

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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CHAPTER 861
SENATE BILL 1040

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN
HENDERSON COUNTY, TO CREATE DISTRICTS AND TO INCREASE THE
NUMBER OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Board of County Commissioners in Henderson County shall consist of five commissioners who shall be nominated and elected for staggered terms of four years, as herein provided.

Sec. 2. For the purpose of nominating and electing members of the County Board of Commissioners, there is hereby created from the following precincts, five residence districts:

District I. Clear Creek, Southeast Hendersonville, Southwest Hendersonville.

District II. Hoopers Creek, Balfour, North East, North West.

District III. Rugby, Mills River, Etowah, Horse Shoe, Laurel Park.

District IV. North Blue Ridge, South Blue Ridge, Edneyville, Bat Cave, Raven Rock, Green River.

District V. Bowman's Bluff, Crab Creek, Valley Hill, Flat Rock.

In the event the precinct boundaries should be changed after the ratification of this act, the district boundaries, as established in this section, shall remain as herein established for the purpose of electing members of the County Board of Commissioners.

Sec. 3. Beginning with the primary and general election to be held in 1974, there shall be nominated and elected one commissioner from each of the residence districts. Candidates must be qualified voters and reside in the district from which they seek nomination and election. In the primary and general election, the candidates shall be nominated and elected by the voters of the county as a whole.

Sec. 4. In the general election to be held in 1974, the three candidates in the respective districts receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for terms of four years, and the two candidates in the respective districts receiving the next highest number of votes shall be elected for terms of two years. Thereafter, as the term of each member expires, his successor shall be elected for a term of four years.

Sec. 5. Vacancies on the Board of County Commissioners occurring for any reason shall be filled by the County Executive Committee of the political party with which the vacating member affiliated. The person appointed shall be a resident of the district in which the vacancy occurred and a member of the same party with which the vacating member affiliated.

Sec. 6. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 18th day of February, 1974.