

## No. 107.

## AN ACT

Authorising the laying out a state road from the mouth of Larries creek, in Lycoming county, by the way of Wellsborough, Tioga county, to the New York state line, at or near Lawrenceville, in said county.

**SECT. 1.** *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That Lorentus Jackson and Titus Ives, of Tioga county, and John Knox and John Fisher, of Lycoming county, are hereby appointed commissioners to lay out, by courses and distances, a state road, beginning at the mouth of Larries creek, in Lycoming county, by the way of Wellsborough, Tioga county, to the New York state line, at or near Lawrenceville, in said county of Tioga.

Commissioners appointed to lay out road.

Their oaths and duties.

**SECT. 2** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the said commissioners, or a majority of them, after taking an oath or affirmation before a justice of the peace, to perform the duties enjoined upon them by this act, with impartiality and fidelity, carefully to view the ground over which the said road may pass, and lay out the same as near to a straight line between the aforesaid points as the nature of the ground and other important circumstances will permit, and in such manner that the vertical departure from a horizontal line shall at no point exceed six degrees, unless it be at the crossing of ravines and streams, where by moderate filling or bridging the declination of the road may be preserved within that limit.

To locate on the most advantageous ground.

**SECT. 3** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the commissioners, or a majority of them, in choosing the ground, to have due regard to the crossing of water, to the declination and nature of the ground, to the expenses of the townships, to the damages to private property, and to all other circumstances affecting the route, so that by a judicious and skilful combination of them, the route finally adopted may best promote the public good.

To mark the route.

**SECT. 4** *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the commissioners, plainly and distinctly to mark upon the ground the route agreed upon for the road as aforesaid, in such manner as to enable the supervisors readily to find the same, and for the purpose of fulfilling the duties in this act enjoined, the commissioners are hereby authorised to employ two chain bearers, one axeman, and one staff bearer, at a per diem allowance not exceeding one dollar.

To employ assistants.

SECT. 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the commissioners to make out a fair and accurate draft of the said location, noting thereon the courses and distances from point to point, as they occur, the improvements they pass through, and also the crossing of county and township lines, roads or waters, with such other matters as may serve for explanation, one copy whereof shall be deposited in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, on or before the first day of December next, and one copy in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of the respective counties aforesaid, on the day aforesaid, or as much sooner as practicable, which shall be a record thereof; and thenceforth, the said road shall be to all intents and purposes a public highway, and shall be opened and repaired in all respects as roads are opened and repaired which are laid out by order of the courts aforesaid.

Drafts of location.

Where deposited.

Road declared a highway.

SECT. 6. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the compensation of the commissioners shall be one dollar and fifty cents each for every day necessarily employed by virtue of this act; and the accounts of the said commissioners, for their own pay and the pay of their hands as aforesaid, shall be adjusted and allowed by the commissioners of Tioga and Lycoming counties, and paid by the treasurers thereof, on warrants drawn in the usual way, each county to pay one equal half part of the expenses incurred in laying out the same; the commissioners shall meet at the mouth of Larries creek, on the second Monday of May next, or as soon thereafter as possible, and complete the said work as soon as practicable; and if any vacancy or vacancies shall happen by the resignation of one or more of the commissioners, or by any other cause, the Governor is hereby authorised to fill the vacancy or vacancies by a suitable appointment.

Compensation of commissioners.

Adjustment of accounts.

Place and time of meeting.

Governor to fill vacancies.

SECT. 7. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the said commissioners to take from each and every person or persons owning lands along the roads, by them respectively to be laid out, acquittances or releases from any blame or damages, upon the condition that such road shall pass through such person or persons land or lands, and to file the same in the commissioners office in the proper county.

Commissioners to take &amp; file releases

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*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

WM. G. HAWKINS,

*Speaker of the Senate.*

APPROVED—The twenty-third day of March, Anno Domini; one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one,

GEO. WOLF: