein the office to which such candidate have been elected, the number of votes polled for him and the day on which said election was held, and shall sign the same and shall approve the official bonds of the officers elected. Any one of said commissioners is hereby empowered to administer the oath of

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office to the officers elected under this Act, and said officers shall hold office until the next general election for county officers, and until their successors are qualified.

SEC. 5. Until said officers are elected and qualified all the territory in said new county, shall belong, for all purposes to those counties from which the same is taken, and when said new county has been organized fully, as herein provided for, and its officers elected, the same is hereby made a part of the Thirty-eighth Judicial District of the State of Texas, and the said county of Real is hereby attached to the Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, and the One-hundred-fifteenth Representative District and the Sixteenth Congressional District and the Fourth Supreme Judicial District.

SEC. 6. The said new county shall defray all expenses incurred in perfecting its organization, and shall pay its pro rata of the liabilities now existing of the several counties from which its territory is taken, in the manner, proportion and extent as fixed and provided for by the General Laws of the State.

SEC. 7. That the assessors and tax collectors of the counties of Kerr, Edwards and Bandera, out of which Real county is created by this Act. shall assess and collect the State, county and district taxes (if there be any) on all property subject to taxation in their respective counties for the year 1913 and prior years, in the same manner as if no new county had been created by this Act, and that said assessors and tax collectors until said taxes for 1913 and prior years are collected, shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas, as to assessors and collectors generally, for the assessment and collection of State and county taxes. and until said taxes for the year 1913 and prior years, are assessed and collected and paid over by said tax collectors, as herein provided, their powers and duties as herein provided and otherwise prescribed, shall not in any wise be affected by the provisions of this Act. Provided that said tax collectors respectively, of the counties of Kerr, Bandera and Edwards, out of which the said county of Real is formed shall, at the end of each month, make out and sign and swear to triplicate reports of all taxes collected upon property in his county, and by this Act made a part of the said county of Real, and file one of said reports with the treasurer of his county, another with the commissioners court of his county and the other forwarded, with all moneys so received by him during the preceding month, less his commission, to the tax collector of the county of Real, created by this Act, and continue to do so until all of said taxes are collected and remitted, and the tax collector of the county created by this Act shall receive all of said taxes and receipt in writing to the said tax collector therefor, remitting within five days after the receipt of said taxes and all taxes (State and county) so collected shall be subject to the laws of Texas as to State and county taxes and the use thereof.

SEC. 8. That all laws and parts of laws of this State with respect to the creation and organization of new counties in so far as the same are in conflict with the provisions of this Act, shall have no application in the creation, establishment and organization of the county herein provided for.

SEC. 9. The great inconvenience to which the people are subjected,

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living in the territory from which said new county is created, by being compelled to travel extraordinary distances to attend to their private and public business at the county seats of the respective counties in which they now reside, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House, should be and the same is hereby suspended and that this Act take effect from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

[NOTE.-H. B. No. 706 passed the House of Representatives by a two-thirds vote, yeas 95, nays 0, and House concurred in Senate amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 111, nays 0; and passed the Senate with amendments by a two-thirds vote, yeas 29, nays 0.]

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CORPORATIONS—AUTHORIZES ICE COMPANIES TO BUY, SELL AND REFRIGERATE POULTRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS, ETC.

H. B. No. 664.]

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CHAPTER 134.

An Act authorizing ice companies to buy, sell and refrigerate poultry and poultry products and buy, sell, can and refrigerate fruits, produce, fresh meats and dairy products, and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That corporations organized or chartered under the laws of this State for the manufacture of ice, in addition to the privileges and power now extended to such corporations, shall be authorized to engage in and transact the business of buying, selling and refrigerating poultry and poultry products, and buying, selling, canning and refrigerating fruits, produce and dairy products.

SEC. 2. The importance of this measure and the near approach of the close of this session, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

[NOTE.-H. B. No. 664 passed the House of Representatives March 29, 1913, but no vote given, and House concurred in Senate amendments March 31, 1913, but no vote given; and passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote, yeas 31, nays 0.]

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