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A BILL

То	amend sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.08,	1
	1901.31, 1901.34, 1907.11, and 2301.02 of the	2
	Revised Code to change the status of the judge of	3
	the Marysville Municipal Court from part-time to	4
	full-time, to add one judge to the Delaware	Ē
	Municipal Court, to create the Holmes County	6
	Municipal Court in Millersburg and abolish the	7
	Holmes County Court on January 1, 2007, to	8
	designate the Holmes County Clerk of Courts as the	9
	clerk of the Holmes County Municipal Court, to	10
	provide one full-time judge for the Holmes County	11
	Municipal Court to be elected in 2007, to add two	12
	judges to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas	13
	to be elected in 2008, and to create the Joint	14
	Committee to Study Court Costs and Filing Fees to	15
	review the assessment, collection, and allocation	16
	of court costs and filing fees in Ohio and make	17
	recommendations to the Ohio Supreme Court, the	18
	General Assembly, and the Governor.	19

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

Section 1. That sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.08,	20
1901.31, 1901.34, 1907.11, and 2301.02 of the Revised Code be	21
amended to read as follows:	22
Sec. 1901.01. (A) There is hereby established a municipal	23
court in each of the following municipal corporations:	24
Akron, Alliance, Ashland, Ashtabula, Athens, Avon Lake,	25
Barberton, Bedford, Bellefontaine, Bellevue, Berea, Bowling Green,	26
Bryan, Bucyrus, Cambridge, Campbell, Canton, Celina, Chardon,	27
Chesapeake, Chillicothe, Cincinnati, Circleville, Cleveland,	28
Cleveland Heights, Columbus, Conneaut, Coshocton, Cuyahoga Falls,	29
Dayton, Defiance, Delaware, East Cleveland, East Liverpool, Eaton,	30
Elyria, Euclid, Fairborn, Fairfield, Findlay, Fostoria, Franklin,	31
Fremont, Gallipolis, Garfield Heights, Georgetown, Girard,	32
Greenville, Hamilton, Hillsboro, Huron, Ironton, Jackson, Kenton,	33
Kettering, Lakewood, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lima, Logan, London,	34
Lorain, Lyndhurst, Mansfield, Marietta, Marion, Marysville, Mason,	35
Massillon, Maumee, Medina, Mentor, Miamisburg, Middletown,	36
Millersburg, Mount Gilead, Mount Vernon, Napoleon, Newark, New	37
Philadelphia, Newton Falls, Niles, Norwalk, Oakwood, Oberlin,	38
Oregon, Painesville, Parma, Perrysburg, Port Clinton, Portsmouth,	39
Ravenna, Rocky River, Sandusky, Shaker Heights, Shelby, Sidney,	40
South Euclid, Springfield, Steubenville, Struthers, Sylvania,	41
Tiffin, Toledo, Troy, Upper Sandusky, Urbana, Vandalia, Van Wert,	42
Vermilion, Wadsworth, Wapakoneta, Warren, City of Washington in	43
Fayette county, to be known as Washington Court House, Willoughby,	44
Wilmington, Wooster, Xenia, Youngstown, and Zanesville.	45
(B) There is hereby established a municipal court within	46
Clermont county in Batavia or in any other municipal corporation	47

styled and known as the "Athens county municipal court";

styled and known as the "Franklin county municipal court";

(5) The municipal court established in Columbus that shall be

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(6) The municipal court established in London that shall be	78
styled and known as the "Madison county municipal court";	79
(7) The municipal court established in Newark that shall be	80
styled and known as the "Licking county municipal court";	81
(8) The municipal court established in Wooster that shall be	82
styled and known as the "Wayne county municipal court";	83
(9) The municipal court established in Wapakoneta that shall	84
be styled and known as the "Auglaize county municipal court";	85
(10) The municipal court established in Troy that shall be	86
styled and known as the "Miami county municipal court";	87
(11) The municipal court established in Bucyrus that shall be	88
styled and known as the "Crawford county municipal court";	89
(12) The municipal court established in Logan that shall be	90
styled and known as the "Hocking county municipal court";	91
(13) The municipal court established in Urbana that shall be	92
styled and known as the "Champaign county municipal court";	93
(14) The municipal court established in Jackson that shall be	94
styled and known as the "Jackson county municipal court";	95
(15) The municipal court established in Springfield that	96
shall be styled and known as the "Clark county municipal court";	97
(16) The municipal court established in Kenton that shall be	98
styled and known as the "Hardin county municipal court";	99
(17) The municipal court established within Clermont county	100
in Batavia or in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated	101
territory within Clermont county that is selected by the	102
legislative authority of that court that shall be styled and known	103
as the "Clermont county municipal court";	104
(18) The municipal court established in Wilmington that,	105
beginning July 1, 1992, shall be styled and known as the "Clinton	106

