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Board of Education

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Private Acts of 1931 Chapter 725

SECTION 1. That there is hereby created out of the territory comprising Cocke County seven Educational Districts by combining the civil districts and voting precincts of said County as follows:

The First Educational District shall be composed of the First Civil District and the Read Hill Precinct of the Eighth Civil District.

The Second Educational District shall be composed of the Second Civil District and the Seventh Civil District.

The Third Educational District shall be composed of the Third Civil District.

The Fourth Educational District shall be composed of the Fourth Civil District.

The Fifth Educational District shall be composed of the Ninth Civil District and the Fifth Civil District.

The Sixth Educational District shall be composed of the Sixth Civil District.

The Seventh Educational District shall be composed of the Tenth and Eleventh Civil Districts and the Edwina Precinct of the Eighth Civil District.

As amended by:

- Private Acts of 1943, Chapter 308
- Private Acts of 1947, Chapter 652
- Private Acts of 1947, Chapter 832
- Private Acts of 1959, Chapter 153

SECTION 2. That each member of the present Board of Education shall continue to hold membership on said Board until the first Monday in September following the first regular August election after the expiration of his present term, and that the successor for each of the present members of the said board shall be elected for a term of four years, one from each of said Educational Districts, except the fourth, from which there shall be elected two members.

That the election commissioners of Cocke County shall in the manner provided by General Law, call and hold an election in the various voting precincts of the respective Educational Districts as follows: On the first Thursday in August, 1932, for the purpose of electing a member of the County Board of Education for the Sixth Educational District and one for the Third Educational District, and in like manner hold an election on the first Thursday in August, 1934, for the purpose of electing a member of said Board of Education for the Second Educational District and one for the Fourth Educational District. In like manner they shall call and hold an election on the first Thursday in August, 1936, for the purpose of electing a member of said Board of Education for the First Educational District and one for the Fifth Educational District. In like manner they shall call and hold an election on the first Thursday in August, 1938, for the purpose of electing a member of said Board of Education for the Fourth Educational District.

Said Election Commissioners shall likewise call and hold elections in each of said Educational Districts as said four-year terms of the members of said County Board of Education expire.

SECTION 3. That persons desiring to become candidates for said office, shall qualify in the manner required by the General Law of the State, and after said election, the Board of Election Commissioners, shall canvass the returns and issue certificates of election to the successful candidates in each of the various districts. The same requirements as now, or may hereafter be provided by law, for members of County Boards of Education, shall be necessary to render a candidate eligible for said office, and said election, shall be conducted in the manner and under the same requirements of law, as are provided for electing members to the General Assembly, and with the same restrictions, requirements, and qualifications for voters, and the persons so elected shall hold their respective offices until their successors have been elected and have qualified.

In case of a vacancy on said Board as provided for in this Act, such vacancy, shall be filled for the unexpired term, by the Quarterly County Court, meeting next and after the said vacancy occurs, the member so elected to hold office until the next regular August election.

SECTION 4. That the members of said County Board of Education so elected, shall be inducted into office and shall be clothed with, and shall exercise all the duties and powers of members of the County Board of Education, as now provided by law.

SECTION 5. That if any Section or paragraph, or clause, of this Act shall be held invalid by the Courts, that it shall not in any way, affect or invalidate any other Section or paragraph, or clause.

SECTION 6. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act be, and the same are hereby

repealed.

SECTION 7. That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: July 2, 1931.

Private Acts of 1947 Chapter 832

COMPILER'S NOTE: Section 2 of this act should be read in conjunction with Private Acts of 1931, Chapter 725. Section 1 of this act specifically amended Private Acts of 1931, Chapter 725 which is printed herein.

SECTION 2. That each member of the present Cocke County Board of Education shall continue to hold membership on said Board until the expiration of his term and that their successors in the office shall be elected for the terms and at the times set out in said Chapter 725, Private Acts of 1931, Section 2, with the exception that, at the expiration of the terms of the two members from the Sixth Education District (as herein constituted), only one member of said Board shall be elected in and from said District; and in the Fourth Educational District (as herein constituted), T.B. Murrell shall serve as a member of said Board until September 1, 1948, and his successor shall be elected by the voters of said Fourth Educational District at the regular August election, 1948, for a term of two years, at the expiration of which a Board member from said Fourth Educational District shall be elected for the full term of four (4) years, thus making the total membership of said Board eight (8) until September 1, 1950.

SECTION 3. That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 13th, 1947.

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