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**S. B. No. 141**

**Senator Hite**

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**A BILL**

To amend sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1  
1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, 1901.312, 1901.34, 2  
and 1907.11 of the Revised Code to create the 3  
Paulding County Municipal Court in Paulding on 4  
January 1, 2019, to establish one full-time 5  
judgeship in that court, to provide for the 6  
nomination of the judge by petition only, to 7  
abolish the Paulding County County Court on that 8  
date, to designate the Paulding County Clerk of 9  
Courts as the clerk of the Paulding County 10  
Municipal Court, and to provide for the election 11  
for the Paulding County Municipal Court of one 12  
full-time judge in 2018. 13

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 14  
1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, 1901.312, 1901.34, and 1907.11 of the 15  
Revised Code be amended to read as follows: 16

**Sec. 1901.01.** (A) There is hereby established a municipal 17  
court in each of the following municipal corporations: 18

Akron, Alliance, Ashland, Ashtabula, Athens, Avon Lake, 19

Barberton, Bedford, Bellefontaine, Bellevue, Berea, Bowling 20  
Green, Bryan, Bucyrus, Cambridge, Campbell, Canton, Carrollton, 21  
Celina, Chardon, Chesapeake, Chillicothe, Cincinnati, 22  
Circleville, Cleveland, Cleveland Heights, Columbus, Conneaut, 23  
Coshocton, Cuyahoga Falls, Dayton, Defiance, Delaware, East 24  
Cleveland, East Liverpool, Eaton, Elyria, Euclid, Fairborn, 25  
Fairfield, Findlay, Franklin, Fremont, Gallipolis, Garfield 26  
Heights, Georgetown, Girard, Greenville, Hamilton, Hillsboro, 27  
Huron, Ironton, Jackson, Kenton, Kettering, Lakewood, Lancaster, 28  
Lebanon, Lima, Logan, London, Lorain, Lyndhurst, Mansfield, 29  
Marietta, Marion, Marysville, Mason, Massillon, Maumee, Medina, 30  
Mentor, Miamisburg, Middletown, Millersburg, Mount Gilead, Mount 31  
Vernon, Napoleon, Newark, New Philadelphia, Newton Falls, Niles, 32  
Norwalk, Oakwood, Oberlin, Oregon, Ottawa, Painesville, Parma, 33  
Paulding, Perrysburg, Port Clinton, Portsmouth, Ravenna, Rocky 34  
River, Sandusky, Shaker Heights, Shelby, Sidney, South Euclid, 35  
Springfield, Steubenville, Struthers, Sylvania, Tiffin, Toledo, 36  
Troy, Upper Sandusky, Urbana, Vandalia, Van Wert, Vermilion, 37  
Wadsworth, Wapakoneta, Warren, City of Washington in Fayette 38  
county, to be known as Washington Court House, Willoughby, 39  
Wilmington, Wooster, Xenia, Youngstown, and Zanesville. 40

(B) There is hereby established a municipal court within 41  
Clermont county in Batavia or in any other municipal corporation 42  
or unincorporated territory within Clermont county that is 43  
selected by the legislative authority of the Clermont county 44  
municipal court. The municipal court established by this 45  
division is a continuation of the municipal court previously 46  
established in Batavia by this section before the enactment of 47  
this division. 48

(C) There is hereby established a municipal court within 49  
Columbiana county in Lisbon or in any other municipal 50

corporation or unincorporated territory within Columbiana 51  
county, except the municipal corporation of East Liverpool or 52  
Liverpool or St. Clair township, that is selected by the judges 53  
of the municipal court pursuant to division (I) of section 54  
1901.021 of the Revised Code. 55

(D) Effective January 1, 2008, there is hereby established 56  
a municipal court within Erie county in Milan or in any other 57  
municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within Erie 58  
county that is within the territorial jurisdiction of the Erie 59  
county municipal court and is selected by the legislative 60  
authority of that court. 61

(E) The Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall remain in 62  
existence until December 31, 2008, and shall be replaced by the 63  
Stow municipal court on January 1, 2009. 64

(F) Effective January 1, 2009, there is hereby established 65  
a municipal court in the municipal corporation of Stow. 66

(G) Effective July 1, 2010, there is hereby established a 67  
municipal court within Montgomery county in any municipal 68  
corporation or unincorporated territory within Montgomery 69  
county, except the municipal corporations of Centerville, 70  
Clayton, Dayton, Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, 71  
Moraine, Oakwood, Union, Vandalia, and West Carrollton and 72  
Butler, German, Harrison, Miami, and Washington townships, that 73  
is selected by the legislative authority of that court. 74

(H) Effective January 1, 2013, there is hereby established 75  
a municipal court within Sandusky county in any municipal 76  
corporation or unincorporated territory within Sandusky county, 77  
except the municipal corporations of Bellevue and Fremont and 78  
Ballville, Sandusky, and York townships, that is selected by the 79

legislative authority of that court. 80

**Sec. 1901.02.** (A) The municipal courts established by 81  
section 1901.01 of the Revised Code have jurisdiction within the 82  
corporate limits of their respective municipal corporations, or, 83  
for the Clermont county municipal court, the Columbiana county 84  
municipal court, and, effective January 1, 2008, the Erie county 85  
municipal court, within the municipal corporation or 86  
unincorporated territory in which they are established, and are 87  
courts of record. Each of the courts shall be styled 88  
"..... municipal court," inserting 89  
the name of the municipal corporation, except the following 90  
courts, which shall be styled as set forth below: 91

(1) The municipal court established in Chesapeake that 92  
shall be styled and known as the "Lawrence county municipal 93  
court"; 94

(2) The municipal court established in Cincinnati that 95  
shall be styled and known as the "Hamilton county municipal 96  
court"; 97

(3) The municipal court established in Ravenna that shall 98  
be styled and known as the "Portage county municipal court"; 99

(4) The municipal court established in Athens that shall 100  
be styled and known as the "Athens county municipal court"; 101

(5) The municipal court established in Columbus that shall 102  
be styled and known as the "Franklin county municipal court"; 103

(6) The municipal court established in London that shall 104  
be styled and known as the "Madison county municipal court"; 105

(7) The municipal court established in Newark that shall 106  
be styled and known as the "Licking county municipal court"; 107

- (8) The municipal court established in Wooster that shall 108  
be styled and known as the "Wayne county municipal court"; 109
- (9) The municipal court established in Wapakoneta that 110  
shall be styled and known as the "Auglaize county municipal 111  
court"; 112
- (10) The municipal court established in Troy that shall be 113  
styled and known as the "Miami county municipal court"; 114
- (11) The municipal court established in Bucyrus that shall 115  
be styled and known as the "Crawford county municipal court"; 116
- (12) The municipal court established in Logan that shall 117  
be styled and known as the "Hocking county municipal court"; 118
- (13) The municipal court established in Urbana that shall 119  
be styled and known as the "Champaign county municipal court"; 120
- (14) The municipal court established in Jackson that shall 121  
be styled and known as the "Jackson county municipal court"; 122
- (15) The municipal court established in Springfield that 123  
shall be styled and known as the "Clark county municipal court"; 124
- (16) The municipal court established in Kenton that shall 125  
be styled and known as the "Hardin county municipal court"; 126
- (17) The municipal court established within Clermont 127  
county in Batavia or in any other municipal corporation or 128  
unincorporated territory within Clermont county that is selected 129  
by the legislative authority of that court that shall be styled 130  
and known as the "Clermont county municipal court"; 131
- (18) The municipal court established in Wilmington that, 132  
beginning July 1, 1992, shall be styled and known as the 133  
"Clinton county municipal court"; 134

- (19) The municipal court established in Port Clinton that shall be styled and known as the "Ottawa county municipal court"; 135  
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- (20) The municipal court established in Lancaster that, beginning January 2, 2000, shall be styled and known as the "Fairfield county municipal court"; 138  
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- (21) The municipal court established within Columbiana county in Lisbon or in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated territory selected pursuant to division (I) of section 1901.021 of the Revised Code, that shall be styled and known as the "Columbiana county municipal court"; 141  
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- (22) The municipal court established in Georgetown that, beginning February 9, 2003, shall be styled and known as the "Brown county municipal court"; 146  
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- (23) The municipal court established in Mount Gilead that, beginning January 1, 2003, shall be styled and known as the "Morrow county municipal court"; 149  
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- (24) The municipal court established in Greenville that, beginning January 1, 2005, shall be styled and known as the "Darke county municipal court"; 152  
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- (25) The municipal court established in Millersburg that, beginning January 1, 2007, shall be styled and known as the "Holmes county municipal court"; 155  
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- (26) The municipal court established in Carrollton that, beginning January 1, 2007, shall be styled and known as the "Carroll county municipal court"; 158  
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- (27) The municipal court established within Erie county in Milan or established in any other municipal corporation or 161  
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unincorporated territory that is within Erie county, is within 163  
the territorial jurisdiction of that court, and is selected by 164  
the legislative authority of that court that, beginning January 165  
1, 2008, shall be styled and known as the "Erie county municipal 166  
court"; 167

(28) The municipal court established in Ottawa that, 168  
beginning January 1, 2011, shall be styled and known as the 169  
"Putnam county municipal court"; 170

(29) The municipal court established within Montgomery 171  
county in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory 172  
within Montgomery county, except the municipal corporations of 173  
Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, 174  
Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, Union, Vandalia, and West 175  
Carrollton and Butler, German, Harrison, Miami, and Washington 176  
townships, that is selected by the legislative authority of that 177  
court and that, beginning July 1, 2010, shall be styled and 178  
known as the "Montgomery county municipal court"; 179

(30) The municipal court established within Sandusky 180  
county in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory 181  
within Sandusky county, except the municipal corporations of 182  
Bellevue and Fremont and Ballville, Sandusky, and York 183  
townships, that is selected by the legislative authority of that 184  
court and that, beginning January 1, 2013, shall be styled and 185  
known as the "Sandusky county municipal court"; 186

(31) The municipal court established in Tiffin that, 187  
beginning January 1, 2014, shall be styled and known as the 188  
"Tiffin-Fostoria municipal court-"; 189

(32) The municipal court established in Paulding that, 190  
beginning January 1, 2019, shall be styled and known as the 191

