## CHAPTER 199

H.B. No. 199

## AN ACT

relating to the residence of county and district clerks or their deputies.

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

SECTION 1. Section 82.006, Local Government Code, is repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 51.309(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The district clerk may appoint deputy clerks. Each appointment must be in writing under the hand and seal of the district court and must be recorded in the office of the county clerk. A deputy clerk must take the oath prescribed for officers of this state. A deputy clerk may perform in the name of the district clerk all official acts of the office of district clerk. [A district clerk not residing at the county seat shall appoint a deputy clerk who does reside there.]

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on April 23, 1993: Yeas 123, Nays 0, two present not voting; passed by the Senate on May 12, 1993: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved May 19, 1993.

Effective May 19, 1993.