

**AN ACT to provide for the election of Clerks of the Circuit Courts of this state.**

**The People of the State of Wisconsin represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** There shall be elected in each county and the several counties attached for judicial purposes, a clerk of the circuit court who shall enter into like bonds, and who shall perform the like duties as have been heretofore required by law to be performed by the clerks of the district court of the territory of Wisconsin: Before entering upon the duties of his office he shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation faithfully to perform the duties of the office of clerk of the circuit court for the proper county and to support the constitution of the United States and of the state of Wisconsin.

**SEC. 2.** The election of clerks of the circuit court of the several counties aforesaid shall be held at the same time as the general election for state and county officers: The returns shall be made to the clerk of the board of supervisors or county commissioners of the proper county who shall canvass the same, and the person having the highest number of votes shall be declared duly elected, and the clerk of the board of supervisors or county commissioners shall make out and deliver to the person so elected a certificate of his election, and the term of service of the clerks to be elected under the provisions of this act shall commence on the first day of January next after their election and continue for two years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

**N. E. WHITESIDE,**  
Speaker of the Assembly.  
**JOHN E. HOLMES,**

Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

Approved August 17, 1848.

**NELSON DEWEY.**