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county municipal court";	107
(19) The municipal court established in Port Clinton that	108
shall be styled and known as "the Ottawa county municipal court";	109
(20) The municipal court established in Lancaster that,	110
beginning January 2, 2000, shall be styled and known as the	111
"Fairfield county municipal court";	112
(21) The municipal court established within Columbiana county	113
in Lisbon or in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated	114
territory selected pursuant to division (I) of section 1901.021 of	115
the Revised Code, that shall be styled and known as the	116
"Columbiana county municipal court";	117
(22) The municipal court established in Georgetown that,	118
beginning February 9, 2003, shall be styled and known as the	119
"Brown county municipal court";	120
(23) The municipal court established in Mount Gilead that,	121
beginning January 1, 2003, shall be styled and known as the	122
"Morrow county municipal court";	123
(24) The municipal court established in Greenville that,	124
beginning January 1, 2005, shall be styled and known as the "Darke	125
county municipal court ";	126
(25) The municipal court established in Millersburg that,	127
beginning January 1, 2007, shall be styled and known as the	128
"Holmes county municipal court."	129
(B) In addition to the jurisdiction set forth in division (A)	130
of this section, the municipal courts established by section	131
1901.01 of the Revised Code have jurisdiction as follows:	132
The Akron municipal court has jurisdiction within Bath,	133
Northampton, Richfield, and Springfield townships, and within the	134
municipal corporations of Fairlawn, Lakemore, and Mogadore, in	135
Summit county.	136

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Park, Westview, and Olmsted Falls, and within Olmsted township, in	167 168
Cuyahoga county.	100
The Bowling Green municipal court has jurisdiction within the	169
municipal corporations of Bairdstown, Bloomdale, Bradner, Custar,	170
Cygnet, Grand Rapids, Haskins, Hoytville, Jerry City, Milton	171
Center, North Baltimore, Pemberville, Portage, Rising Sun,	172
Tontogany, Wayne, and Weston, and within Bloom, Center, Freedom,	173
Grand Rapids, Henry, Jackson, Liberty, Middleton, Milton,	174
Montgomery, Plain, Portage, Washington, Webster, and Weston	175
townships in Wood county.	176
Beginning February 9, 2003, the Brown county municipal court	177
has jurisdiction within Brown county.	178
The Bryan municipal court has jurisdiction within Williams	179
county.	180
The Cambridge municipal court has jurisdiction within	181
Guernsey county.	182
The Campbell municipal court has jurisdiction within	183
Coitsville township in Mahoning county.	184
The Canton municipal court has jurisdiction within Canton,	185
Lake, Nimishillen, Osnaburg, Pike, Plain, and Sandy townships in	186
Stark county.	187
The Celina municipal court has jurisdiction within Mercer	188
county.	189
The Champaign county municipal court has jurisdiction within	190
Champaign county.	191
The Chardon municipal court has jurisdiction within Geauga	192
county.	193
The Chillicothe municipal court has jurisdiction within Ross	194
county.	195