<u>"Paulding county municipal court."</u>	192
(B) In addition to the jurisdiction set forth in division	193
(A) of this section, the municipal courts established by section	194
1901.01 of the Revised Code have jurisdiction as follows:	195
The Akron municipal court has jurisdiction within Bath,	196
Richfield, and Springfield townships, and within the municipal	197
corporations of Fairlawn, Lakemore, and Mogadore, in Summit	198
county.	199
The Alliance municipal court has jurisdiction within	200
Lexington, Marlboro, Paris, and Washington townships in Stark	201
county.	202
The Ashland municipal court has jurisdiction within	203
Ashland county.	204
The Ashtabula municipal court has jurisdiction within	205
Ashtabula, Plymouth, and Saybrook townships in Ashtabula county.	206
The Athens county municipal court has jurisdiction within	207
Athens county.	208
The Auglaize county municipal court has jurisdiction	209
within Auglaize county.	210
The Avon Lake municipal court has jurisdiction within the	211
municipal corporations of Avon and Sheffield in Lorain county.	212
The Barberton municipal court has jurisdiction within	213
Coventry, Franklin, and Green townships, within all of Copley	214
township except within the municipal corporation of Fairlawn,	215
and within the municipal corporations of Clinton and Norton, in	216
Summit county.	217
The Bedford municipal court has jurisdiction within the	218



municipal corporations of Bedford Heights, Oakwood, Glenwillow,	219
Solon, Bentleyville, Chagrin Falls, Moreland Hills, Orange,	220
Warrensville Heights, North Randall, and Woodmere, and within	221
Warrensville and Chagrin Falls townships, in Cuyahoga county.	222
The Bellefontaine municipal court has jurisdiction within	223
Logan county.	224
The Bellevue municipal court has jurisdiction within Lyme	225
and Sherman townships in Huron county and within York township	226
in Sandusky county.	227
The Berea municipal court has jurisdiction within the	228
municipal corporations of Strongsville, Middleburgh Heights,	229
Brook Park, Westview, and Olmsted Falls, and within Olmsted	230
township, in Cuyahoga county.	231
The Bowling Green municipal court has jurisdiction within	232
the municipal corporations of Bairdstown, Bloomdale, Bradner,	233
Custar, Cygnet, Grand Rapids, Haskins, Hoytville, Jerry City,	234
Milton Center, North Baltimore, Pemberville, Portage, Rising	235
Sun, Tontogany, Wayne, West Millgrove, and Weston, and within	236
Bloom, Center, Freedom, Grand Rapids, Henry, Jackson, Liberty,	237
Middleton, Milton, Montgomery, Plain, Portage, Washington,	238
Webster, and Weston townships in Wood county.	239
Beginning February 9, 2003, the Brown county municipal	240
court has jurisdiction within Brown county.	241
The Bryan municipal court has jurisdiction within Williams	242
county.	243
The Cambridge municipal court has jurisdiction within	244
Guernsey county.	245
The Campbell municipal court has jurisdiction within	246

Coitsville township in Mahoning county.	247
The Canton municipal court has jurisdiction within Canton,	248
Lake, Nimishillen, Osnaburg, Pike, Plain, and Sandy townships in	249
Stark county.	250
The Carroll county municipal court has jurisdiction within	251
Carroll county.	252
The Celina municipal court has jurisdiction within Mercer	253
county.	254
The Champaign county municipal court has jurisdiction	255
within Champaign county.	256
The Chardon municipal court has jurisdiction within Geauga	257
county.	258
The Chillicothe municipal court has jurisdiction within	259
Ross county.	260
The Circleville municipal court has jurisdiction within	261
Pickaway county.	262
The Clark county municipal court has jurisdiction within	263
Clark county.	264
The Clermont county municipal court has jurisdiction	265
within Clermont county.	266
The Cleveland municipal court has jurisdiction within the	267
municipal corporation of Bratenahl in Cuyahoga county.	268
Beginning July 1, 1992, the Clinton county municipal court	269
has jurisdiction within Clinton county.	270
The Columbiana county municipal court has jurisdiction	271
within all of Columbiana county except within the municipal	272
corporation of East Liverpool and except within Liverpool and	273

St. Clair townships.	274
The Coshocton municipal court has jurisdiction within	275
Coshocton county.	276
The Crawford county municipal court has jurisdiction	277
within Crawford county.	278
Until December 31, 2008, the Cuyahoga Falls municipal	279
court has jurisdiction within Boston, Hudson, Northfield Center,	280
Sagamore Hills, and Twinsburg townships, and within the	281
municipal corporations of Boston Heights, Hudson, Munroe Falls,	282
Northfield, Peninsula, Reminderville, Silver Lake, Stow,	283
Tallmadge, Twinsburg, and Macedonia, in Summit county.	284
Beginning January 1, 2005, the Darke county municipal	285
court has jurisdiction within Darke county except within the	286
municipal corporation of Bradford.	287
The Defiance municipal court has jurisdiction within	288
Defiance county.	289
The Delaware municipal court has jurisdiction within	290
Delaware county.	291
The East Liverpool municipal court has jurisdiction within	292
Liverpool and St. Clair townships in Columbiana county.	293
The Eaton municipal court has jurisdiction within Preble	294
county.	295
The Elyria municipal court has jurisdiction within the	296
municipal corporations of Grafton, LaGrange, and North	297
Ridgeville, and within Elyria, Carlisle, Eaton, Columbia,	298
Grafton, and LaGrange townships, in Lorain county.	299
Beginning January 1, 2008, the Erie county municipal court	300

has jurisdiction within Erie county except within the townships 301  
of Florence, Huron, Perkins, and Vermilion and the municipal 302  
corporations of Bay View, Castalia, Huron, Sandusky, and 303  
Vermilion. 304

The Fairborn municipal court has jurisdiction within the 305  
municipal corporation of Beavercreek and within Bath and 306  
Beavercreek townships in Greene county. 307

Beginning January 2, 2000, the Fairfield county municipal 308  
court has jurisdiction within Fairfield county. 309

The Findlay municipal court has jurisdiction within all of 310  
Hancock county except within Washington township. 311

The Franklin municipal court has jurisdiction within 312  
Franklin township in Warren county. 313

The Franklin county municipal court has jurisdiction 314  
within Franklin county. 315

The Fremont municipal court has jurisdiction within 316  
Ballville and Sandusky townships in Sandusky county. 317

The Gallipolis municipal court has jurisdiction within 318  
Gallia county. 319

The Garfield Heights municipal court has jurisdiction 320  
within the municipal corporations of Maple Heights, Walton 321  
Hills, Valley View, Cuyahoga Heights, Newburgh Heights, 322  
Independence, and Brecksville in Cuyahoga county. 323

The Girard municipal court has jurisdiction within 324  
Liberty, Vienna, and Hubbard townships in Trumbull county. 325

The Hamilton municipal court has jurisdiction within Ross 326  
and St. Clair townships in Butler county. 327

The Hamilton county municipal court has jurisdiction	328
within Hamilton county.	329
The Hardin county municipal court has jurisdiction within	330
Hardin county.	331
The Hillsboro municipal court has jurisdiction within all	332
of Highland county except within Madison township.	333
The Hocking county municipal court has jurisdiction within	334
Hocking county.	335
The Holmes county municipal court has jurisdiction within	336
Holmes county.	337
The Huron municipal court has jurisdiction within all of	338
Huron township in Erie county except within the municipal	339
corporation of Sandusky.	340
The Ironton municipal court has jurisdiction within Aid,	341
Decatur, Elizabeth, Hamilton, Lawrence, Upper, and Washington	342
townships in Lawrence county.	343
The Jackson county municipal court has jurisdiction within	344
Jackson county.	345
The Kettering municipal court has jurisdiction within the	346
municipal corporations of Centerville and Moraine, and within	347
Washington township, in Montgomery county.	348
Until January 2, 2000, the Lancaster municipal court has	349
jurisdiction within Fairfield county.	350
The Lawrence county municipal court has jurisdiction	351
within the townships of Fayette, Mason, Perry, Rome, Symmes,	352
Union, and Windsor in Lawrence county.	353
The Lebanon municipal court has jurisdiction within	354

Turtlecreek township in Warren county.	355
The Licking county municipal court has jurisdiction within Licking county.	356 357
The Lima municipal court has jurisdiction within Allen county.	358 359
The Lorain municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Sheffield Lake, and within Sheffield township, in Lorain county.	360 361 362
The Lyndhurst municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Mayfield Heights, Gates Mills, Mayfield, Highland Heights, and Richmond Heights in Cuyahoga county.	363 364 365 366
The Madison county municipal court has jurisdiction within Madison county.	367 368
The Mansfield municipal court has jurisdiction within Madison, Springfield, Sandusky, Franklin, Weller, Mifflin, Troy, Washington, Monroe, Perry, Jefferson, and Worthington townships, and within sections 35-36-31 and 32 of Butler township, in Richland county.	369 370 371 372 373
The Marietta municipal court has jurisdiction within Washington county.	374 375
The Marion municipal court has jurisdiction within Marion county.	376 377
The Marysville municipal court has jurisdiction within Union county.	378 379
The Mason municipal court has jurisdiction within Deerfield township in Warren county.	380 381

The Massillon municipal court has jurisdiction within 382  
Bethlehem, Perry, Sugar Creek, Tuscarawas, Lawrence, and Jackson 383  
townships in Stark county. 384

The Maumee municipal court has jurisdiction within the 385  
municipal corporations of Waterville and Whitehouse, within 386  
Waterville and Providence townships, and within those portions 387  
of Springfield, Monclova, and Swanton townships lying south of 388  
the northerly boundary line of the Ohio turnpike, in Lucas 389  
county. 390

The Medina municipal court has jurisdiction within the 391  
municipal corporations of Briarwood Beach, Brunswick, Chippewa- 392  
on-the-Lake, and Spencer and within the townships of Brunswick 393  
Hills, Chatham, Granger, Hinckley, Lafayette, Litchfield, 394  
Liverpool, Medina, Montville, Spencer, and York townships, in 395  
Medina county. 396

The Mentor municipal court has jurisdiction within the 397  
municipal corporation of Mentor-on-the-Lake in Lake county. 398

The Miami county municipal court has jurisdiction within 399  
Miami county and within the part of the municipal corporation of 400  
Bradford that is located in Darke county. 401

The Miamisburg municipal court has jurisdiction within the 402  
municipal corporations of Germantown and West Carrollton, and 403  
within German and Miami townships in Montgomery county. 404

The Middletown municipal court has jurisdiction within 405  
Madison township, and within all of Lemon township, except 406  
within the municipal corporation of Monroe, in Butler county. 407

Beginning July 1, 2010, the Montgomery county municipal 408  
court has jurisdiction within all of Montgomery county except 409  
for the municipal corporations of Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, 410

Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood,	411
Union, Vandalia, and West Carrollton and Butler, German,	412
Harrison, Miami, and Washington townships.	413
Beginning January 1, 2003, the Morrow county municipal	414
court has jurisdiction within Morrow county.	415
The Mount Vernon municipal court has jurisdiction within	416
Knox county.	417
The Napoleon municipal court has jurisdiction within Henry	418
county.	419
The New Philadelphia municipal court has jurisdiction	420
within the municipal corporation of Dover, and within Auburn,	421
Bucks, Fairfield, Goshen, Jefferson, Warren, York, Dover,	422
Franklin, Lawrence, Sandy, Sugarcreek, and Wayne townships in	423
Tuscarawas county.	424
The Newton Falls municipal court has jurisdiction within	425
Bristol, Bloomfield, Lordstown, Newton, Braceville, Southington,	426
Farmington, and Mesopotamia townships in Trumbull county.	427
The Niles municipal court has jurisdiction within the	428
municipal corporation of McDonald, and within Weathersfield	429
township in Trumbull county.	430
The Norwalk municipal court has jurisdiction within all of	431
Huron county except within the municipal corporation of Bellevue	432
and except within Lyme and Sherman townships.	433
The Oberlin municipal court has jurisdiction within the	434
municipal corporations of Amherst, Kipton, Rochester, South	435
Amherst, and Wellington, and within Henrietta, Russia, Camden,	436
Pittsfield, Brighton, Wellington, Penfield, Rochester, and	437
Huntington townships, and within all of Amherst township except	438



within the municipal corporation of Lorain, in Lorain county.	439
The Oregon municipal court has jurisdiction within the	440
municipal corporation of Harbor View, and within Jerusalem	441
township, in Lucas county, and north within Maumee Bay and Lake	442
Erie to the boundary line between Ohio and Michigan between the	443
easterly boundary of the court and the easterly boundary of the	444
Toledo municipal court.	445
The Ottawa county municipal court has jurisdiction within	446
Ottawa county.	447
The Painesville municipal court has jurisdiction within	448
Painesville, Perry, Leroy, Concord, and Madison townships in	449
Lake county.	450
The Parma municipal court has jurisdiction within the	451
municipal corporations of Parma Heights, Brooklyn, Linndale,	452
North Royalton, Broadview Heights, Seven Hills, and Brooklyn	453
Heights in Cuyahoga county.	454
<u>Beginning January 1, 2019, the Paulding county municipal</u>	455
<u>court has jurisdiction within Paulding county.</u>	456
The Perrysburg municipal court has jurisdiction within the	457
municipal corporations of Luckey, Millbury, Northwood, Rossford,	458
and Walbridge, and within Perrysburg, Lake, and Troy townships,	459
in Wood county.	460
The Portage county municipal court has jurisdiction within	461
Portage county.	462
The Portsmouth municipal court has jurisdiction within	463
Scioto county.	464
The Putnam county municipal court has jurisdiction within	465
Putnam county.	466

