

from and after the expiration of the term of the present county auditors.

Approved March 8, 1899.

COUNTY BOUNDARIES.

CHAPTER 57.

[H. B. 175.]

TO SETTLE DISPUTES.

AN ACT to Settle Disputes as to County Boundaries and to Confirm the Acts of Officials in Counties that Have Exercised Jurisdiction Over Territory not Clearly Within County Boundaries.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. JURISDICTION OF OFFICIALS.] That all territory within the State of North Dakota over which any county has exercised jurisdiction in civil and criminal matters and which has for all intents and purposes been treated as a portion of such county for not less than two years last past, shall be and the same is hereby declared a part of such county, and all of the official acts and doings of all state, county, township, school, district or other officials within such county in the exercise of such jurisdiction are hereby ratified in so far as to give such acts the same validity as they would have had if such territory had been a part of such county when such acts were performed.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval for the reason that an emergency exists for settling the jurisdiction of counties over disputed territories within the state.

Approved March 9, 1899.