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The Circleville municipal court has jurisdiction within	196
Pickaway county.	197
The Clark county municipal court has jurisdiction within	198
Clark county.	199
The Clermont county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clermont county.	200 201
The Cleveland municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Bratenahl in Cuyahoga county.	202 203
Beginning July 1, 1992, the Clinton county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clinton county.	204 205
The Columbiana county municipal court has jurisdiction within all of Columbiana county except within the municipal corporation of East Liverpool and except within Liverpool and St. Clair townships.	206 207 208 209
The Coshocton municipal court has jurisdiction within Coshocton county.	210 211
The Crawford county municipal court has jurisdiction within Crawford county.	212 213
The Cuyahoga Falls municipal court has jurisdiction within	214
Boston, Hudson, Northfield Center, Sagamore Hills, and Twinsburg	215
townships, and within the municipal corporations of Boston	216
Heights, Hudson, Munroe Falls, Northfield, Peninsula,	217
Reminderville, Silver Lake, Stow, Tallmadge, Twinsburg, and Macedonia, in Summit county.	218 219
Beginning January 1, 2005, the Darke county municipal court	220
has jurisdiction within Darke county except within the municipal corporation of Bradford.	221 222
The Defiance municipal court has jurisdiction within Defiance county.	223 224

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county.	342
The Napoleon municipal court has jurisdiction within Henry	343
county.	344
The New Philadelphia municipal court has jurisdiction within	345
the municipal corporation of Dover, and within Auburn, Bucks,	346
Fairfield, Goshen, Jefferson, Warren, York, Dover, Franklin,	347
Lawrence, Sandy, Sugarcreek, and Wayne townships in Tuscarawas	348
county.	349
The Newton Falls municipal court has jurisdiction within	350
Bristol, Bloomfield, Lordstown, Newton, Braceville, Southington,	351
Farmington, and Mesopotamia townships in Trumbull county.	352
The Niles municipal court has jurisdiction within the	353
municipal corporation of McDonald, and within Weathersfield	354
township in Trumbull county.	355
The Norwalk municipal court has jurisdiction within all of	356
Huron county except within the municipal corporation of Bellevue	357
and except within Lyme and Sherman townships.	358
The Oberlin municipal court has jurisdiction within the	359
municipal corporations of Amherst, Kipton, Rochester, South	360
Amherst, and Wellington, and within Henrietta, Russia, Camden,	361
Pittsfield, Brighton, Wellington, Penfield, Rochester, and	362
Huntington townships, and within all of Amherst township except	363
within the municipal corporation of Lorain, in Lorain county.	364
The Oregon municipal court has jurisdiction within the	365
municipal corporation of Harbor View, and within Jerusalem	366
township, in Lucas county, and north within Maumee Bay and Lake	367
Erie to the boundary line between Ohio and Michigan between the	368
easterly boundary of the court and the easterly boundary of the	369
Toledo municipal court.	370
The Ottawa county municipal court has jurisdiction within	371

Sec. 1901.03. As used in this chapter:	462
(A) "Territory" means the geographical areas within which	463
municipal courts have jurisdiction as provided in sections 1901.01	464
and 1901.02 of the Revised Code.	465
(B) "Legislative authority" means the legislative authority	466
of the municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other	467
than a county-operated municipal court, is located, and means the	468
respective board of county commissioners of the county in which a	469
county-operated municipal court is located.	470
(C) "Chief executive" means the chief executive of the	471
municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other than a	472
county-operated municipal court, is located, and means the	473
respective chairman of the board of county commissioners of the	474
county in which a county-operated municipal court is located.	475
(D) "City treasury" means the treasury of the municipal	476
corporation in which a municipal court, other than a	477
county-operated municipal court, is located.	478
(E) "City treasurer" means the treasurer of the municipal	479
corporation in which a municipal court, other than a	480
county-operated municipal court, is located.	481
(F) "County-operated municipal court" means the Auglaize	482
county, Brown county, Clermont county, Columbiana county, Crawford	483
county, Darke county, Hamilton county, Hocking county, Holmes	484
county, Jackson county, Lawrence county, Madison county, Miami	485
county, Morrow county, Ottawa county, Portage county, or Wayne	486
county municipal court.	487
(G) "A municipal corporation in which a municipal court is	488
located" includes each municipal corporation named in section	489
1901.01 of the Revised Code, but does not include one in which a	490
judge sits pursuant to section 1901.021 of the Revised Code.	491

