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# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX.

AN ACT in relation to the rules of evidence in addition to "an act to amend section eighty-three of chapter eighty-two of the revised statutes relating to proceedings in court," approved March fifteenth, eighteen hundred sixty-two.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1. In all actions in which an executor, 2 administrator or other legal representative of a de-3 ceased person is a party, such executor, administrator 4 or representative party may offer himself as a witness 5 and testify to any facts, legally admissible upon the 6 general rules of evidence happening before the death 7 of the testator, intestate or deceased person; and when

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8 such executor, administrator or representative party 9 so offers himself and testifies, the adverse party shall 10 neither be excluded or excused from testifying in 11 reference to such matters or facts.

SECT. 2. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with 2 the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SECT. 3. This act shall take effect when approved.

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House of Representatives, January 25, 1866.

Reported from the Committee on the Judiciary, by Mr. WILSON, and 350 copies ordered to be printed, under rule, for the use of the Legislature.

F. M. DREW, Clerk.