The Rocky River municipal court has jurisdiction within 467  
the municipal corporations of Bay Village, Westlake, Fairview 468  
Park, and North Olmsted, and within Riveredge township, in 469  
Cuyahoga county. 470

The Sandusky municipal court has jurisdiction within the 471  
municipal corporations of Castalia and Bay View, and within 472  
Perkins township, in Erie county. 473

Beginning January 1, 2013, the Sandusky county municipal 474  
court has jurisdiction within all of Sandusky county except 475  
within the municipal corporations of Bellevue and Fremont and 476  
Ballville, Sandusky, and York townships. 477

The Shaker Heights municipal court has jurisdiction within 478  
the municipal corporations of University Heights, Beachwood, 479  
Pepper Pike, and Hunting Valley in Cuyahoga county. 480

The Shelby municipal court has jurisdiction within Sharon, 481  
Jackson, Cass, Plymouth, and Blooming Grove townships, and 482  
within all of Butler township except sections 35-36-31 and 32, 483  
in Richland county. 484

The Sidney municipal court has jurisdiction within Shelby 485  
county. 486

Beginning January 1, 2009, the Stow municipal court has 487  
jurisdiction within Boston, Hudson, Northfield Center, Sagamore 488  
Hills, and Twinsburg townships, and within the municipal 489  
corporations of Boston Heights, Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Munroe 490  
Falls, Northfield, Peninsula, Reminderville, Silver Lake, Stow, 491  
Tallmadge, Twinsburg, and Macedonia, in Summit county. 492

The Struthers municipal court has jurisdiction within the 493  
municipal corporations of Lowellville, New Middleton, and 494  
Poland, and within Poland and Springfield townships in Mahoning 495

county.	496
The Sylvania municipal court has jurisdiction within the	497
municipal corporations of Berkey and Holland, and within	498
Sylvania, Richfield, Spencer, and Harding townships, and within	499
those portions of Swanton, Monclova, and Springfield townships	500
lying north of the northerly boundary line of the Ohio turnpike,	501
in Lucas county.	502
Beginning January 1, 2014, the Tiffin-Fostoria municipal	503
court has jurisdiction within Adams, Big Spring, Bloom, Clinton,	504
Eden, Hopewell, Jackson, Liberty, Loudon, Pleasant, Reed,	505
Scipio, Seneca, Thompson, and Venice townships in Seneca county,	506
within Washington township in Hancock county, and within Perry	507
township, except within the municipal corporation of West	508
Millgrove, in Wood county.	509
The Toledo municipal court has jurisdiction within	510
Washington township, and within the municipal corporation of	511
Ottawa Hills, in Lucas county.	512
The Upper Sandusky municipal court has jurisdiction within	513
Wyandot county.	514
The Vandalia municipal court has jurisdiction within the	515
municipal corporations of Clayton, Englewood, and Union, and	516
within Butler, Harrison, and Randolph townships, in Montgomery	517
county.	518
The Van Wert municipal court has jurisdiction within Van	519
Wert county.	520
The Vermilion municipal court has jurisdiction within the	521
townships of Vermilion and Florence in Erie county and within	522
all of Brownhelm township except within the municipal	523
corporation of Lorain, in Lorain county.	524

The Wadsworth municipal court has jurisdiction within the 525  
municipal corporations of Gloria Glens Park, Lodi, Seville, and 526  
Westfield Center, and within Guilford, Harrisville, Homer, 527  
Sharon, Wadsworth, and Westfield townships in Medina county. 528

The Warren municipal court has jurisdiction within Warren 529  
and Champion townships, and within all of Howland township 530  
except within the municipal corporation of Niles, in Trumbull 531  
county. 532

The Washington Court House municipal court has 533  
jurisdiction within Fayette county. 534

The Wayne county municipal court has jurisdiction within 535  
Wayne county. 536

The Willoughby municipal court has jurisdiction within the 537  
municipal corporations of Eastlake, Wickliffe, Willowick, 538  
Willoughby Hills, Kirtland, Kirtland Hills, Waite Hill, 539  
Timberlake, and Lakeline, and within Kirtland township, in Lake 540  
county. 541

Through June 30, 1992, the Wilmington municipal court has 542  
jurisdiction within Clinton county. 543

The Xenia municipal court has jurisdiction within 544  
Caesarcreek, Cedarville, Jefferson, Miami, New Jasper, Ross, 545  
Silvercreek, Spring Valley, Sugarcreek, and Xenia townships in 546  
Greene county. 547

(C) As used in this section: 548

(1) "Within a township" includes all land, including, but 549  
not limited to, any part of any municipal corporation, that is 550  
physically located within the territorial boundaries of that 551  
township, whether or not that land or municipal corporation is 552

governmentally a part of the township.	553
(2) "Within a municipal corporation" includes all land	554
within the territorial boundaries of the municipal corporation	555
and any townships that are coextensive with the municipal	556
corporation.	557
<b>Sec. 1901.03.</b> As used in this chapter:	558
(A) "Territory" means the geographical areas within which	559
municipal courts have jurisdiction as provided in sections	560
1901.01 and 1901.02 of the Revised Code.	561
(B) "Legislative authority" means the legislative	562
authority of the municipal corporation in which a municipal	563
court, other than a county-operated municipal court, is located,	564
and means the respective board of county commissioners of the	565
county in which a county-operated municipal court is located.	566
(C) "Chief executive" means the chief executive of the	567
municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other than a	568
county-operated municipal court, is located, and means the	569
respective chairman of the board of county commissioners of the	570
county in which a county-operated municipal court is located.	571
(D) "City treasury" means the treasury of the municipal	572
corporation in which a municipal court, other than a county-	573
operated municipal court, is located.	574
(E) "City treasurer" means the treasurer of the municipal	575
corporation in which a municipal court, other than a county-	576
operated municipal court, is located.	577
(F) "County-operated municipal court" means the Auglaize	578
county, Brown county, Carroll county, Clermont county,	579
Columbiana county, Crawford county, Darke county, Erie county,	580

Hamilton county, Hocking county, Holmes county, Jackson county, 581  
Lawrence county, Madison county, Miami county, Montgomery 582  
county, Morrow county, Ottawa county, Portage county, Putnam 583  
county, or Wayne county municipal court and, effective January 584  
1, ~~2013~~ 2019, also includes the ~~Sandusky~~ Paulding county 585  
municipal court. 586

(G) "A municipal corporation in which a municipal court is 587  
located" includes each municipal corporation named in section 588  
1901.01 of the Revised Code, but does not include one in which a 589  
judge sits pursuant to any provision of section 1901.021 of the 590  
Revised Code except division (M) of that section. 591

**Sec. 1901.07.** (A) All municipal court judges shall be 592  
elected on the nonpartisan ballot for terms of six years. In a 593  
municipal court in which only one judge is to be elected in any 594  
one year, that judge's term commences on the first day of 595  
January after the election. In a municipal court in which two or 596  
more judges are to be elected in any one year, their terms 597  
commence on successive days beginning the first day of January, 598  
following the election, unless otherwise provided by section 599  
1901.08 of the Revised Code. 600

(B) All candidates for municipal court judge may be 601  
nominated either by nominating petition or by primary election, 602  
except that if the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends 603  
only to the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in 604  
which the court is located and that municipal corporation 605  
operates under a charter, all candidates shall be nominated in 606  
the same manner provided in the charter for the office of 607  
municipal court judge or, if no specific provisions are made in 608  
the charter for the office of municipal court judge, in the same 609  
manner as the charter prescribes for the nomination and election 610

of the legislative authority of the municipal corporation. 611

If the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends beyond 612  
the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 613  
located or if the jurisdiction of the court does not extend 614  
beyond the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in 615  
which it is located and no charter provisions apply, all 616  
candidates for party nomination to the office of municipal court 617  
judge shall file a declaration of candidacy and petition not 618  
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 619  
primary election in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 of 620  
the Revised Code. The petition shall conform to the requirements 621  
provided for those petitions of candidacy contained in section 622  
3513.05 of the Revised Code, except that the petition shall be 623  
signed by at least fifty electors of the territory of the court. 624  
If no valid declaration of candidacy is filed for nomination as 625  
a candidate of a political party for election to the office of 626  
municipal court judge, or if the number of persons filing the 627  
declarations of candidacy for nominations as candidates of one 628  
political party for election to the office does not exceed the 629  
number of candidates that that party is entitled to nominate as 630  
its candidates for election to the office, no primary election 631  
shall be held for the purpose of nominating candidates of that 632  
party for election to the office, and the candidates shall be 633  
issued certificates of nomination in the manner set forth in 634  
section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 635

If the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends beyond 636  
the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 637  
located or if the jurisdiction of the court does not extend 638  
beyond the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in 639  
which it is located and no charter provisions apply, nonpartisan 640  
candidates for the office of municipal court judge shall file 641

nominating petitions not later than four p.m. of the day before 642  
the day of the primary election in the form prescribed by 643  
section 3513.261 of the Revised Code. The petition shall conform 644  
to the requirements provided for those petitions of candidacy 645  
contained in section 3513.257 of the Revised Code, except that 646  
the petition shall be signed by at least fifty electors of the 647  
territory of the court. 648

The nominating petition or declaration of candidacy for a 649  
municipal court judge shall contain a designation of the term 650  
for which the candidate seeks election. At the following regular 651  
municipal election, the candidacies of the judges nominated 652  
shall be submitted to the electors of the territory on a 653  
nonpartisan, judicial ballot in the same manner as provided for 654  
judges of the court of common pleas, except that, in a municipal 655  
corporation operating under a charter, all candidates for 656  
municipal court judge shall be elected in conformity with the 657  
charter if provisions are made in the charter for the election 658  
of municipal court judges. 659

(C) Notwithstanding divisions (A) and (B) of this section, 660  
in the following municipal courts, the judges shall be nominated 661  
and elected as follows: 662

(1) In the Cleveland municipal court, the judges shall be 663  
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 664  
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be 665  
in the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and 666  
within the time prescribed by the charter of the city of 667  
Cleveland for filing petitions of candidates for municipal 668  
offices. Each elector shall have the right to sign petitions for 669  
as many candidates as are to be elected, but no more. The judges 670  
shall be elected by the electors of the territory of the court 671



in the manner provided by law for the election of judges of the 672  
court of common pleas. 673

(2) In the Toledo municipal court, the judges shall be 674  
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 675  
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be 676  
in the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and 677  
within the time prescribed by the charter of the city of Toledo 678  
for filing nominating petitions for city council. Each elector 679  
shall have the right to sign petitions for as many candidates as 680  
are to be elected, but no more. The judges shall be elected by 681  
the electors of the territory of the court in the manner 682  
provided by law for the election of judges of the court of 683  
common pleas. 684