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Sec. 1901.08. The number of, and the time for election of,	492
judges of the following municipal courts and the beginning of	493
their terms shall be as follows:	494
In the Akron municipal court, two full-time judges shall be	495
elected in 1951, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1953,	496
one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, and one full-time	497
judge shall be elected in 1975.	498
In the Alliance municipal court, one full-time judge shall be	499
elected in 1953.	500
In the Ashland municipal court, one full-time judge shall be	501
elected in 1951.	502
In the Ashtabula municipal court, one full-time judge shall	503
be elected in 1953.	504
In the Athens county municipal court, one full-time judge	505
shall be elected in 1967.	506
In the Auglaize county municipal court, one full-time judge	507
shall be elected in 1975.	508
In the Avon Lake municipal court, one part-time judge shall	509
be elected in 1957.	510
In the Barberton municipal court, one full-time judge shall	511
be elected in 1969, and one full-time judge shall be elected in	512
1971.	513
In the Bedford municipal court, one full-time judge shall be	514
elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1979.	515
In the Bellefontaine municipal court, one full-time judge	516
shall be elected in 1993.	517
In the Bellevue municipal court, one part-time judge shall be	518
elected in 1951.	519

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In the Hamilton county municipal court, five full-time judges

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until the end of that judge's term on December 31, 2001.

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In the Parma municipal court, one full-time judge shall be	754
elected in 1951, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, and	755
one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	756
In the Perrysburg municipal court, one full-time judge shall	757
be elected in 1977.	758
In the Portage county municipal court, two full-time judges	759
shall be elected in 1979, and one full-time judge shall be elected	760
in 1971.	761
In the Port Clinton municipal court, one full-time judge	762
shall be elected in 1953. The full-time judge of the Port Clinton	763
municipal court who is elected in 1989 shall serve as the judge of	764
the Ottawa county municipal court from February 4, 1994, until the	765
end of that judge's term.	766
In the Portsmouth municipal court, one full-time judge shall	767
be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in	768
1985.	769
In the Rocky River municipal court, one full-time judge shall	770
be elected in 1957, and one full-time judge shall be elected in	771
1971.	772
In the Sandusky municipal court, one full-time judge shall be	773
elected in 1953.	774
In the Shaker Heights municipal court, one full-time judge	775
shall be elected in 1957.	776
In the Shelby municipal court, one part-time judge shall be	777
elected in 1957.	778
In the Sidney municipal court, one full-time judge shall be	779
elected in 1995.	780
In the South Euclid municipal court, one full-time judge	781
shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected in 1993,	782
whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve until	783

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In the Warren municipal court, one full-time judge shall be	813
elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	814
In the Washington Court House municipal court, one full-time	815
judge shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected in	816
1993, whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve until	817
December 31, 1999, and the office of that judge is abolished on	818
January 1, 2000.	819
In the Wayne county municipal court, one full-time judge	820
shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected	821
in 1979.	822
In the Willoughby municipal court, one full-time judge shall	823
be elected in 1951.	824
In the Wilmington municipal court, one full-time judge shall	825
be elected in 1991, who shall serve as the judge of the Wilmington	826
municipal court through June 30, 1992, and as the judge of the	827
Clinton county municipal court from July 1, 1992, until the end of	828
that judge's term on December 31, 1997.	829
In the Xenia municipal court, one full-time judge shall be	830
elected in 1977.	831
In the Youngstown municipal court, one full-time judge shall	832
be elected in 1951, and two full-time judges shall be elected in	833
1953.	834
In the Zanesville municipal court, one full-time judge shall	835
be elected in 1953.	836
Sec. 1901.31. The clerk and deputy clerks of a municipal	837
court shall be selected, be compensated, give bond, and have	838
powers and duties as follows:	839
(A) There shall be a clerk of the court who is appointed or	840

elected as follows:

(1)(a) Except in the Akron, Barberton, Cuyahoga Falls,	842
Toledo, Hamilton county, Portage county, and Wayne county	843
municipal courts, if the population of the territory equals or	844
exceeds one hundred thousand at the regular municipal election	845
immediately preceding the expiration of the term of the present	846
clerk, the clerk shall be nominated and elected by the qualified	847
electors of the territory in the manner that is provided for the	848
nomination and election of judges in section 1901.07 of the	849
Revised Code.	850

