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# Board of Education

## Private Acts of 1972 Chapter 251

**SECTION 1.** That there is hereby created and established in Fentress County, Tennessee, a County Board of Education to be composed of members to be elected by the qualified voters of said County in the manner hereinafter provided. Provided further, however, that nothing in this Act shall affect any of the present members of the County Board of Education or prevent said members from completing their present term of office to which they have been previously elected.

**SECTION 2.** That from and after the effective date of this Act, the Quarterly County Court of Fentress County shall have the power to make interim appointments to fill any vacancies occurring on the County Board of Education prior to the regular general election which is to be held in August, 1972. The persons so selected or chosen shall hold membership on the County Board of Education for the unexpired term of their predecessor.

**SECTION 3.** That in the event a vacancy occurs on the County Board of Education of Fentress County after the regular county election of 1972, such vacancy being on account of death, resignation, removal of residence of a member of said board from the school district from which said member was elected, or any other cause or reason, and such vacancy having occurred 30 or more days before the last day for board member candidates to qualify in a regular election, the Quarterly County Court of Fentress County in regular or called session, a quorum being present, shall elect someone to fill said vacancy, and the person so elected or appointed shall serve until a successor is duly elected at the next regular general election by the qualified voters of the district. If such vacancy occurs less than 30 days before the last qualifying date for the next regular election, the person so elected by the Quarterly County Court shall hold until his successor is elected at the next regular election after the forthcoming regular election.

Provided however, that if such vacancy is that of a member who was holding office prior to the August 1972 election, or his interim appointed successor, the person elected to fill such vacancy shall hold membership on the County Board of Education for the unexpired term of the predecessor. This proviso applies only to the present (transitional) membership and is ineffective after September 1, 1976.

**SECTION 4.** That the qualified voters of Fentress County shall elect a County Board of Education to be composed of ten (10) members, elected to terms of four (4) years, except as provided otherwise in this act for purposes of transition. Two (2) members shall be elected from each school district. Terms shall be staggered so that one (1) member from each district is elected at each regular August election. The members of the Board of Education shall be at least twenty-one

(21) years of age, citizens of the United States and the State of Tennessee and residents of the district in Fentress County which they represent.

As amended by: Private Acts of 1994, Chapter 160,  
Private Acts of 1998, Chapter 149.

**SECTION 5.** That Fentress County is by this Act divided into five (5) school districts as follows:

### DISTRICT I

Beginning at the point where the west boundary line of the city limits of Jamestown crosses Highway 52 west of the public square and running thence northwardly, eastwardly, and southwardly with the corporate limits of Jamestown to the north prong of White Oak Creek; thence down and with the meanders of the north prong of White Oak Creek to a point due north of the Old Hicks Cemetery; thence due south to the Old Hicks Cemetery; thence southwardly with the cemetery roadway to the highway leading from Jamestown to Stockton; thence westwardly with said highway approximately 1,300 feet to the intersection of the county road which leads to the City of Allardt; thence southwestwardly with said road to its intersection with the county road leading to the Fentress County Memory Gardens and continuing with that road in all approximately 2-1/5 miles to the intersection of Tom Price Road; thence northwestwardly and westwardly with the Tom Price Road to the intersection of Highway 52; thence northwardly and westwardly with Highway 52 to the city limits of Jamestown; thence southwardly, westwardly and northwardly with the corporate limits of Jamestown to the beginning.

### DISTRICT II

Beginning at the point where Natural Bridge Creek, being the creek which runs into Pickett Park Lake, crosses the Pickett County and Fentress County line; thence westwardly up Natural Bridge Creek to the head of said creek; thence southwestwardly a straight line to the cliff of Cumberland Mountain above the head of Johnson Branch, the latter being a prong of Pogue Creek; thence following the various meanders of the cliff of Cumberland Mountain along the south side of the Wolf River Valley to the intersection of

the Doubletop Road and Highway 127 at Squirrel Flat; thence southwardly with Highway 127 to the north boundary line of the city of Jamestown; thence westwardly and southwardly with the various meanders of the corporate limits of the City of Jamestown to the head of Rock Castle Creek; thence down Rock Castle Creek with its various meanders to Buffalo Cove Creek; thence down Buffalo Cove Creek with its meanders to Obey River; thence southwardly and up Obey River to the mouth of Big Piney Creek; thence up Big Piney Creek with its various meanders in a westwardly direction to the county line between Fentress County and Overton County; thence northwardly with the Overton County Line to the Pickett County line; thence northwardly and eastwardly with the Pickett County line to the point of beginning.

DISTRICT III

Beginning at the point in the Morgan County line where the south prong of Clear Fork River runs into the north prong of Clear Fork River; thence westwardly and southwestwardly with the various meanders of the north prong of Clear Fork River to the point where it crosses Highway 4242; thence westwardly with Highway 4242 to its intersection with Highway 127; thence continuing westwardly crossing Highway 127 and following the county road to the point where it crosses Cobb Creek; thence northwestwardly with the meanders of Cobb Creek to Obey River; thence down Obey River with its various meanders to the mouth of Buffalo Cove Creek; thence southeastwardly up Buffalo Cove Creek to Rock Castle Creek; thence northeastwardly up Rock Castle Creek with its various meanders to the corporate limits of the City of Jamestown; thence southwardly, eastwardly and northwardly with the corporate limits of Jamestown to Highway 52; thence eastwardly and southwardly with Highway 52 to the intersection of the Tom Price Road to its intersection with the road which leads from Stockton to the Fentress County Memory Gardens; thence northeastwardly with said road to its intersection with the road leading from Stockton to the City limits of Allardt; thence due south with said road to the city limits of Allardt; thence westwardly, southwardly, eastwardly and northwardly with the city limits of Allardt to Highway 52; thence eastwardly with Highway 52 to the Morgan County line at Clear Fork River; thence southwestwardly up and with the meanders of Clear Fork River to the beginning.

