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Board of Education

The following act once affected the board of education in Loudon County but is no longer operative.

1. Private Acts of 1979, Chapter 74, created a county board of education for Loudon County; provided for the election of members of such board and provided for their duties, powers and compensation. This act was repealed by Private Acts of 1979, Chapter 172.
2. Private Acts of 1979, Chapter 172, created a county board of education consisting of nine members. This act was repealed by Private Acts of 2002, Chapter 122.

General Reference

The following acts constitute part of the administrative and political heritage of the educational structure of Loudon County but are no longer operative since they have either been superseded, repealed, or failed to receive local approval. Also referenced below are acts which repeal prior law without providing new substantive provisions.

1. Private Acts of 1897, Chapter 228, created the Trigonía High School District out of parts of Loudon, Monroe and Blount counties. This act was amended by Acts of 1903, Chapter 164, so as to include the lands of Frank Shaddon and Richard Delashmitt in the Trigonía High School District.
2. Acts of 1909, Chapter 494, was a compulsory attendance law for Loudon County, requiring children between the ages of eight and fourteen to attend school either four months or eighty consecutive days of each year. Exceptions were made for adequate private instruction, physical or mental disabilities, or extreme poverty. This was amended by Private Acts of 1911, Chapter 307, which changed the population figures to those of the 1910 Federal Census, so that the law would be applicable to Loudon County only.
3. Private Acts of 1911, Chapter 248, created the "Frigonia High School District," a special school district out of part of Monroe, Blount and Loudon counties. Private Acts of 1915, Chapter 665, amended this act to remove Blount County from its provisions; this act was later repealed by Private Acts of 1917, Chapter 74. Two years later Private Acts of 1917, Chapter 508, with the stated purpose of including portions of Blount County in this independent school district, created the "Frigonia" High School District with the boundaries defined in the 1911 act. Blount County was finally removed from this school district by Private Acts of 1919, Chapter 779.
4. Private Acts of 1913, Extra Session, Chapter 75, created the Meadow High School District out of Loudon and Blount counties. This act also provided for a board of directors, the licensing of teachers and the transfer or payment of the per capita funds due from each county.
5. Private Acts of 1915, Chapter 469, directed the county court and the board of education of Loudon County to pro rata and to pay over to Lenoir City the amount due Lenoir City from the tax levy in 1914, which had been designated a "school building tax."
6. Private Acts of 1917, Chapter 665, authorized Loudon County to issue and sell its coupon bonds to an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for the purpose of building, repairing and furnishing school houses in or near the town of Loudon in the first district of Loudon County and in Lenoir City. The act also provided for a tax levy to pay the interest on said bonds and to pay off said bonds as they matured.
7. Private Acts of 1919, Chapter 370, created the Loudon Special School District out of the first civil district of Loudon County and including the city of Loudon. Private Acts of 1923, Chapter 250, amended this act, by requiring the special school district to equip and maintain a school for colored children and the boundaries of the district were changed by Private Acts of 1925, Chapter 245. All of these acts were repealed by Private Acts of 1927, Chapter 229.
8. Private Acts of 1923, Chapter 625, amended the general school tax law, Public Acts of 1899, Chapter 279, to provide that in Loudon County any municipal corporation would receive a pro rata share of that tax. Private Acts of 1927, Chapter 222, repealed Private Acts of 1923, Chapter 625.
9. Private Acts of 1925, Chapter 113, authorized the Loudon Special School District to issue bonds of \$25,000, at a maximum annual interest rate of 5%, to pay off their floating indebtedness.
10. Private Acts of 1927, Chapter 465, authorized Loudon County to issue \$50,000 in negotiable interest bearing coupon notes for the purpose of constructing and equipping school houses in said county.
11. Private Acts of 1929, Chapter 672, authorized Loudon County to issue \$205,000 in bonds for the

purpose of purchasing, building, repairing and equipping school buildings for elementary and high school purposes. These bonds, subject to voter approval, were to mature at an annual interest rate of 6%, within fifty years from their date of issuance.

12. Private Acts of 1935, Chapter 626, abolished the office of county superintendent of schools in Loudon County.
13. Private Acts of 1939, Chapter 279, validated the school and hospital bonds, of Loudon County in the aggregate amount of \$21,000, dated September 1, 1938, and to mature by September 1, 1950.

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