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Private Acts of 1994 Chapter 122

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SECTION 1. Chapter 62 of the Private Acts of 1969, as amended by Chapter 23, of the Private Acts of 1985, and all other acts amendatory thereto, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. Warren County shall be divided into six (6) school districts; each of which shall be composed of two (2) adjoining county commissioner districts, as follows:

- School District 1 - County Commissioner Districts 2 & 3
- School District 2 - County Commissioner Districts 1 & 6
- School District 3 - County Commissioner Districts 4 & 5
- School District 4 - County Commissioner Districts 7 & 8
- School District 5 - County Commissioner Districts 9 & 10
- School District 6 - County Commissioner Districts 11 & 12

The Warren County Board of Education (hereinafter the "board") shall consist of six (6) members, with one (1) member of the board being elected by the qualified voters in each school district. Board members shall be elected to staggered four (4) year terms so that every two (2) years the terms of one-half (1/2) the members of the board shall expire, with the odd-numbered districts (Districts 1, 3 and 5) expiring at the same time and the even-numbered districts (Districts 2, 4 and 6) expiring at the same time. Persons elected in the regular August General Elections shall take office on September 1 following the election and shall serve until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

SECTION 3. During the transition from the current seven (7) member board to the new six (6) member board, all incumbent board members shall continue to serve on the board until the expiration of their current terms. The new six (6) member board shall be elected as follows: At the August 1994 Election, one (1) member shall be elected from each of the odd-numbered school districts (Districts 1, 3 and 5) to serve four (4) year terms. At the August 1996 Election, one (1) member shall be elected from each of the even-numbered school districts (Districts 2, 4 and 6) to serve four (4) year terms. Thereafter, all board members shall be elected to four (4) year terms.

SECTION 4. It is the intent of this act that future changes in the boundary lines of county commissioner districts for purposes of reapportionment shall automatically redefine the school district boundary lines so that further action on the part of the general assembly for this purpose is not required. In the event such reapportionment results in a school board member no longer residing in the district he or she represents, such member shall continue to hold office until the expiration of his or her term. If changes in the boundaries of school districts result in more than one (1) board member residing in a single district, all of such members shall continue to hold office until their respective terms expire, and no board member shall be elected in such district until the last such member's term expires, at which time the voters of that district shall elect a resident of such district to the board to an initial term which will expire at the same time as the other board members from odd-numbered districts or even-numbered districts, as the case may be, and to four (4) year terms thereafter. If changes in school district boundaries result in one (1) or more school districts which are without a board member residing therein, at the next regular August Election a new school board member shall be elected from each such district to an initial term which will expire at the same time as other board members from odd-numbered districts or even-numbered districts, as the case may be, and to four (4) year terms thereafter. Changes in school districts may result in the number of members on the board temporarily exceeding the number of school districts until the expiration of the terms of the members in office on the date of such changes.

SECTION 5. The Warren County Board of Education shall have the same powers, duties, privileges and qualifications as the county boards of education established pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2, except as otherwise provided herein.

SECTION 6. Nothing in this act shall be construed as having the effect of removing any incumbent from office or abridging the term of any official prior to the end of the term for which such official was elected.

SECTION 7. 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 the 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 8. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the county legislative body of Warren County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the county legislative body of Warren County and so certified to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 9. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being

approved as provided in Section 8.
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