The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of six 851 years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 852 following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 853 successor is elected and qualified. 854

- (b) In the Hamilton county municipal court, the clerk of 855 courts of Hamilton county shall be the clerk of the municipal 856 court and may appoint an assistant clerk who shall receive the 857 compensation, payable out of the treasury of Hamilton county in 858 semimonthly installments, that the board of county commissioners 859 prescribes. The clerk of courts of Hamilton county, acting as the 860 clerk of the Hamilton county municipal court and assuming the 861 duties of that office, shall receive compensation at one-fourth 862 the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common 863 pleas as determined in accordance with the population of the 864 county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of 865 the Revised Code. This compensation shall be paid from the county 866 treasury in semimonthly installments and is in addition to the 867 annual compensation that is received for the performance of the 868 duties of the clerk of courts of Hamilton county, as provided in 869 sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. 870
- (c) In the Portage county and Wayne county municipal courts, 871 the clerks of courts of Portage county and Wayne county shall be 872 the clerks, respectively, of the Portage county and Wayne county 873

874 municipal courts and may appoint a chief deputy clerk for each 875 branch that is established pursuant to section 1901.311 of the 876 Revised Code and assistant clerks as the judges of the municipal 877 court determine are necessary, all of whom shall receive the 878 compensation that the legislative authority prescribes. The clerks 879 of courts of Portage county and Wayne county, acting as the clerks 880 of the Portage county and Wayne county municipal courts and 881 assuming the duties of these offices, shall receive compensation 882 payable from the county treasury in semimonthly installments at 883 one-fourth the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of 884 common pleas as determined in accordance with the population of 885 the county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 886 of the Revised Code.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(d) of 887 this section, in the Akron municipal court, candidates for 888 election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by 889 primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day 890 specified in the charter of the city of Akron for the nomination 891 of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of 892 section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the declarations 893 of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and the 894 nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office of 895 clerk of the Akron municipal court shall be signed by at least 896 fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court. 897

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 898 petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 899 later than four p.m. of the seventy-fifth day before the day of 900 the primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 901 3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 902 petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 903 applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 904 Revised Code. 905

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 906 any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 907 party for election to the office of clerk of the Akron municipal 908 court, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 909 nominating a candidate of that party for election to that office. 910 If only one person files a valid declaration of candidacy and 911 petition for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 912 party for election to that office, a primary election shall not be 913 held for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 914 election to that office, and the candidate shall be issued a 915 certificate of nomination in the manner set forth in section 916 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 917

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 918 petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 919 of the Akron municipal court shall contain a designation of the 920 term for which the candidate seeks election. At the following 921 regular municipal election, all candidates for the office shall be 922 submitted to the qualified electors of the territory of the court 923 in the manner that is provided in section 1901.07 of the Revised 924 Code for the election of the judges of the court. The clerk so 925 elected shall hold office for a term of six years, which term 926 shall commence on the first day of January following the clerk's 927 election and continue until the clerk's successor is elected and 928 qualified. 929

(e) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(e) of 930 this section, in the Barberton municipal court, candidates for 931 election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by 932 primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day 933 specified in the charter of the city of Barberton for the 934 nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary 935 provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the 936 declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and 937

the nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office	938
of clerk of the Barberton municipal court shall be signed by at	939
least fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court.	940

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 941 petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 942 later than four p.m. of the seventy-fifth day before the day of 943 the primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 944 3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 945 petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 946 applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 947 Revised Code. 948

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 949 any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 950 party for election to the office of clerk of the Barberton 951 municipal court, a primary election shall not be held for the 952 purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for election to 953 that office. If only one person files a valid declaration of 954 candidacy and petition for nomination as a candidate of a 955 particular political party for election to that office, a primary 956 election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating a 957 candidate of that party for election to that office, and the 958 candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the 959 manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 960

