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COMPILER'S NOTE: This act amends Chapter 6 of the Private Acts of 1983; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the Dickson County Board of Education.

SECTION 1. The Board of Education of Dickson County in existence on the effective date of this act, shall remain as the legally constituted Board of Education for Dickson County, until August 31, 1996, on which date this Board of Education shall be abolished.

SECTION 2. Dickson County is hereby divided into six (6) school districts. Each of the six (6) school districts shall have the perimeter boundaries identical to the perimeter boundaries of the combination of two (2) of the individual County Commissioner Districts:

- a. The First school district shall be the combination of the existing Tenth and Twelfth County Commissioner Districts;
- b. The Second school district shall be the combination of the existing Sixth and Eleventh County Commissioner Districts;
- c. The Third school district shall be the combination of the existing Second and Seventh County Commissioner Districts;
- d. The Fourth school district shall be the combination of the existing Eighth and Ninth County Commissioner Districts;
- e. The Fifth school district shall be the combination of the existing First and Third County Commissioner Districts; and
- f. The Sixth school district shall be the combination of the existing Fourth and Fifth County Commissioner Districts.

SECTION 3. In the August, 1996, General Election and every four (4) years thereafter, the qualified voters of the First, Third and Fifth school districts shall elect one (1) member from each of said districts to the Dickson County Board of Education, who shall serve a term of four (4) years.

In the August, 1996, General Election, the qualified voters of the Second, Fourth and Sixth school districts in Dickson County shall elect one (1) member to the Dickson County Board of Education who shall serve a term of two (2) years until August 31, 1998. In the August, 1998, General Election, and every four (4) years thereafter, the qualified voters of each Second, Fourth and Sixth school districts in Dickson County shall elect one (1) member of the Dickson County Board of Education who shall serve a term of four (4) years.

The Election Commission of Dickson County shall issue to the person elected, pursuant to this act, a certificate of election in the same manner as other county officers. In the event of a vacancy on the Board for any reason, a successor shall be elected by the County Commission until the next general election, at which time a successor shall be elected to fill the unexpired remainder of the term, if any.

SECTION 5. On September 1st of the year of their election, or as soon thereafter as is practical, the elected members of the Dickson County Board of Education shall meet at the county courthouse and take an oath of office, administered by someone authorized to administer oaths, and shall organize themselves as the Board of Education, electing one of their number as chairman.

SECTION 6. The compensation, qualification, powers, duties and liabilities of the members of the Dickson County Board of Education shall be as prescribed by general law.

SECTION 7. A majority of the members constituting the Board of Education of Dickson County shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of all the members constituting the Board of Education shall be required to pass or approve any measure or item of business.

SECTION 8. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Act, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end, the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 9. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved and ratified by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the County Commission.

SECTION 10. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act as provided in Section 9, it shall be effective only upon being approved as provided for in Section 9 above.

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