(3) In the Akron municipal court, the judges shall be 685  
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 686  
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be 687  
in statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and within 688  
the time prescribed by the charter of the city of Akron for 689  
filing nominating petitions of candidates for municipal offices. 690  
Each elector shall have the right to sign petitions for as many 691  
candidates as are to be elected, but no more. The judges shall 692  
be elected by the electors of the territory of the court in the 693  
manner provided by law for the election of judges of the court 694  
of common pleas. 695

(4) In the Hamilton county municipal court, the judges 696  
shall be nominated only by petition. The petition shall be 697  
signed by at least one hundred electors of the judicial district 698  
of the county from which the candidate seeks election, which 699  
petitions shall be signed and filed not later than four p.m. of 700  
the day before the day of the primary election in the form 701

prescribed by section 3513.261 of the Revised Code. Unless 702  
otherwise provided in this section, the petition shall conform 703  
to the requirements provided for nominating petitions in section 704  
3513.257 of the Revised Code. The judges shall be elected by the 705  
electors of the relative judicial district of the county at the 706  
regular municipal election and in the manner provided by law for 707  
the election of judges of the court of common pleas. 708

(5) In the Franklin county municipal court, the judges 709  
shall be nominated only by petition. The petition shall be 710  
signed by at least fifty electors of the territory of the court. 711  
The petition shall be in the statutory form and shall be filed 712  
in the manner and within the time prescribed by the charter of 713  
the city of Columbus for filing petitions of candidates for 714  
municipal offices. The judges shall be elected by the electors 715  
of the territory of the court in the manner provided by law for 716  
the election of judges of the court of common pleas. 717

(6) In the Auglaize, Brown, Carroll, Clermont, Crawford, 718  
Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Madison, Miami, Morrow, Paulding, 719  
Putnam, Sandusky, and Wayne county municipal courts, the judges 720  
shall be nominated only by petition. The petitions shall be 721  
signed by at least fifty electors of the territory of the court 722  
and shall conform to the provisions of this section. 723

(D) In the Portage county municipal court, the judges 724  
shall be nominated either by nominating petition or by primary 725  
election, as provided in division (B) of this section. 726

(E) As used in this section, as to an election for either 727  
a full or an unexpired term, "the territory within the 728  
jurisdiction of the court" means that territory as it will be on 729  
the first day of January after the election. 730

**Sec. 1901.08.** The number of, and the time for election of, 731  
judges of the following municipal courts and the beginning of 732  
their terms shall be as follows: 733

In the Akron municipal court, two full-time judges shall 734  
be elected in 1951, two full-time judges shall be elected in 735  
1953, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, and one 736  
full-time judge shall be elected in 1975. 737

In the Alliance municipal court, one full-time judge shall 738  
be elected in 1953. 739

In the Ashland municipal court, one full-time judge shall 740  
be elected in 1951. 741

In the Ashtabula municipal court, one full-time judge 742  
shall be elected in 1953. 743

In the Athens county municipal court, one full-time judge 744  
shall be elected in 1967. 745

In the Auglaize county municipal court, one full-time 746  
judge shall be elected in 1975. 747

In the Avon Lake municipal court, one full-time judge 748  
shall be elected in 2017. On and after ~~the effective date of~~ 749  
~~this amendment~~ September 15, 2014, the part-time judge of the 750  
Avon Lake municipal court who was elected in 2011 shall serve as 751  
a full-time judge of the court until the end of that judge's 752  
term on December 31, 2017. 753

In the Barberton municipal court, one full-time judge 754  
shall be elected in 1969, and one full-time judge shall be 755  
elected in 1971. 756

In the Bedford municipal court, one full-time judge shall 757  
be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 758

1979.	759
In the Bellefontaine municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1993.	760 761
In the Bellevue municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	762 763
In the Berea municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2005.	764 765
In the Bowling Green municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1983.	766 767
In the Brown county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2005. Beginning February 9, 2003, the part-time judge of the Brown county county court that existed prior to that date whose term commenced on January 2, 2001, shall serve as the full-time judge of the Brown county municipal court until December 31, 2005.	768 769 770 771 772 773
In the Bryan municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1965.	774 775
In the Cambridge municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	776 777
In the Campbell municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1963.	778 779
In the Canton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1969, and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1977.	780 781 782
In the Carroll county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2009. Beginning January 1, 2007, the judge elected in 2006 to the part-time judgeship of the Carroll county	783 784 785

county court that existed prior to that date shall serve as the 786  
full-time judge of the Carroll county municipal court until 787  
December 31, 2009. 788

In the Celina municipal court, one full-time judge shall 789  
be elected in 1957. 790

In the Champaign county municipal court, one full-time 791  
judge shall be elected in 2001. 792

In the Chardon municipal court, one full-time judge shall 793  
be elected in 1963. 794

In the Chillicothe municipal court, one full-time judge 795  
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be 796  
elected in 1977. 797

In the Circleville municipal court, one full-time judge 798  
shall be elected in 1953. 799

In the Clark county municipal court, one full-time judge 800  
shall be elected in 1989, and two full-time judges shall be 801  
elected in 1991. The full-time judges of the Springfield 802  
municipal court who were elected in 1983 and 1985 shall serve as 803  
the judges of the Clark county municipal court from January 1, 804  
1988, until the end of their respective terms. 805

In the Clermont county municipal court, two full-time 806  
judges shall be elected in 1991, and one full-time judge shall 807  
be elected in 1999. 808

In the Cleveland municipal court, six full-time judges 809  
shall be elected in 1975, three full-time judges shall be 810  
elected in 1953, and four full-time judges shall be elected in 811  
1955. 812

In the Cleveland Heights municipal court, one full-time 813

judge shall be elected in 1957. 814

In the Clinton county municipal court, one full-time judge 815  
shall be elected in 1997. The full-time judge of the Wilmington 816  
municipal court who was elected in 1991 shall serve as the judge 817  
of the Clinton county municipal court from July 1, 1992, until 818  
the end of that judge's term on December 31, 1997. 819

In the Columbiana county municipal court, two full-time 820  
judges shall be elected in 2001. 821

In the Conneaut municipal court, one full-time judge shall 822  
be elected in 1953. 823

In the Coshocton municipal court, one full-time judge 824  
shall be elected in 1951. 825

In the Crawford county municipal court, one full-time 826  
judge shall be elected in 1977. 827

In the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, one full-time judge 828  
shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be 829  
elected in 1967. Effective December 31, 2008, the Cuyahoga Falls 830  
municipal court shall cease to exist; however, the judges of the 831  
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court who were elected pursuant to this 832  
section in 2003 and 2007 for terms beginning on January 1, 2004, 833  
and January 1, 2008, respectively, shall serve as full-time 834  
judges of the Stow municipal court until December 31, 2009, and 835  
December 31, 2013, respectively. 836

In the Darke county municipal court, one full-time judge 837  
shall be elected in 2005. Beginning January 1, 2005, the part- 838  
time judge of the Darke county county court that existed prior 839  
to that date whose term began on January 1, 2001, shall serve as 840  
the full-time judge of the Darke county municipal court until 841  
December 31, 2005. 842

In the Dayton municipal court, three full-time judges 843  
shall be elected in 1987, their terms to commence on successive 844  
days beginning on the first day of January next after their 845  
election, and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1955, 846  
their terms to commence on successive days beginning on the 847  
second day of January next after their election. 848

In the Defiance municipal court, one full-time judge shall 849  
be elected in 1957. 850

In the Delaware municipal court, one full-time judge shall 851  
be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 852  
2007. 853

In the East Cleveland municipal court, one full-time judge 854  
shall be elected in 1957. 855

In the East Liverpool municipal court, one full-time judge 856  
shall be elected in 1953. 857

In the Eaton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 858  
elected in 1973. 859

In the Elyria municipal court, one full-time judge shall 860  
be elected in 1955, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 861  
1973. 862

In the Erie county municipal court, one full-time judge 863  
shall be elected in 2007. 864

In the Euclid municipal court, one full-time judge shall 865  
be elected in 1951. 866

In the Fairborn municipal court, one full-time judge shall 867  
be elected in 1977. 868

In the Fairfield county municipal court, one full-time 869

judge shall be elected in 2003, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 2005.	870 871
In the Fairfield municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1989.	872 873
In the Findlay municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1955, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1993.	874 875 876
In the Franklin municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	877 878
In the Franklin county municipal court, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1969, three full-time judges shall be elected in 1971, seven full-time judges shall be elected in 1967, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1991, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1997.	879 880 881 882 883 884
In the Fremont municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975.	885 886
In the Gallipolis municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1981.	887 888
In the Garfield Heights municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1981.	889 890 891
In the Girard municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1963.	892 893
In the Hamilton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953.	894 895
In the Hamilton county municipal court, five full-time	896



judges shall be elected in 1967, five full-time judges shall be 897  
elected in 1971, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1981, 898  
and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1983. All terms of 899  
judges of the Hamilton county municipal court shall commence on 900  
the first day of January next after their election, except that 901  
the terms of the additional judges to be elected in 1981 shall 902  
commence on January 2, 1982, and January 3, 1982, and that the 903  
terms of the additional judges to be elected in 1983 shall 904  
commence on January 4, 1984, and January 5, 1984. 905

In the Hardin county municipal court, one part-time judge 906  
shall be elected in 1989. 907

In the Hillsboro municipal court, one full-time judge 908  
shall be elected in 2011. On and after December 30, 2008, the 909  
part-time judge of the Hillsboro municipal court who was elected 910  
in 2005 shall serve as a full-time judge of the court until the 911  
end of that judge's term on December 31, 2011. 912

In the Hocking county municipal court, one full-time judge 913  
shall be elected in 1977. 914

In the Holmes county municipal court, one full-time judge 915  
shall be elected in 2007. Beginning January 1, 2007, the part- 916  
time judge of the Holmes county county court that existed prior 917  
to that date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall 918  
serve as the full-time judge of the Holmes county municipal 919  
court until December 31, 2007. 920

In the Huron municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 921  
elected in 1967. 922

In the Ironton municipal court, one full-time judge shall 923  
be elected in 1951. 924

In the Jackson county municipal court, one full-time judge 925

shall be elected in 2001. On and after March 31, 1997, the part- 926  
time judge of the Jackson county municipal court who was elected 927  
in 1995 shall serve as a full-time judge of the court until the 928  
end of that judge's term on December 31, 2001. 929

In the Kettering municipal court, one full-time judge 930  
shall be elected in 1971, and one full-time judge shall be 931  
elected in 1975. 932

In the Lakewood municipal court, one full-time judge shall 933  
be elected in 1955. 934

In the Lancaster municipal court, one full-time judge 935  
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be 936  
elected in 1979. Beginning January 2, 2000, the full-time judges 937  
of the Lancaster municipal court who were elected in 1997 and 938  
1999 shall serve as judges of the Fairfield county municipal 939  
court until the end of those judges' terms. 940

In the Lawrence county municipal court, one part-time 941  
judge shall be elected in 1981. 942

In the Lebanon municipal court, one part-time judge shall 943  
be elected in 1955. 944

In the Licking county municipal court, one full-time judge 945  
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be 946  
elected in 1971. 947

In the Lima municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 948  
elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 949  
1967. 950

In the Lorain municipal court, one full-time judge shall 951  
be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 952  
1973. 953

