

SENATE BILL 1320

By Dickerson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-3-101, relative to municipal elections.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-3-101(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (2) and substituting instead the following:

(2)

(A) Each polling place shall be in the precinct it is to serve except for municipal elections not held in conjunction with:

(i) Any primary election,

(ii) The regular August or November general elections,

(iii) Any special primary or special general election for state or federal offices; or

(iv) The presidential preference primary.

(B) Where a municipal election is not held in conjunction with an election specified in (a)(2)(A) and if a polling place is located outside of the boundaries of a municipality but the precinct the polling place serves includes residents of the municipality, the county election commission may designate a polling place outside, but closest to the geographic precinct within the limits of the municipality, of the precinct it is to serve. The county election commission may, upon request from a municipality, consolidate one (1) or more polling places, from one (1) or more precincts, within the limits of the municipality.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-3-101(a)(3), is amended by adding the language "except in an emergency" before the period (.) at the end of the first sentence of the subdivision.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.