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Civil Districts

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COMPILER'S NOTE: The civil districts are no longer used as district boundaries for election of county legislative body (county commission) members, but the general law at T.C.A. § 5-1-112 left these civil district boundaries undisturbed for real property record-keeping purposes. This act is superseded by the Knox County Charter, Chapter 2, Article 1, Section 2-1 subject to continuation by ordinance of the county commission. This act is reproduced for its relevance to land records in Knox County.

SECTION 1. That the Civil Districts of Knox County as now existing, seventeen (17) in number, be and the same hereby are abolished, and that the said County be divided into nine (9) Civil Districts, numbered and bounded as follows:

FIRST DISTRICT: The First District shall consist of all territory now embraced in the following Wards of the City of Knoxville, to-wit: 1, 2, 3, 4, 12, 13 and 14, and said District containing the County Town shall elect three Justices of the Peace and two Constables.

SECOND DISTRICT: The Second District shall consist of the territory now embraced in the following Wards of the City of Knoxville, to-wit: Nos. 5, 7, 15 and 16, and shall elect two Justices of the Peace and one Constable.

THIRD DISTRICT: The Third District shall consist of the territory now embraced in the following Wards of the City of Knoxville, to-wit: Nos. 8, 11, 20 and 21, and shall elect two Justices of the Peace and one Constable.

FOURTH DISTRICT: The Fourth District shall consist of the territory now embraced in the following Wards of the City of Knoxville, to-wit: Nos. 6, 9, 10 and 22, and shall elect two Justices of the Peace and one Constable.

FIFTH DISTRICT: The Fifth District shall consist of the territory now embraced in the Eighth Civil District of Knox County and in the following Wards of the City of Knoxville, to-wit: Nos. 19, 23 and 24, and shall elect two Justices of the Peace and one Constable.

SIXTH DISTRICT: The Sixth District shall consist of the territory now embraced in the following Civil Districts of Knox County, to-wit: Nos. 6, 7, 9 and 16, and shall elect two Justices of the Peace and one Constable.

As amended by: Private Acts of 1953, Chapter 454

SEVENTH DISTRICT: The Seventh District shall consist of the territory now embraced in the Second Civil District of Knox County and in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Wards of the City of Knoxville, and shall elect two Justices of the Peace and one Constable.

EIGHTH DISTRICT: The Eighth District shall consist of all territory now embraced in the following Civil Districts of said County, to-wit: Nos. 4, 5, 13 and 15, and shall elect two Justices of the Peace and one Constable.

NINTH DISTRICT: The Ninth District shall consist of the territory now embraced in the Third, Fourteenth and Seventeenth Civil Districts of Knox County, and in the Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth Wards of the City of Knoxville, and shall elect two Justices of the Peace and one Constable.

TENTH DISTRICT: The Tenth District shall consist of the territory embraced prior to the enactment of Chapter 753 of the Private Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee for the year 1947 in the following Civil Districts of Knox County, to wit: number 10 and 11, and shall elect two Justices of the Peace and one Constable, and one member of School Board.

As amended by: Private Acts of 1953, Chapter 454

SECTION 2. That the office of Justice of the Peace in each incorporated town contained in Knox County be and the same hereby is abolished, and no incorporated town in said County shall elect or have power to elect any Justice of the Peace.

SECTION 3. That the number of Civil Districts of Knox County, as herein established, shall not be increased or diminished except by Act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee.

SECTION 4. That this statute shall not affect the present term of the office of the Justices of the Peace and Constables of Knox County elected from the Civil Districts of said County as now constituted and existing, and as to them this Act shall take effect September 1, 1948; but in order that the Quarterly County Court of Knox County and the Commissioners of Election of said County may make provision for voting precincts and registration of voters and for an election according to the provisions of this Act, and

for all other purposes, this Act shall take effect June 1, 1948.

SECTION 5. That if any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or any part of this Act shall be held or declared to be unconstitutional and void, it shall not affect the remaining part or parts of this Act, it being hereby declared to be the legislative intent to have passed the remainder of this Act, notwithstanding the part so held to be invalid, if any.

SECTION 6. That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 14, 1947.

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