In the Lyndhurst municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	954 955
In the Madison county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1981.	956 957
In the Mansfield municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1969.	958 959 960
In the Marietta municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	961 962
In the Marion municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	963 964
In the Marysville municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2011. On and after January 18, 2007, the part-time judge of the Marysville municipal court who was elected in 2005 shall serve as a full-time judge of the court until the end of that judge's term on December 31, 2011.	965 966 967 968 969
In the Mason municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1965.	970 971
In the Massillon municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	972 973 974
In the Maumee municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1963.	975 976
In the Medina municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	977 978
In the Mentor municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	979 980

In the Miami county municipal court, one full-time judge 981  
shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be 982  
elected in 1979. 983

In the Miamisburg municipal court, one full-time judge 984  
shall be elected in 1951. 985

In the Middletown municipal court, one full-time judge 986  
shall be elected in 1953. 987

In the Montgomery county municipal court: 988

One judge shall be elected in 2011 to a part-time 989  
judgeship for a term to begin on January 1, 2012. If any one of 990  
the other judgeships of the court becomes vacant and is 991  
abolished after July 1, 2010, this judgeship shall become a 992  
full-time judgeship on that date. If only one other judgeship of 993  
the court becomes vacant and is abolished as of December 31, 994  
2021, this judgeship shall be abolished as of that date. 995  
Beginning July 1, 2010, the part-time judge of the Montgomery 996  
county county court that existed before that date whose term 997  
commenced on January 1, 2005, shall serve as a part-time judge 998  
of the Montgomery county municipal court until December 31, 999  
2011. 1000

One judge shall be elected in 2011 to a full-time 1001  
judgeship for a term to begin on January 2, 2012, and this 1002  
judgeship shall be abolished on January 1, 2016. Beginning July 1003  
1, 2010, the part-time judge of the Montgomery county county 1004  
court that existed before that date whose term commenced on 1005  
January 2, 2005, shall serve as a full-time judge of the 1006  
Montgomery county municipal court until January 1, 2012. 1007

One judge shall be elected in 2013 to a full-time 1008  
judgeship for a term to begin on January 2, 2014. Beginning July 1009

1, 2010, the part-time judge of the Montgomery county county 1010  
court that existed before that date whose term commenced on 1011  
January 2, 2007, shall serve as a full-time judge of the 1012  
Montgomery county municipal court until January 1, 2014. 1013

One judge shall be elected in 2013 to a judgeship for a 1014  
term to begin on January 1, 2014. If no other judgeship of the 1015  
court becomes vacant and is abolished by January 1, 2014, this 1016  
judgeship shall be a part-time judgeship. When one or more of 1017  
the other judgeships of the court becomes vacant and is 1018  
abolished after July 1, 2010, this judgeship shall become a 1019  
full-time judgeship. Beginning July 1, 2010, the part-time judge 1020  
of the Montgomery county county court that existed before that 1021  
date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall serve as 1022  
this judge of the Montgomery county municipal court until 1023  
December 31, 2013. 1024

If any one of the judgeships of the court becomes vacant 1025  
before December 31, 2021, that judgeship is abolished on the 1026  
date that it becomes vacant, and the other judges of the court 1027  
shall be or serve as full-time judges. The abolishment of 1028  
judgeships for the Montgomery county municipal court shall cease 1029  
when the court has two full-time judgeships. 1030

In the Morrow county municipal court, one full-time judge 1031  
shall be elected in 2005. Beginning January 1, 2003, the part- 1032  
time judge of the Morrow county county court that existed prior 1033  
to that date shall serve as the full-time judge of the Morrow 1034  
county municipal court until December 31, 2005. 1035

In the Mount Vernon municipal court, one full-time judge 1036  
shall be elected in 1951. 1037

In the Napoleon municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1038

be elected in 2005. 1039

In the New Philadelphia municipal court, one full-time 1040  
judge shall be elected in 1975. 1041

In the Newton Falls municipal court, one full-time judge 1042  
shall be elected in 1963. 1043

In the Niles municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1044  
elected in 1951. 1045

In the Norwalk municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1046  
be elected in 1975. 1047

In the Oakwood municipal court, one part-time judge shall 1048  
be elected in 1953. 1049

In the Oberlin municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1050  
be elected in 1989. 1051

In the Oregon municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1052  
be elected in 1963. 1053

In the Ottawa county municipal court, one full-time judge 1054  
shall be elected in 1995, and the full-time judge of the Port 1055  
Clinton municipal court who is elected in 1989 shall serve as 1056  
the judge of the Ottawa county municipal court from February 4, 1057  
1994, until the end of that judge's term. 1058

In the Painesville municipal court, one full-time judge 1059  
shall be elected in 1951. 1060

In the Parma municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1061  
elected in 1951, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, 1062  
and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971. 1063

In the Paulding county municipal court to be established 1064  
on January 1, 2019, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1065

<u>2018.</u>	1066
In the Perrysburg municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1977.	1067 1068
In the Portage county municipal court, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1979, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	1069 1070 1071
In the Port Clinton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953. The full-time judge of the Port Clinton municipal court who is elected in 1989 shall serve as the judge of the Ottawa county municipal court from February 4, 1994, until the end of that judge's term.	1072 1073 1074 1075 1076
In the Portsmouth municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1985.	1077 1078 1079
In the Putnam county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2011. Beginning January 1, 2011, the part-time judge of the Putnam county county court that existed prior to that date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall serve as the full-time judge of the Putnam county municipal court until December 31, 2011.	1080 1081 1082 1083 1084 1085
In the Rocky River municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	1086 1087 1088
In the Sandusky municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953.	1089 1090
In the Sandusky county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2013. Beginning on January 1, 2013, the two part-time judges of the Sandusky county county court	1091 1092 1093

that existed prior to that date shall serve as part-time judges 1094  
of the Sandusky county municipal court until December 31, 2013. 1095  
If either judgeship becomes vacant before January 1, 2014, that 1096  
judgeship is abolished on the date it becomes vacant, and the 1097  
person who holds the other judgeship shall serve as the full- 1098  
time judge of the Sandusky county municipal court until December 1099  
31, 2013. 1100

In the Shaker Heights municipal court, one full-time judge 1101  
shall be elected in 1957. 1102

In the Shelby municipal court, one part-time judge shall 1103  
be elected in 1957. 1104

In the Sidney municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1105  
be elected in 1995. 1106

In the South Euclid municipal court, one full-time judge 1107  
shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected in 1993, 1108  
whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve until 1109  
December 31, 1999, and the office of that judge is abolished on 1110  
January 1, 2000. 1111

In the Springfield municipal court, two full-time judges 1112  
shall be elected in 1985, and one full-time judge shall be 1113  
elected in 1983, all of whom shall serve as the judges of the 1114  
Springfield municipal court through December 31, 1987, and as 1115  
the judges of the Clark county municipal court from January 1, 1116  
1988, until the end of their respective terms. 1117

In the Steubenville municipal court, one full-time judge 1118  
shall be elected in 1953. 1119

In the Stow municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1120  
elected in 2009, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1121  
2013. Beginning January 1, 2009, the judge of the Cuyahoga Falls 1122



municipal court that existed prior to that date whose term 1123  
commenced on January 1, 2008, shall serve as a full-time judge 1124  
of the Stow municipal court until December 31, 2013. Beginning 1125  
January 1, 2009, the judge of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court 1126  
that existed prior to that date whose term commenced on January 1127  
1, 2004, shall serve as a full-time judge of the Stow municipal 1128  
court until December 31, 2009. 1129

In the Struthers municipal court, one part-time judge 1130  
shall be elected in 1963. 1131

In the Sylvania municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1132  
be elected in 1963. 1133

In the Tiffin-Fostoria municipal court, one full-time 1134  
judge shall be elected in 2013. 1135

In the Toledo municipal court, two full-time judges shall 1136  
be elected in 1971, four full-time judges shall be elected in 1137  
1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973. 1138

In the Upper Sandusky municipal court, one full-time judge 1139  
shall be elected in 2011. The part-time judge elected in 2005, 1140  
whose term commenced on January 1, 2006, shall serve as a full- 1141  
time judge on and after January 1, 2008, until the expiration of 1142  
that judge's term on December 31, 2011, and the office of that 1143  
judge is abolished on January 1, 2012. 1144

In the Vandalia municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1145  
be elected in 1959. 1146

In the Van Wert municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1147  
be elected in 1957. 1148

In the Vermilion municipal court, one part-time judge 1149  
shall be elected in 1965. 1150

In the Wadsworth municipal court, one full-time judge 1151  
shall be elected in 1981. 1152

In the Warren municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1153  
be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1154  
1971. 1155

In the Washington Court House municipal court, one full- 1156  
time judge shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected 1157  
in 1993, whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve 1158  
until December 31, 1999, and the office of that judge is 1159  
abolished on January 1, 2000. 1160

In the Wayne county municipal court, one full-time judge 1161  
shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be 1162  
elected in 1979. 1163

In the Willoughby municipal court, one full-time judge 1164  
shall be elected in 1951. 1165

In the Wilmington municipal court, one full-time judge 1166  
shall be elected in 1991, who shall serve as the judge of the 1167  
Wilmington municipal court through June 30, 1992, and as the 1168  
judge of the Clinton county municipal court from July 1, 1992, 1169  
until the end of that judge's term on December 31, 1997. 1170

In the Xenia municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1171  
elected in 1977. 1172

In the Youngstown municipal court, one full-time judge 1173  
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be 1174  
elected in 2013. 1175

In the Zanesville municipal court, one full-time judge 1176  
shall be elected in 1953. 1177

**Sec. 1901.31.** The clerk and deputy clerks of a municipal 1178

court shall be selected, be compensated, give bond, and have 1179  
powers and duties as follows: 1180

(A) There shall be a clerk of the court who is appointed 1181  
or elected as follows: 1182

(1) (a) Except in the Akron, Barberton, Toledo, Hamilton 1183  
county, Miami county, Montgomery county, Portage county, and 1184  
Wayne county municipal courts and through December 31, 2008, the 1185  
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, if the population of the 1186  
territory equals or exceeds one hundred thousand at the regular 1187  
municipal election immediately preceding the expiration of the 1188  
term of the present clerk, the clerk shall be nominated and 1189  
elected by the qualified electors of the territory in the manner 1190  
that is provided for the nomination and election of judges in 1191  
section 1901.07 of the Revised Code. 1192

The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of six 1193  
years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1194  
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1195  
successor is elected and qualified. 1196

(b) In the Hamilton county municipal court, the clerk of 1197  
courts of Hamilton county shall be the clerk of the municipal 1198  
court and may appoint an assistant clerk who shall receive the 1199  
compensation, payable out of the treasury of Hamilton county in 1200  
semimonthly installments, that the board of county commissioners 1201  
prescribes. The clerk of courts of Hamilton county, acting as 1202  
the clerk of the Hamilton county municipal court and assuming 1203  
the duties of that office, shall receive compensation at one- 1204  
fourth the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of 1205  
common pleas as determined in accordance with the population of 1206  
the county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 1207  
of the Revised Code. This compensation shall be paid from the 1208

county treasury in semimonthly installments and is in addition 1209  
to the annual compensation that is received for the performance 1210  
of the duties of the clerk of courts of Hamilton county, as 1211  
provided in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. 1212