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 961 petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 962 of the Barberton municipal court shall contain a designation of 963 the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the following 964 regular municipal election, all candidates for the office shall be 965 submitted to the qualified electors of the territory of the court 966 in the manner that is provided in section 1901.07 of the Revised 967 Code for the election of the judges of the court. The clerk so 968 elected shall hold office for a term of six years, which term 969

shall commence on the first day of January following the clerk's	970
election and continue until the clerk's successor is elected and	971
qualified.	972

(f) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(f) of 973 this section, in the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, candidates 974 for election to the office of clerk of the court shall be 975 nominated by primary election. The primary election shall be held 976 on the day specified in the charter of the city of Cuyahoga Falls 977 for the nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any 978 contrary provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised 979 Code, the declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan 980 candidates and the nominating petitions of independent candidates 981 for the office of clerk of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court 982 shall be signed by at least fifty qualified electors of the 983 territory of the court. 984

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 985 petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 986 later than four p.m. of the seventy-fifth day before the day of 987 the primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 988 3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 989 petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 990 applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 991 Revised Code. 992

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 993 any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 994 party for election to the office of clerk of the Cuyahoga Falls 995 municipal court, a primary election shall not be held for the 996 purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for election to 997 that office. If only one person files a valid declaration of 998 candidacy and petition for nomination as a candidate of a 999 particular political party for election to that office, a primary 1000 election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating a 1001

candidate of that party for election to that office, and the	1002
candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the	1003
manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code.	1004

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1005 petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1006 of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall contain a designation 1007 of the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the 1008 following regular municipal election, all candidates for the 1009 office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1010 territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1011 1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of the 1012 court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of six 1013 years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1014 following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1015 successor is elected and qualified. 1016

(g) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(g) of 1017 this section, in the Toledo municipal court, candidates for 1018 election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by 1019 primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day 1020 specified in the charter of the city of Toledo for the nomination 1021 of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of 1022 section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the declarations 1023 of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and the 1024 nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office of 1025 clerk of the Toledo municipal court shall be signed by at least 1026 fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court. 1027

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1028 petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1029 later than four p.m. of the seventy-fifth day before the day of 1030 the primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1031 3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1032 petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1033

applicable requirements	of section	3513.05 or	3513.257	of the	1034
Revised Code.					1035

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 1036 any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1037 party for election to the office of clerk of the Toledo municipal 1038 court, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 1039 nominating a candidate of that party for election to that office. 1040 If only one person files a valid declaration of candidacy and 1041 petition for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1042 party for election to that office, a primary election shall not be 1043 held for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 1044 election to that office, and the candidate shall be issued a 1045 certificate of nomination in the manner set forth in section 1046 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1047

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1048 petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1049 of the Toledo municipal court shall contain a designation of the 1050 term for which the candidate seeks election. At the following 1051 regular municipal election, all candidates for the office shall be 1052 submitted to the qualified electors of the territory of the court 1053 in the manner that is provided in section 1901.07 of the Revised 1054 Code for the election of the judges of the court. The clerk so 1055 elected shall hold office for a term of six years, which term 1056 shall commence on the first day of January following the clerk's 1057 election and continue until the clerk's successor is elected and 1058 1059 qualified.

(2)(a) Except for the Alliance, Auglaize county, Brown 1060 county, Columbiana county, Holmes county, Lorain, Massillon, and 1061 Youngstown municipal courts, in a municipal court for which the 1062 population of the territory is less than one hundred thousand, the 1063 clerk shall be appointed by the court, and the clerk shall hold 1064 office until the clerk's successor is appointed and qualified. 1065