DISTRICT IV

Beginning at the point in the Morgan County line where the south prong of Clear Fork River runs into the north prong of Clear Fork River; thence westwardly and southwestwardly with the various meanders of the north prong of Clear Fork River to the point where it crosses Highway 4242; thence westwardly with Highway 4242 to its intersection with Highway 127; thence continuing westwardly crossing Highway 127 and following a county road to the point where it crosses Cobb Creek; thence northwestwardly with the meanders of Cobb Creek to Obey River; thence down Obey River with its various meanders to the mouth of Big Piney Creek; thence westwardly up Big Piney Creek with its various meanders to the Overton County line; thence southwardly with the Overton County line to the Putnam County line; thence southeastwardly with the Putnam County line to the Cumberland County line; thence eastwardly with the Cumberland County line to the Morgan County line; thence northwardly with the Morgan County line to the beginning.

DISTRICT V

Beginning at the point where Natural Bridge Creek, same being the Creek which runs into Pickett Park Lake, crosses the Pickett County and Fentress County line; thence westwardly up Natural Bridge Creek to the head of said creek; thence southwestwardly a straight line to the cliff of Cumberland Mountain above the head of Johnson Branch, the latter being a prong of Pogue Creek; thence following the various meanders of the cliff of Cumberland Mountain along the south side of the Wolf River Valley to the intersection of the Doubletop Road and Highway 127 at Squirrel Flat; thence southwardly with Highway 127 to the north boundary line of the City of Jamestown; thence eastwardly and southwardly with the corporate limits of Jamestown to the north prong of White Oak Creek; thence down the north White Oak creek with the various meanders thereof to a point due north of the Old Hicks Cemetery; thence due south to the Old Hicks Cemetery; thence southwardly with the cemetery roadway to the highway leading from Jamestown to Stockton; thence westwardly with said highway approximately 1300 feet to the intersection of the county road which leads to the City of Allardt; thence southwestwardly and southwardly with said county road to the city limits of Allardt; thence with the city limits of Allardt westwardly, southwardly, eastwardly and northwardly to the point where the east boundary line of the City of Allardt crosses Highway 52; thence eastwardly with Highway 52 to the Morgan County line; thence northeastwardly with the Morgan County line to the Scott County line; thence northwestwardly with the Scott County line to the Pickett County line; thence westwardly with the Pickett County line to the beginning.

**SECTION 6.** That the membership of the County Board of Education shall be elected by the qualified voters of said county in the following manner:

At the next general election to be held in August 1972, one person shall be elected to the County Board of Education by the qualified voters of school district number two and one person shall be elected to the County Board of Education by the qualified voters of school district number three. The terms of office shall

be for six (6) years beginning September 1, 1972. At the general election in August, 1974, one person shall be elected to the County Board of Education by the qualified voters of school district number one. The term of office shall be for six (6) years beginning September 1, 1974. At the general election in August, 1976, two persons shall be elected to the County Board of Education, one by the qualified voters for school district number four and one by the qualified voters for school district number five. The terms of office shall be for six (6) years beginning September 1, 1976.

At the August 1994 election, the successors to the incumbent members in Districts 4 and 5 shall be elected to four (4) year terms. The new members from Districts 1, 4 and 5 shall be elected to two (2) year terms, and the new members from Districts 2 and 3 shall be elected to four (4) year terms. After the August 1994 election, all members shall be elected to four (4) year terms.

At the August 1998 election, one (1) member from each of the five (5) school districts shall be elected for a term of two (2) years and one (1) member of each of the five (5) school districts shall be elected for a term of four (4) years. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes in each school district shall be elected to a four (4) year term, and the candidate receiving the second greatest number of votes in each school district shall be elected to a two (2) year term. After the August 1998 election, all members shall be elected to four (4) year terms.

As amended by: Private Acts of 1994, Chapter 160,  
Private Acts of 1998, Chapter 149.

**SECTION 7.** That the powers, duties, qualifications and mode of procedure of the County Board of Education of Fentress County shall be the same as now provided for a County Board of Education under the general statutes and laws of the State of Tennessee, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

**SECTION 8.** That the members of the County Board of Education of Fentress County shall be compensated at the rate of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per day for each day's attendance upon meetings of the County Board of Education. Such compensation shall be paid out of the school fund of said county.

**SECTION 9.** That it is hereby declared to be the intent of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee to provide a County Board of Education for Fentress County to be elected by the qualified voters of the above described districts and said Board to be composed of five (5) members to serve staggered terms of six (6) years each; subject to the completion of the terms of office of the present membership. All Private Acts in conflict with this Act are repealed.

**SECTION 10.** That this Act shall have no effect unless the same shall have been approved by a two-thirds vote of the Quarterly County Court of Fentress County on or before the next regular meeting of such Court occurring more than thirty days after its approval by the Chief Executive of this State. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the body having jurisdiction to approve or the reverse, and shall be certified by him to the Secretary of State.

**SECTION 11.** That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: February 29, 1972.

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