(c) In the Portage county and Wayne county municipal 1213  
courts, the clerks of courts of Portage county and Wayne county 1214  
shall be the clerks, respectively, of the Portage county and 1215  
Wayne county municipal courts and may appoint a chief deputy 1216  
clerk for each branch that is established pursuant to section 1217  
1901.311 of the Revised Code and assistant clerks as the judges 1218  
of the municipal court determine are necessary, all of whom 1219  
shall receive the compensation that the legislative authority 1220  
prescribes. The clerks of courts of Portage county and Wayne 1221  
county, acting as the clerks of the Portage county and Wayne 1222  
county municipal courts and assuming the duties of these 1223  
offices, shall receive compensation payable from the county 1224  
treasury in semimonthly installments at one-fourth the rate that 1225  
is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas as 1226  
determined in accordance with the population of the county and 1227  
the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised 1228  
Code. 1229

(d) In the Montgomery county and Miami county municipal 1230  
courts, the clerks of courts of Montgomery county and Miami 1231  
county shall be the clerks, respectively, of the Montgomery 1232  
county and Miami county municipal courts. The clerks of courts 1233  
of Montgomery county and Miami county, acting as the clerks of 1234  
the Montgomery county and Miami county municipal courts and 1235  
assuming the duties of these offices, shall receive compensation 1236  
at one-fourth the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of 1237  
courts of common pleas as determined in accordance with the 1238  
population of the county and the rates set forth in sections 1239

325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. This compensation shall 1240  
be paid from the county treasury in semimonthly installments and 1241  
is in addition to the annual compensation that is received for 1242  
the performance of the duties of the clerks of courts of 1243  
Montgomery county and Miami county, as provided in sections 1244  
325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. 1245

(e) Except as otherwise provided in division (A) (1) (e) of 1246  
this section, in the Akron municipal court, candidates for 1247  
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated 1248  
by primary election. The primary election shall be held on the 1249  
day specified in the charter of the city of Akron for the 1250  
nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary 1251  
provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, 1252  
the declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan 1253  
candidates and the nominating petitions of independent 1254  
candidates for the office of clerk of the Akron municipal court 1255  
shall be signed by at least fifty qualified electors of the 1256  
territory of the court. 1257

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1258  
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1259  
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1260  
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1261  
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1262  
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1263  
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1264  
Revised Code. 1265

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed 1266  
by any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular 1267  
political party for election to the office of clerk of the Akron 1268  
municipal court, a primary election shall not be held for the 1269

purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for election to 1270  
that office. If only one person files a valid declaration of 1271  
candidacy and petition for nomination as a candidate of a 1272  
particular political party for election to that office, a 1273  
primary election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating 1274  
a candidate of that party for election to that office, and the 1275  
candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the 1276  
manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1277

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1278  
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of 1279  
clerk of the Akron municipal court shall contain a designation 1280  
of the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the 1281  
following regular municipal election, all candidates for the 1282  
office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1283  
territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1284  
1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of 1285  
the court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of 1286  
six years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1287  
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1288  
successor is elected and qualified. 1289

(f) Except as otherwise provided in division (A) (1) (f) of 1290  
this section, in the Barberton municipal court, candidates for 1291  
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated 1292  
by primary election. The primary election shall be held on the 1293  
day specified in the charter of the city of Barberton for the 1294  
nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary 1295  
provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, 1296  
the declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan 1297  
candidates and the nominating petitions of independent 1298  
candidates for the office of clerk of the Barberton municipal 1299  
court shall be signed by at least fifty qualified electors of 1300

the territory of the court. 1301

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1302  
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1303  
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1304  
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1305  
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1306  
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1307  
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1308  
Revised Code. 1309

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed 1310  
by any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular 1311  
political party for election to the office of clerk of the 1312  
Barberton municipal court, a primary election shall not be held 1313  
for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 1314  
election to that office. If only one person files a valid 1315  
declaration of candidacy and petition for nomination as a 1316  
candidate of a particular political party for election to that 1317  
office, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 1318  
nominating a candidate of that party for election to that 1319  
office, and the candidate shall be issued a certificate of 1320  
nomination in the manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the 1321  
Revised Code. 1322

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1323  
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of 1324  
clerk of the Barberton municipal court shall contain a 1325  
designation of the term for which the candidate seeks election. 1326  
At the following regular municipal election, all candidates for 1327  
the office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1328  
territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1329  
1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of 1330

the court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of 1331  
six years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1332  
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1333  
successor is elected and qualified. 1334

(g) (i) Through December 31, 2008, except as otherwise 1335  
provided in division (A) (1) (g) (i) of this section, in the 1336  
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, candidates for election to the 1337  
office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by primary 1338  
election. The primary election shall be held on the day 1339  
specified in the charter of the city of Cuyahoga Falls for the 1340  
nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary 1341  
provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, 1342  
the declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan 1343  
candidates and the nominating petitions of independent 1344  
candidates for the office of clerk of the Cuyahoga Falls 1345  
municipal court shall be signed by at least fifty qualified 1346  
electors of the territory of the court. 1347

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1348  
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1349  
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1350  
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1351  
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1352  
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1353  
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1354  
Revised Code. 1355

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed 1356  
by any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular 1357  
political party for election to the office of clerk of the 1358  
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, a primary election shall not be 1359  
held for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 1360



election to that office. If only one person files a valid 1361  
declaration of candidacy and petition for nomination as a 1362  
candidate of a particular political party for election to that 1363  
office, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 1364  
nominating a candidate of that party for election to that 1365  
office, and the candidate shall be issued a certificate of 1366  
nomination in the manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the 1367  
Revised Code. 1368

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1369  
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of 1370  
clerk of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall contain a 1371  
designation of the term for which the candidate seeks election. 1372  
At the following regular municipal election, all candidates for 1373  
the office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1374  
territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1375  
1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of 1376  
the court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of 1377  
six years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1378  
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1379  
successor is elected and qualified. 1380

(ii) Division (A) (1) (g) (i) of this section shall have no 1381  
effect after December 31, 2008. 1382

(h) Except as otherwise provided in division (A) (1) (h) of 1383  
this section, in the Toledo municipal court, candidates for 1384  
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated 1385  
by primary election. The primary election shall be held on the 1386  
day specified in the charter of the city of Toledo for the 1387  
nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary 1388  
provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, 1389  
the declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan 1390

candidates and the nominating petitions of independent 1391  
candidates for the office of clerk of the Toledo municipal court 1392  
shall be signed by at least fifty qualified electors of the 1393  
territory of the court. 1394

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1395  
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1396  
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1397  
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1398  
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1399  
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1400  
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1401  
Revised Code. 1402

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed 1403  
by any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular 1404  
political party for election to the office of clerk of the 1405  
Toledo municipal court, a primary election shall not be held for 1406  
the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for election 1407  
to that office. If only one person files a valid declaration of 1408  
candidacy and petition for nomination as a candidate of a 1409  
particular political party for election to that office, a 1410  
primary election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating 1411  
a candidate of that party for election to that office, and the 1412  
candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the 1413  
manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1414

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1415  
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of 1416  
clerk of the Toledo municipal court shall contain a designation 1417  
of the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the 1418  
following regular municipal election, all candidates for the 1419  
office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1420

territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1421  
1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of 1422  
the court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of 1423  
six years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1424  
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1425  
successor is elected and qualified. 1426

(2) (a) Except for the Alliance, Auglaize county, Brown 1427  
county, Columbiana county, Holmes county, Paulding county, 1428  
Putnam county, Sandusky county, Lorain, Massillon, and 1429  
Youngstown municipal courts, in a municipal court for which the 1430  
population of the territory is less than one hundred thousand, 1431  
the clerk shall be appointed by the court, and the clerk shall 1432  
hold office until the clerk's successor is appointed and 1433  
qualified. 1434

(b) In the Alliance, Lorain, Massillon, and Youngstown 1435  
municipal courts, the clerk shall be elected for a term of 1436  
office as described in division (A) (1) (a) of this section. 1437

(c) In the Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, 1438  
Paulding county, Putnam county, and Sandusky county municipal 1439  
courts, the clerks of courts of Auglaize county, Brown county, 1440  
Holmes county, Paulding county, Putnam county, and Sandusky 1441  
county shall be the clerks, respectively, of the Auglaize 1442  
county, Brown county, Holmes county, Paulding county, Putnam 1443  
county, and Sandusky county municipal courts and may appoint a 1444  
chief deputy clerk for each branch office that is established 1445  
pursuant to section 1901.311 of the Revised Code, and assistant 1446  
clerks as the judge of the court determines are necessary, all 1447  
of whom shall receive the compensation that the legislative 1448  
authority prescribes. The clerks of courts of Auglaize county, 1449  
Brown county, Holmes county, Paulding county, Putnam county, and 1450

Sandusky county, acting as the clerks of the Auglaize county, 1451  
Brown county, Holmes county, Paulding county, Putnam county, and 1452  
Sandusky county municipal courts and assuming the duties of 1453  
these offices, shall receive compensation payable from the 1454  
county treasury in semimonthly installments at one-fourth the 1455  
rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas 1456  
as determined in accordance with the population of the county 1457  
and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the 1458  
Revised Code. 1459

(d) In the Columbiana county municipal court, the clerk of 1460  
courts of Columbiana county shall be the clerk of the municipal 1461  
court, may appoint a chief deputy clerk for each branch office 1462  
that is established pursuant to section 1901.311 of the Revised 1463  
Code, and may appoint any assistant clerks that the judges of 1464  
the court determine are necessary. All of the chief deputy 1465  
clerks and assistant clerks shall receive the compensation that 1466  
the legislative authority prescribes. The clerk of courts of 1467  
Columbiana county, acting as the clerk of the Columbiana county 1468  
municipal court and assuming the duties of that office, shall 1469  
receive in either biweekly installments or semimonthly 1470  
installments, as determined by the payroll administrator, 1471  
compensation payable from the county treasury at one-fourth the 1472  
rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas 1473  
as determined in accordance with the population of the county 1474  
and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the 1475  
Revised Code. 1476

(3) During the temporary absence of the clerk due to 1477  
illness, vacation, or other proper cause, the court may appoint 1478  
a temporary clerk, who shall be paid the same compensation, have 1479  
the same authority, and perform the same duties as the clerk. 1480

(B) Except in the Hamilton county, Montgomery county, 1481  
Miami county, Portage county, and Wayne county municipal courts, 1482  
if a vacancy occurs in the office of the clerk of the Alliance, 1483  
Lorain, Massillon, or Youngstown municipal court or occurs in 1484  
the office of the clerk of a municipal court for which the 1485  
population of the territory equals or exceeds one hundred 1486  
thousand because the clerk ceases to hold the office before the 1487  
end of the clerk's term or because a clerk-elect fails to take 1488  
office, the vacancy shall be filled, until a successor is 1489  
elected and qualified, by a person chosen by the residents of 1490  
the territory of the court who are members of the county central 1491  
committee of the political party by which the last occupant of 1492  
that office or the clerk-elect was nominated. Not less than five 1493  
nor more than fifteen days after a vacancy occurs, those members 1494  
of that county central committee shall meet to make an 1495  
appointment to fill the vacancy. At least four days before the 1496  
date of the meeting, the chairperson or a secretary of the 1497  
county central committee shall notify each such member of that 1498  
county central committee by first class mail of the date, time, 1499  
and place of the meeting and its purpose. A majority of all such 1500  
members of that county central committee constitutes a quorum, 1501  
and a majority of the quorum is required to make the 1502  
appointment. If the office so vacated was occupied or was to be 1503  
occupied by a person not nominated at a primary election, or if 1504  
the appointment was not made by the committee members in 1505  
accordance with this division, the court shall make an 1506  
appointment to fill the vacancy. A successor shall be elected to 1507  
fill the office for the unexpired term at the first municipal 1508  
election that is held more than one hundred thirty-five days 1509  
after the vacancy occurred. 1510

