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AN ACT to amend the county law, in relation to use of official seals

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Section 404 of the county law, as amended by chapter 961 of  
2     the laws of 1966, is amended to read as follows:  
3     S 404. Official seals. The official seals of boards of supervisors of  
4     the several counties, county seal, county treasurer's seal and the seal  
5     of the register of deeds shall continue to be the official seals,  
6     respectively, of such boards, county treasurer, surrogate and register  
7     of deeds and used as such, respectively, when authorized by law AND MAY  
8     NOT BE USED BY ANOTHER STATE OR MUNICIPAL AGENCY WITHOUT PRIOR CONSENT.  
9     When any such seal shall be lost, destroyed, or become unfit for use,  
10    the board of supervisors of the county interested therein or not having  
11    such seal, shall cause a new seal or seals to be made at the expense of  
12    the county. A description of each of such seals, together with the  
13    impressions therefrom, shall be filed in the office of the county clerk  
14    and in the office of the secretary of state. In counties having two  
15    county seats, a duplicate of the county seal shall be procured and kept  
16    at the county seat where the county clerk's office is not situated, at  
17    some place to be designated by the county clerk and may be used by him  
18    the same as at his office. In counties having but one court house and  
19    which is located more than five miles from the county clerk's office, a  
20    duplicate of the county seal shall be procured and kept at such court  
21    house and the county clerk may use the same at such court house. The  
22    seal kept by the county clerk in each county, as prescribed in the judi-  
23    ciary law, shall continue to be the seal of the county, and must be used  
24    by him where he is required to use an official seal.  
25    S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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