

SENATE BILL No. 177

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 36-6-6.

Synopsis: Marion County township boards. Provides that in Marion County, a township board consists of five (instead of seven) members. Requires a township board in Marion County to adopt a resolution dividing the township into five legislative body districts not later than July 1, 2014. Provides that members of the initial five member township board are elected at the November 2016 general election.

Effective: July 1, 2012.

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January 4, 2012, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2011 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 36-6-6-2, AS AMENDED BY P.L.240-2005,
2 SECTION 6, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) and
4 section 2.1 of this chapter, a three (3) member township board shall be
5 elected under IC 3-10-2-13 by the voters of each township.
6 (b) The township board in a county containing a consolidated city
7 shall consist of **the following**:
8 (1) **Before January 1, 2017**, seven (7) members elected under
9 IC 3-10-2-13 by the voters of each township.
10 (2) **After December 31, 2016, five (5) members elected under**
11 **IC 3-10-2-13 by the voters of each township.**
12 (c) The township board is the township legislative body.
13 (d) The term of office of a township board member is four (4) years,
14 beginning January 1 after election and continuing until a successor is
15 elected and qualified.
16 SECTION 2. IC 36-6-6-2.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
17 AS A **NEW SECTION** TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY



1 1, 2012]: **Sec. 2.3. (a) This section applies only to a township in a**
2 **county having a consolidated city.**

3 **(b) Section 2 of this chapter does not affect the term of a**
4 **township legislative body member that expires January 1, 2013, or**
5 **January 1, 2017.**

6 **(c) Not later than July 1, 2014, a township legislative body shall**
7 **adopt a resolution under section 2.5 of this chapter dividing the**
8 **township into five (5) legislative body districts in accordance with**
9 **section 2 of this chapter. A five (5) member township legislative**
10 **body shall be elected in accordance with section 2 of this chapter**
11 **at the 2016 general election.**

12 **(d) This section expires January 1, 2017.**

13 SECTION 3. IC 36-6-6-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.240-2005,
14 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
15 JULY 1, 2012]: Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and
16 (c), two (2) members of the legislative body constitute a quorum.

17 **(b) Before January 1, 2017, four (4) members of the legislative**
18 **body in a county containing a consolidated city constitute a quorum.**
19 **After December 31, 2016, three (3) members of the legislative body**
20 **in a county having a consolidated city constitute a quorum.**

21 (c) This subsection applies to a township government that:

22 (1) is created by a merger of township governments under
23 IC 36-6-1.5; and

24 (2) elects a township board under section 2.1 of this chapter.

25 A majority of the members of the legislative body constitute a quorum.
26 If a township board has an even number of members, the township
27 executive shall serve as an ex officio member of the township board for
28 the purpose of casting the deciding vote to break a tie.

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