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

AN ACT to amend chapter eighteen of the revised statutes concerning ways.

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

SECTION 1. In all cases where application has been 2 made to the county commissioners for a jury to assess 3 damages as provided in chapter eighteen of the revised 4 statutes, they shall appoint a person well versed in 5 law to preside at the view and hearing; and if from 6 any cause he does not attend at the time and place 7 appointed therefor, the officer who summoned the jury 8 shall adjourn the view and hearing till such person 9 does attend or another is appointed and attends in his

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10 place; and the person so presiding, in addition to the
11 duties prescribed in section twelve of said chapter,
12 shall make a certified report of the evidence introduced
13 before him and return the same to the court.

SECT. 2. Section thirteen of said chapter is so 2 amended that the supreme judicial court shall receive 3 said verdict and the certificate and report of the per-4 son presiding; either party interested therein may file 5 a written motion to set aside said verdict, for the same 6 causes that a verdict rendered in court may be set 7 aside; the court shall hear any competent evidence 8 relating to the same, adjudicate thereon, and confirm 9 the verdict, or set it aside for good cause, reserving 10 the right to except as in other cases.

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House of Representatives, } February 15, 1866.

Reported by Mr. FOSTER, from Committee on the Judiciary. F. M. DREW, Clerk.