

**DOCUMENT 6 – AN ACT TO PERMANENTLY LOCATE THE SEAT OF
GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS**

February 7, 1837

TRANSCRIPTION

Sec 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois represented in the General Assembly. That the two Houses of the General Assembly shall meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives on the 20th— day of February, 1837 at ten O'clock AM., and then and there proceed, by joint vote, to select some suitable point or place for the permanent location of the seat of Government for the State of Illinois.

Sec 2. Each member shall be at liberty to vote for whatever point or place he may choose, and no point or place shall be deemed selected, until it shall have received a majority of all the votes given.

Sec 3. In case no point or place shall receive a majority of all the votes given, on the first vote, the two Houses shall continue to vote until some point or place shall receive such majority; Provided, that this section shall not be construed to prevent an adjournment from day to day.

Sec 4. When any point or place shall have received a majority as aforesaid, such point or place, shall be and remain the permanent location of the Seat of Government for the State of Illinois, from and after the time for which it is fixed at Vandalia shall have expired. And the sum of thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose of erecting a State House and other needful buildings (if any) which shall be expended under the direction of commissioners to be appointed by the present General

Assembly— Sec 5. An act entitled “An act permanently to locate the Seat of Government of Illinois” approved February 5th 1833 is hereby repealed

Passed the Senate, Feby 7. 1837

J B Thomas, Jr

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