(C) (1) In a municipal court, other than the Auglaize 1511

county, the Brown county, the Columbiana county, the Holmes 1512  
county, the Paulding county, the Putnam county, the Sandusky 1513  
county, and the Lorain municipal courts, for which the 1514  
population of the territory is less than one hundred thousand, 1515  
the clerk of the municipal court shall receive the annual 1516  
compensation that the presiding judge of the court prescribes, 1517  
if the revenue of the court for the preceding calendar year, as 1518  
certified by the auditor or chief fiscal officer of the 1519  
municipal corporation in which the court is located or, in the 1520  
case of a county-operated municipal court, the county auditor, 1521  
is equal to or greater than the expenditures, including any debt 1522  
charges, for the operation of the court payable under this 1523  
chapter from the city treasury or, in the case of a county- 1524  
operated municipal court, the county treasury for that calendar 1525  
year, as also certified by the auditor or chief fiscal officer. 1526  
If the revenue of a municipal court, other than the Auglaize 1527  
county, the Brown county, the Columbiana county, the Paulding 1528  
county, the Putnam county, the Sandusky county, and the Lorain 1529  
municipal courts, for which the population of the territory is 1530  
less than one hundred thousand for the preceding calendar year 1531  
as so certified is not equal to or greater than those 1532  
expenditures for the operation of the court for that calendar 1533  
year as so certified, the clerk of a municipal court shall 1534  
receive the annual compensation that the legislative authority 1535  
prescribes. As used in this division, "revenue" means the total 1536  
of all costs and fees that are collected and paid to the city 1537  
treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1538  
treasury by the clerk of the municipal court under division (F) 1539  
of this section and all interest received and paid to the city 1540  
treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1541  
treasury in relation to the costs and fees under division (G) of 1542  
this section. 1543

(2) In a municipal court, other than the Hamilton county, 1544  
Montgomery county, Miami county, Portage county, and Wayne 1545  
county municipal courts, for which the population of the 1546  
territory is one hundred thousand or more, and in the Lorain 1547  
municipal court, the clerk of the municipal court shall receive 1548  
annual compensation in a sum equal to eighty-five per cent of 1549  
the salary of a judge of the court. 1550

(3) The compensation of a clerk described in division (C) 1551  
(1) or (2) of this section and of the clerk of the Columbiana 1552  
county municipal court is payable in either semimonthly 1553  
installments or biweekly installments, as determined by the 1554  
payroll administrator, from the same sources and in the same 1555  
manner as provided in section 1901.11 of the Revised Code, 1556  
except that the compensation of the clerk of the Carroll county 1557  
municipal court is payable in biweekly installments. 1558

(D) Before entering upon the duties of the clerk's office, 1559  
the clerk of a municipal court shall give bond of not less than 1560  
six thousand dollars to be determined by the judges of the 1561  
court, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the clerk's 1562  
duties. 1563

(E) The clerk of a municipal court may do all of the 1564  
following: administer oaths, take affidavits, and issue 1565  
executions upon any judgment rendered in the court, including a 1566  
judgment for unpaid costs; issue, sign, and attach the seal of 1567  
the court to all writs, process, subpoenas, and papers issuing 1568  
out of the court; and approve all bonds, sureties, 1569  
recognizances, and undertakings fixed by any judge of the court 1570  
or by law. The clerk may refuse to accept for filing any 1571  
pleading or paper submitted for filing by a person who has been 1572  
found to be a vexatious litigator under section 2323.52 of the 1573

Revised Code and who has failed to obtain leave to proceed under 1574  
that section. The clerk shall do all of the following: file and 1575  
safely keep all journals, records, books, and papers belonging 1576  
or appertaining to the court; record the proceedings of the 1577  
court; perform all other duties that the judges of the court may 1578  
prescribe; and keep a book showing all receipts and 1579  
disbursements, which book shall be open for public inspection at 1580  
all times. 1581

The clerk shall prepare and maintain a general index, a 1582  
docket, and other records that the court, by rule, requires, all 1583  
of which shall be the public records of the court. In the 1584  
docket, the clerk shall enter, at the time of the commencement 1585  
of an action, the names of the parties in full, the names of the 1586  
counsel, and the nature of the proceedings. Under proper dates, 1587  
the clerk shall note the filing of the complaint, issuing of 1588  
summons or other process, returns, and any subsequent pleadings. 1589  
The clerk also shall enter all reports, verdicts, orders, 1590  
judgments, and proceedings of the court, clearly specifying the 1591  
relief granted or orders made in each action. The court may 1592  
order an extended record of any of the above to be made and 1593  
entered, under the proper action heading, upon the docket at the 1594  
request of any party to the case, the expense of which record 1595  
may be taxed as costs in the case or may be required to be 1596  
prepaid by the party demanding the record, upon order of the 1597  
court. 1598

(F) The clerk of a municipal court shall receive, collect, 1599  
and issue receipts for all costs, fees, fines, bail, and other 1600  
moneys payable to the office or to any officer of the court. The 1601  
clerk shall on or before the twentieth day of the month 1602  
following the month in which they are collected disburse to the 1603  
proper persons or officers, and take receipts for, all costs, 1604



fees, fines, bail, and other moneys that the clerk collects. 1605  
Subject to sections 307.515 and 4511.193 of the Revised Code and 1606  
to any other section of the Revised Code that requires a 1607  
specific manner of disbursement of any moneys received by a 1608  
municipal court and except for the Hamilton county, Lawrence 1609  
county, and Ottawa county municipal courts, the clerk shall pay 1610  
all fines received for violation of municipal ordinances into 1611  
the treasury of the municipal corporation the ordinance of which 1612  
was violated and shall pay all fines received for violation of 1613  
township resolutions adopted pursuant to section 503.52 or 1614  
503.53 or Chapter 504. of the Revised Code into the treasury of 1615  
the township the resolution of which was violated. Subject to 1616  
sections 1901.024 and 4511.193 of the Revised Code, in the 1617  
Hamilton county, Lawrence county, and Ottawa county municipal 1618  
courts, the clerk shall pay fifty per cent of the fines received 1619  
for violation of municipal ordinances and fifty per cent of the 1620  
fines received for violation of township resolutions adopted 1621  
pursuant to section 503.52 or 503.53 or Chapter 504. of the 1622  
Revised Code into the treasury of the county. Subject to 1623  
sections 307.515, 4511.19, and 5503.04 of the Revised Code and 1624  
to any other section of the Revised Code that requires a 1625  
specific manner of disbursement of any moneys received by a 1626  
municipal court, the clerk shall pay all fines collected for the 1627  
violation of state laws into the county treasury. Except in a 1628  
county-operated municipal court, the clerk shall pay all costs 1629  
and fees the disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for 1630  
in the Revised Code into the city treasury. The clerk of a 1631  
county-operated municipal court shall pay the costs and fees the 1632  
disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for in the 1633  
Revised Code into the county treasury. Moneys deposited as 1634  
security for costs shall be retained pending the litigation. The 1635  
clerk shall keep a separate account of all receipts and 1636

disbursements in civil and criminal cases, which shall be a 1637  
permanent public record of the office. On the expiration of the 1638  
term of the clerk, the clerk shall deliver the records to the 1639  
clerk's successor. The clerk shall have other powers and duties 1640  
as are prescribed by rule or order of the court. 1641

(G) All moneys paid into a municipal court shall be noted 1642  
on the record of the case in which they are paid and shall be 1643  
deposited in a state or national bank, or a domestic savings and 1644  
loan association, as defined in section 1151.01 of the Revised 1645  
Code, that is selected by the clerk. Any interest received upon 1646  
the deposits shall be paid into the city treasury, except that, 1647  
in a county-operated municipal court, the interest shall be paid 1648  
into the treasury of the county in which the court is located. 1649

On the first Monday in January of each year, the clerk 1650  
shall make a list of the titles of all cases in the court that 1651  
were finally determined more than one year past in which there 1652  
remains unclaimed in the possession of the clerk any funds, or 1653  
any part of a deposit for security of costs not consumed by the 1654  
costs in the case. The clerk shall give notice of the moneys to 1655  
the parties who are entitled to the moneys or to their attorneys 1656  
of record. All the moneys remaining unclaimed on the first day 1657  
of April of each year shall be paid by the clerk to the city 1658  
treasurer, except that, in a county-operated municipal court, 1659  
the moneys shall be paid to the treasurer of the county in which 1660  
the court is located. The treasurer shall pay any part of the 1661  
moneys at any time to the person who has the right to the moneys 1662  
upon proper certification of the clerk. 1663

(H) Deputy clerks of a municipal court other than the 1664  
Carroll county municipal court may be appointed by the clerk and 1665  
shall receive the compensation, payable in either biweekly 1666

installments or semimonthly installments, as determined by the 1667  
payroll administrator, out of the city treasury, that the clerk 1668  
may prescribe, except that the compensation of any deputy clerk 1669  
of a county-operated municipal court shall be paid out of the 1670  
treasury of the county in which the court is located. The judge 1671  
of the Carroll county municipal court may appoint deputy clerks 1672  
for the court, and the deputy clerks shall receive the 1673  
compensation, payable in biweekly installments out of the county 1674  
treasury, that the judge may prescribe. Each deputy clerk shall 1675  
take an oath of office before entering upon the duties of the 1676  
deputy clerk's office and, when so qualified, may perform the 1677  
duties appertaining to the office of the clerk. The clerk may 1678  
require any of the deputy clerks to give bond of not less than 1679  
three thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance 1680  
of the deputy clerk's duties. 1681

(I) For the purposes of this section, whenever the 1682  
population of the territory of a municipal court falls below one 1683  
hundred thousand but not below ninety thousand, and the 1684  
population of the territory prior to the most recent regular 1685  
federal census exceeded one hundred thousand, the legislative 1686  
authority of the municipal corporation may declare, by 1687  
resolution, that the territory shall be considered to have a 1688  
population of at least one hundred thousand. 1689

(J) The clerk or a deputy clerk shall be in attendance at 1690  
all sessions of the municipal court, although not necessarily in 1691  
the courtroom, and may administer oaths to witnesses and jurors 1692  
and receive verdicts. 1693

**Sec. 1901.312.** (A) As used in this section, "health care 1694  
coverage" has the same meaning as in section 1901.111 of the 1695  
Revised Code. 1696

(B) The legislative authority, after consultation with the clerk and deputy clerks of the municipal court, shall negotiate and contract for, purchase, or otherwise procure group health care coverage for the clerk and deputy clerks and their spouses and dependents from insurance companies authorized to engage in the business of insurance in this state under Title XXXIX of the Revised Code or health insuring corporations holding certificates of authority under Chapter 1751. of the Revised Code, except that if the county or municipal corporation served by the legislative authority provides group health care coverage for its employees, the group health care coverage required by this section shall be provided, if possible, through the policy or plan under which the group health care coverage is provided for the county or municipal corporation employees.

(C) The portion of the costs, premiums, or charges for the group health care coverage procured pursuant to division (B) of this section that is not paid by the clerk and deputy clerks of the municipal court, or all of the costs, premiums, or charges for the group health care coverage if the clerk and deputy clerks will not be paying any such portion, shall be paid as follows:

(1) If the municipal court is a county-operated municipal court, the portion of the costs, premiums, or charges or all of the costs, premiums, or charges shall be paid out of the treasury of the county.

