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# Districts - Reapportionment

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## Private Acts of 1943 Chapter 128

**SECTION 1.** That in counties of this State having a population of not less than 19,750 nor more than 19,800 by the Federal Census of 1940 or any subsequent Federal Census there shall be sixteen civil districts. The First Civil District shall consist of its present boundaries and shall not be subject to or affected by any part of this bill.

The Second Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Second Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Third Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Third Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Fourth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Fourth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Fifth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Fifth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Sixth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Sixth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Seventh Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Seventh Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Eighth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Eighth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Ninth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Ninth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Tenth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Tenth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Eleventh Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Eleventh Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Twelfth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Twelfth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Thirteenth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Thirteenth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Fourteenth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Fourteenth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Fifteenth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Fifteenth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

The Sixteenth Civil District of said County shall be composed of the Sixteenth Civil District as it existed on January 1, 1941.

**SECTION 2.** That this bill shall in no wise affect any official elected by a corporation in said county.

**SECTION 3.** That all constables and justices of the peace chosen in this special election shall serve the unexpired term, constables thus chosen shall serve until September 1, 1944, justices of the peace until September 1, 1948. And that all constables and justices of the peace now in office within the districts affected by this Act shall continue in office until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

**SECTION 4.** That within sixty days after the passage of this Act it shall be the duty of the election commissioners of said counties to order, open and hold an election at the regular voting places in said counties for the purpose of ascertaining the will of the majority of the legal voters of said counties in the election of one constable and two justices of the peace for each of the Civil District created by this Act. Said election shall be held not less than ten days and not more than twenty days after the issuance of notice thereof, which notice shall be published in a weekly newspaper in said county for not less than two weeks in succession. All voters legally qualified to vote in State, county and city elections shall be qualified to vote therein.

**SECTION 5.** That upon the ballots which shall be in size according to that required by general election law, shall be printed the names of all qualified candidates, and the voters shall vote by placing an X opposite the candidate for whom he desires to vote. Said election shall be held in accordance with the law regarding general elections, and the expenses of holding same shall be paid for in the same manner as is provided for holding general elections, and any violation of law in this election shall be punishable as any violation of the general election law.

**SECTION 6.** That the Legislature of Tennessee expressly declares that each section and sub-section of this Act is severable and that should any part of this Act be held unconstitutional or invalid, the invalid portion shall be edified, and that no other section of this Act shall be affected thereby.

**SECTION 7.** That it shall be the duty of the election commissioner to canvass the vote and certify the results within five days after said election.

**SECTION 8.** That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.  
Passed: January 18, 1943.

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