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It was not the intention of the legislature that the provisions of Sec. 403, Chap. 76, Laws of 1913, should apply to the consolidation of school districts, but only to the formation of new districts.

June 17th, 1913.

Hon. J. D. Taylor,
County Attorney,
Hamilton, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of yours of the 13th instant, enclosing an opinion rendered by you to the county superintendent of schools of Ravalli County, and asking me for my opinion as to the correctness of your conclusions.

While the language used in Sec. 407 et seq. of Chap. 76 of the Session Laws of the Thirteenth Legislative Assembly, relating to the consolidation of districts, is not as clear as could be wished, I am of the opinion that the intention of the legislature was that the provisions of Sec. 403 of that law were not to apply to the consolidation of districts, but only to the formation of new districts, when such new districts were carved out of one or more old districts, and the reasons given by you seem to be sufficient and logical.

Yours very truly,

D. M. KELLY,
Attorney General.