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CHAPTER 178

AN ACT to amend chapter 181, laws of 1951, sections 12 (1), 25 and 31, relating to the additional jurisdiction of the county court of Rusk county and the salary of the judge thereof.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 181, laws of 1951, section 12 (1) is amended to read:

(Chapter 181, laws of 1951) Section 12. (1) The said county court shall have and exercise jurisdiction concurrent with and equal to the jurisdiction of the circuit court of said county in all civil actions, suits and proceedings, either at law or in equity, of every kind and nature and in all special proceedings of every kind and nature, except in actions on contract where the debt or balance due, of damages claimed in the complaint exceeds the sum of * * * \$100,000.

SECTION 2. Chapter 181, laws of 1951, section 25, is amended to read:

(Chapter 181, laws of 1951) Section 25. After issue is joined in any civil action or proceeding, any party may upon 5 days notice to the other party or parties, apply to the said court or the judge thereof to set down such case on the calendar of the court for trial on a particular day and the court or judge shall, if it be reasonably possible, fix a definite time for such trial, which shall not be less than 5 days from the time of hearing such application, unless the judge shall otherwise order. Provided that the issues of fact joined upon any complaint, indictment or information may be tried by the court without a jury or by a jury of less than 12 men whenever the accused in writing or by statement in open court entered in the minutes consents thereto. * * *

SECTION 3. Chapter 181, laws of 1951, section 31, is amended to read:

(Chapter 181, laws of 1951) Section 31. The county judge of Rusk county, until the end of the current term and until otherwise *lawfully* fixed by the county board, for performing the duties of his office and the duties of the office of judge of the juvenile court for said county, when performed by him, shall receive * * * *an annual salary of * * * \$5,500 as such county judge and \$500 as such judge of the juvenile court and in addition thereto any such additional sums as judge of the juvenile court as the county board may authorize*, to be paid out of the county treasury in equal monthly instalments at the end of each month.

Approved June 7, 1955.