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## A BILL

To amend sections 2313.13 and 2313.24 of the Revise	ed 1
Code to modify the small county exception to the	e 2
drawing, summoning, and service of jurors for a	3
term or part of a term of a court of common plea	as. 4

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

Section 1. That sections 2313.13 and 2313.24 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2313.13. (A) The court of common pleas may postpone the 7 whole or a part of the time of service of a juror, after notice 8 for service, to a later date during the same term or part of a 9 term or to a subsequent term or part of a term of the same jury 10 year or may excuse a juror, after notice for service, from service 11 at that term for not more than three days at a time, where the 12 exigencies of his business require his temporary excuse. The court 13 of a county or the judge of the court of common pleas of a county 14 may also discharge, for the term of a court or for part of a term 15 of a court, or excuse until a day certain, one or more jurors so 16 notified summoned for jury duty whose attendance is not required 17 for the trial of issues at that term or part of a term, or until 18

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that day. Each

(B)(1) The court of common pleas of a county or a judge of	20
the court of common pleas of a county may postpone the whole or a	21
part of a juror's time of service on jury duty, after summoning	22
the juror for jury duty, to either of the following:	23

(a) To a later date during the same term of court or part of a term of court;

(b) To a subsequent term of court or part of a term of court of the same jury year.

(2) Each juror so excused or whose time of service on jury 28 <u>duty</u> is postponed until a <del>day certain</del> <u>specified date</u> may be 29 required to attend at the opening of court on that  $day_7$  and 30 thereafter on each day after that day until the juror is 31 discharged, without further notice additional summons from the 32 33 court.

(C) The court of common pleas of a county, or a judge of the 34 court of common pleas of a county, may excuse until a specified 35 date one or more jurors summoned for jury duty whose attendance is 36 not required for the trial of issues until that day. Each juror 37 excused until a specified date may be required to attend the 38 opening of court on that day and on each day after that day until 39 the juror is discharged, without additional summons from the 40 court. 41

(D) The court of common pleas of a county or a judge of the 42 court of common pleas of a county may excuse a juror, after 43 summoning the juror for jury duty, from service on jury duty at 44 that term of court for not more than three days at a time, if the 45 exigencies of the juror's business require the juror's temporary 46 excuse. 47

**Sec. 2313.24.** (A) The court of common pleas of a county, or a 48

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judge thereof of the court of common pleas of a county, shall 49 specify by written order the number of jurors to be drawn for each 50 term of that court, or part of a term, of that court when the term 51 is divided into parts, to comply with sections 2313.01 to 2313.46 52 of the Revised Code. A proportionate 53

(B) A portion of the number of jurors ordered for a term or 54 part of a term to be drawn pursuant to division (A) of this 55 section shall be first drawn and shall be summoned to be present 56 for duty during the first three consecutive calendar weeks of the 57 term or part of a term, and the. The same number of jurors shall 58 next be drawn and shall be summoned to be present for duty during 59 the next three consecutive calendar weeks, and in like manner 60 jurors. Jurors shall be drawn and summoned for each succeeding 61 three weeks of the term of court. This section as to the division 62 of terms and as to the service of jurors for three weeks 63

(C) Divisions (A) and (B) of this section shall not apply to
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counties with a population of less than one two hundred fifty
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thousand population in which cases the. If divisions (A) and (B)
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of this section do not apply to a county, the court of common
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pleas of that county or a judge of the court of common pleas of
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that county shall make rules in his own that apply to that county
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applicable to such matters for the drawing and summons of jurors.

(D) The commissioners of jurors may send by mail or otherwise 71 to a juror whose name is drawn, a printed notice, informing him 72 the juror that he the juror has been drawn for jury duty and will 73 be notified summoned by the sheriff, and such. The notice may 74 contain copies of such the portions of sections 2313.01 to 2313.46 75 of the Revised Code, as that the commissioners deem consider 76 advisable. 77

Section 2. That existing sections 2313.13 and 2313.24 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

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