(2) (a) If the municipal court is not a county-operated municipal court, the portion of the costs, premiums, or charges in connection with the clerk or all of the costs, premiums, or charges in connection with the clerk shall be paid in three-fifths and two-fifths shares from the city treasury and

appropriate county treasuries as described in division (C) of 1727  
section 1901.31 of the Revised Code. The three-fifths share of a 1728  
city treasury is subject to apportionment under section 1901.026 1729  
of the Revised Code. 1730

(b) If the municipal court is not a county-operated 1731  
municipal court, the portion of the costs, premiums, or charges 1732  
in connection with the deputy clerks or all of the costs, 1733  
premiums, or charges in connection with the deputy clerks shall 1734  
be paid from the city treasury and shall be subject to 1735  
apportionment under section 1901.026 of the Revised Code. 1736

(D) This section does not apply to the clerk of the 1737  
Auglaize county, Hamilton county, Paulding county, Portage 1738  
county, Putnam county, or Wayne county municipal court, if 1739  
health care coverage is provided to the clerk by virtue of the 1740  
clerk's employment as the clerk of the court of common pleas of 1741  
Auglaize county, Hamilton county, Paulding county, Portage 1742  
county, Putnam county, or Wayne county. 1743

**Sec. 1901.34.** (A) Except as provided in divisions (B) and 1744  
(D) of this section, the village solicitor, city director of 1745  
law, or similar chief legal officer for each municipal 1746  
corporation within the territory of a municipal court shall 1747  
prosecute all cases brought before the municipal court for 1748  
criminal offenses occurring within the municipal corporation for 1749  
which that person is the solicitor, director of law, or similar 1750  
chief legal officer. Except as provided in division (B) of this 1751  
section, the village solicitor, city director of law, or similar 1752  
chief legal officer of the municipal corporation in which a 1753  
municipal court is located shall prosecute all criminal cases 1754  
brought before the court arising in the unincorporated areas 1755  
within the territory of the municipal court. 1756

(B) The Auglaize county, Brown county, Clermont county, 1757  
Hocking county, Holmes county, Jackson county, Morrow county, 1758  
Ottawa county, Paulding county, Portage county, and Putnam 1759  
county prosecuting attorneys shall prosecute in municipal court 1760  
all violations of state law arising in their respective 1761  
counties. The Carroll county, Crawford county, Hamilton county, 1762  
Madison county, and Wayne county prosecuting attorneys and 1763  
beginning January 1, 2008, the Erie county prosecuting attorney 1764  
shall prosecute all violations of state law arising within the 1765  
unincorporated areas of their respective counties. The 1766  
Columbiana county prosecuting attorney shall prosecute in the 1767  
Columbiana county municipal court all violations of state law 1768  
arising in the county, except for violations arising in the 1769  
municipal corporation of East Liverpool, Liverpool township, or 1770  
St. Clair township. The Darke county prosecuting attorney shall 1771  
prosecute in the Darke county municipal court all violations of 1772  
state law arising in the county, except for violations of state 1773  
law arising in the municipal corporation of Greenville and 1774  
violations of state law arising in the village of Versailles. 1775  
The Greene county board of county commissioners may provide for 1776  
the prosecution of all violations of state law arising within 1777  
the territorial jurisdiction of any municipal court located in 1778  
Greene county. The Montgomery county prosecuting attorney shall 1779  
prosecute in the Montgomery county municipal court all felony, 1780  
misdemeanor, and traffic violations arising in the 1781  
unincorporated townships of Jefferson, Jackson, Perry, and Clay 1782  
and all felony violations of state law and all violations 1783  
involving a state or county agency arising within the 1784  
jurisdiction of the court. All other violations arising in the 1785  
territory of the Montgomery county municipal court shall be 1786  
prosecuted by the village solicitor, city director of law, or 1787  
similar chief legal officer for each municipal corporation 1788

within the territory of the Montgomery county municipal court. 1789

The prosecuting attorney of any county given the duty of 1790  
prosecuting in municipal court violations of state law shall 1791  
receive no additional compensation for assuming these additional 1792  
duties, except that the prosecuting attorney of Hamilton, 1793  
Portage, and Wayne counties shall receive compensation at the 1794  
rate of four thousand eight hundred dollars per year, and the 1795  
prosecuting attorney of Auglaize county shall receive 1796  
compensation at the rate of one thousand eight hundred dollars 1797  
per year, each payable from the county treasury of the 1798  
respective counties in semimonthly installments. 1799

(C) The village solicitor, city director of law, or 1800  
similar chief legal officer shall perform the same duties, 1801  
insofar as they are applicable to the village solicitor, city 1802  
director of law, or similar chief legal officer, as are required 1803  
of the prosecuting attorney of the county. The village 1804  
solicitor, city director of law, similar chief legal officer or 1805  
any assistants who may be appointed shall receive for such 1806  
services additional compensation to be paid from the treasury of 1807  
the county as the board of county commissioners prescribes. 1808

(D) The prosecuting attorney of any county, other than 1809  
Auglaize, Brown, Clermont, Hocking, Holmes, Jackson, Morrow, 1810  
Ottawa, Paulding, Portage, or Putnam county, may enter into an 1811  
agreement with any municipal corporation in the county in which 1812  
the prosecuting attorney serves pursuant to which the 1813  
prosecuting attorney prosecutes all criminal cases brought 1814  
before the municipal court that has territorial jurisdiction 1815  
over that municipal corporation for criminal offenses occurring 1816  
within the municipal corporation. The prosecuting attorney of 1817  
Auglaize, Brown, Clermont, Hocking, Holmes, Jackson, Morrow, 1818

Ottawa, Paulding, Portage, or Putnam county may enter into an 1819  
agreement with any municipal corporation in the county in which 1820  
the prosecuting attorney serves pursuant to which the respective 1821  
prosecuting attorney prosecutes all cases brought before the 1822  
Auglaize county, Brown county, Clermont county, Hocking county, 1823  
Holmes county, Jackson county, Morrow county, Ottawa county, 1824  
Paulding county, Portage county, or Putnam county municipal 1825  
court for violations of the ordinances of the municipal 1826  
corporation or for criminal offenses other than violations of 1827  
state law occurring within the municipal corporation. For 1828  
prosecuting these cases, the prosecuting attorney and the 1829  
municipal corporation may agree upon a fee to be paid by the 1830  
municipal corporation, which fee shall be paid into the county 1831  
treasury, to be used to cover expenses of the office of the 1832  
prosecuting attorney. 1833

**Sec. 1907.11.** (A) Each county court district shall have 1834  
the following county court judges, to be elected as follows: 1835

In the Adams county county court, one part-time judge 1836  
shall be elected in 1982. 1837

In the Ashtabula county county court, one part-time judge 1838  
shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be 1839  
elected in 1982. 1840

In the Belmont county county court, one part-time judge 1841  
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, 1842  
and two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1843  
commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1844

In the Butler county county court, one part-time judge 1845  
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, 1846  
and two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1847



commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1848

Until December 31, 2007, in the Erie county county court, 1849  
one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982. Effective January 1850  
1, 2008, the Erie county county court shall cease to exist. 1851

In the Fulton county county court, one part-time judge 1852  
shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be 1853  
elected in 1982. 1854

In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge 1855  
shall be elected in 1982. 1856

In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge 1857  
shall be elected in 1982. 1858

In the Jefferson county county court, one part-time judge 1859  
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, 1860  
and two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1861  
commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1862

In the Mahoning county county court, one part-time judge 1863  
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, 1864  
and three part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1865  
commence on January 1, 1995, January 2, 1995, and January 3, 1866  
1995, respectively. 1867

In the Meigs county county court, one part-time judge 1868  
shall be elected in 1982. 1869

In the Monroe county county court, one part-time judge 1870  
shall be elected in 1982. 1871

In the Morgan county county court, one part-time judge 1872  
shall be elected in 1982. 1873

In the Muskingum county county court, one part-time judge 1874

shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be 1875  
elected in 1982. 1876

In the Noble county county court, one part-time judge 1877  
shall be elected in 1982. 1878

~~In the Paulding county county court, one part-time judge 1879  
shall be elected in 1982. 1880~~

In the Perry county county court, one part-time judge 1881  
shall be elected in 1982. 1882

In the Pike county county court, one part-time judge shall 1883  
be elected in 1982. 1884

Until December 31, 2006, in the Sandusky county county 1885  
court, two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1886  
commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1887  
The judges elected in 2006 shall serve until December 31, 2012. 1888  
The Sandusky county county court shall cease to exist on January 1889  
1, 2013. 1890

In the Trumbull county county court, one part-time judge 1891  
shall be elected in 1992, and one part-time judge shall be 1892  
elected in 1994. 1893

In the Tuscarawas county county court, one part-time judge 1894  
shall be elected in 1982. 1895

In the Vinton county county court, one part-time judge 1896  
shall be elected in 1982. 1897

In the Warren county county court, one part-time judge 1898  
shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be 1899  
elected in 1982. 1900

(B) (1) Additional judges shall be elected at the next 1901

regular election for a county court judge as provided in section 1902  
1907.13 of the Revised Code. 1903

(2) Vacancies caused by the death or the resignation from, 1904  
forfeiture of, or removal from office of a judge shall be filled 1905  
in accordance with section 107.08 of the Revised Code, except as 1906  
provided in section 1907.15 of the Revised Code. 1907

**Section 2.** That existing sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1908  
1901.03, 1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, 1901.312, 1901.34, and 1909  
1907.11 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 1910

**Section 3.** (A) Effective January 1, 2019, the Paulding 1911  
County County Court is abolished. 1912

(B) All causes, judgments, executions, and other 1913  
proceedings pending in the Paulding County County Court at the 1914  
close of business on December 31, 2018, shall be transferred to 1915  
and proceed in the Paulding County Municipal Court on January 1, 1916  
2019, as if originally instituted in the Paulding County 1917  
Municipal Court. Parties to those causes, judgments, executions, 1918  
and proceedings may make any amendments to their pleadings that 1919  
are required to conform them to the rules of the Paulding County 1920  
Municipal Court. The Clerk of the Paulding County County Court 1921  
or other custodian shall transfer to the Paulding County 1922  
Municipal Court all pleadings, orders, entries, dockets, bonds, 1923  
papers, records, books, exhibits, files, moneys, property, and 1924  
persons that belong to, are in the possession of, or are subject 1925  
to the jurisdiction of the Paulding County County Court, or any 1926  
officer of that court, that pertain to those causes, judgments, 1927  
executions, and proceedings at the close of business on December 1928  
31, 2018. 1929

(C) All employees of the Paulding County County Court 1930

shall be transferred to and shall become employees of the 1931  
Paulding County Municipal Court on January 1, 2019. 1932

(D) Effective January 1, 2019, the part-time judgeship in 1933  
the Paulding County County Court is abolished. 1934

**Section 4.** Sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.31, 1935  
1901.312, 1901.34, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code, as amended 1936  
by this act, shall take effect January 1, 2019. 1937

**Section 5.** Section 1901.34 of the Revised Code is 1938  
presented in this act as a composite of the section as amended 1939  
by both Am. Sub. H.B. 238 and Sub. H.B. 338 of the 128th General 1940  
Assembly. The General Assembly, applying the principle stated in 1941  
division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments 1942  
are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous 1943  
operation, finds that the composite is the resulting version of 1944  
the section in effect prior to the effective date of the section 1945  
as presented in this act. 1946