

AN ACT

To amend section 1545.05 of the Revised Code to permit any metropolitan park district to expand its board of park commissioners permanently from a three-member to a five-member board.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That section 1545.05 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1545.05. (A) Upon the creation of a park district, the probate judge shall appoint three commissioners who shall take office immediately and whose terms shall expire one, two, and three years, respectively, from the first day of January next after the date of their appointment, ~~and thereafter.~~ Thereafter, their successors shall be appointed by ~~such the probate~~ judge for terms of three years. Before entering upon the performance of ~~his the~~ duties of the office, each commissioner shall take an oath to perform faithfully the duties of ~~his the~~ office; and shall give bond for ~~the that~~ faithful performance ~~of the duties of his office~~ in the sum of five thousand dollars. ~~Such The~~ bond shall be approved by and filed with the county auditor. ~~Such The~~ commissioners shall serve without compensation, but shall be allowed their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

(B) Any board of park commissioners of a park district may elect to expand the membership of the board from three members to five members upon a majority vote of the board. Upon such a vote, the board shall certify to the probate judge a resolution requesting the judge to appoint two additional members to the board. The probate judge shall appoint those additional members, and they shall take office immediately upon their appointment. One member shall be appointed to a term that expires on the first day of January of the year following the year of that member's appointment, and one member shall be appointed to a term that expires on the first day of January of the second year following the year of that member's appointment. Thereafter, their successors shall be appointed by the probate judge for terms of three years.

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SECTION 2. That existing section 1545.05 of the Revised Code is hereby repealed.

Speaker _____ *of the House of Representatives.*

President _____ *of the Senate.*

Passed _____, 20____

Approved _____, 20____

Governor.

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The section numbering of law of a general and permanent nature is complete and in conformity with the Revised Code.

Director, Legislative Service Commission.

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Secretary of State.

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