

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 526  
SENATE BILL 442

AN ACT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
SURRY COUNTY, TO INCREASE AND STAGGER THEIR TERMS OF OFFICE  
AND TO CREATE DISTRICTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

**Section 1.** The Board of County Commissioners of Surry County shall consist of five members who shall be nominated from the districts herein created and elected county wide for the terms and in the manner herein provided.

**Sec. 2.** Surry County is hereby divided into four districts for the election of County Commissioners, as follows:

(a) The Mount Airy District shall consist of Mt. Airy Township and this District shall have two Commissioners.

(b) The East District shall consist of Pilot, Shoals, Siloam, Long Hill, North Westfield and South Westfield Townships and this District shall have one Commissioner.

(c) The Central District shall consist of Dobson, Franklin, Stewart's Creek, and Eldora Townships and this District shall have one Commissioner.

(d) The South District shall consist of Elkin, Bryan, Marsh and Rockford Townships and this District shall have one Commissioner.

**Sec. 3.** Each Commissioner must be a resident of the district from which elected. The candidates from each district shall be voted on in the primary by all the voters of Surry County and the nominees of the respective political parties from each district shall be voted on in the general election by all the voters of Surry County.

**Sec. 4.** In the primary and general election in 1970, there shall be nominated and elected two commissioners from Mount Airy District, and one commissioner from each of the other districts. At the general election in 1970, the candidate from Mount Airy District receiving the highest number of votes shall serve for a term of four years, and the candidate receiving the next highest number of votes shall serve for a term of two years. Thereafter, as their terms expire, their successors shall be elected for terms of four years.

The candidate from East, Central & South Districts receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected, and the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes of the three so elected shall serve for a term of four years, and the remaining candidate shall serve for a term of two years. Thereafter, as their terms expire, their successors shall be elected for terms of four years.

**Sec. 5.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

**Sec. 6.** This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 19th day of May, 1969.