- (b) In the Alliance, Lorain, Massillon, and Youngstown 1066 municipal courts, the clerk shall be elected for a term of office 1067 as described in division (A)(1)(a) of this section. 1068
- (c) In the Auglaize county and, Brown county, and Holmes 1069 county municipal courts, the clerks of courts of Auglaize county 1070 and, Brown county, and Holmes county shall be the clerks, 1071 respectively, of the Auglaize county and, Brown county, and Holmes 1072 county municipal courts and may appoint a chief deputy clerk for 1073 each branch office that is established pursuant to section 1074 1901.311 of the Revised Code, and assistant clerks as the judge of 1075 the court determines are necessary, all of whom shall receive the 1076 compensation that the legislative authority prescribes. The clerks 1077 of courts of Auglaize county and, Brown county, and Holmes county, 1078 acting as the clerks of the Auglaize county and, Brown county, and 1079 Holmes county municipal courts and assuming the duties of these 1080 offices, shall receive compensation payable from the county 1081 treasury in semimonthly installments at one-fourth the rate that 1082 is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas as 1083 determined in accordance with the population of the county and the 1084 rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. 1085
- (d) In the Columbiana county municipal court, the clerk of 1086 courts of Columbiana county shall be the clerk of the municipal 1087 court, may appoint a chief deputy clerk for each branch office 1088 that is established pursuant to section 1901.311 of the Revised 1089 Code, and may appoint any assistant clerks that the judges of the 1090 court determine are necessary. All of the chief deputy clerks and 1091 assistant clerks shall receive the compensation that the 1092 legislative authority prescribes. The clerk of courts of 1093 Columbiana county, acting as the clerk of the Columbiana county 1094 municipal court and assuming the duties of that office, shall 1095 receive in either biweekly installments or semimonthly 1096 installments, as determined by the payroll administrator, 1097

compensation payable from the county treasury at one-fourth the

rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas

as determined in accordance with the population of the county and
the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised

Code.

- (3) During the temporary absence of the clerk due to illness, 1103 vacation, or other proper cause, the court may appoint a temporary 1104 clerk, who shall be paid the same compensation, have the same 1105 authority, and perform the same duties as the clerk. 1106
- (B) Except in the Hamilton county, Portage county, and Wayne 1107 county municipal courts, if a vacancy occurs in the office of the 1108 clerk of the Alliance, Lorain, Massillon, or Youngstown municipal 1109 court or occurs in the office of the clerk of a municipal court 1110 for which the population of the territory equals or exceeds one 1111 hundred thousand because the clerk ceases to hold the office 1112 before the end of the clerk's term or because a clerk-elect fails 1113 to take office, the vacancy shall be filled, until a successor is 1114 elected and qualified, by a person chosen by the residents of the 1115 territory of the court who are members of the county central 1116 committee of the political party by which the last occupant of 1117 that office or the clerk-elect was nominated. Not less than five 1118 nor more than fifteen days after a vacancy occurs, those members 1119 of that county central committee shall meet to make an appointment 1120 to fill the vacancy. At least four days before the date of the 1121 meeting, the chairperson or a secretary of the county central 1122 committee shall notify each such member of that county central 1123 committee by first class mail of the date, time, and place of the 1124 meeting and its purpose. A majority of all such members of that 1125 county central committee constitutes a quorum, and a majority of 1126 the quorum is required to make the appointment. If the office so 1127 vacated was occupied or was to be occupied by a person not 1128 nominated at a primary election, or if the appointment was not 1129

made by the committee members in accordance with this division,

the court shall make an appointment to fill the vacancy. A

successor shall be elected to fill the office for the unexpired

term at the first municipal election that is held more than one

hundred twenty days after the vacancy occurred.

(C)(1) In a municipal court, other than the Auglaize county, 1135 the Brown county, the Columbiana county, the Holmes county, and 1136 the Lorain municipal courts, for which the population of the 1137 territory is less than one hundred thousand, the clerk of the 1138 municipal court shall receive the annual compensation that the 1139 presiding judge of the court prescribes, if the revenue of the 1140 court for the preceding calendar year, as certified by the auditor 1141 or chief fiscal officer of the municipal corporation in which the 1142 court is located or, in the case of a county-operated municipal 1143 court, the county auditor, is equal to or greater than the 1144 expenditures, including any debt charges, for the operation of the 1145 court payable under this chapter from the city treasury or, in the 1146 case of a county-operated municipal court, the county treasury for 1147 that calendar year, as also certified by the auditor or chief 1148 fiscal officer. If the revenue of a municipal court, other than 1149 the Auglaize county, the Brown county, the Columbiana county, and 1150 the Lorain municipal courts, for which the population of the 1151 territory is less than one hundred thousand for the preceding 1152 calendar year as so certified is not equal to or greater than 1153 those expenditures for the operation of the court for that 1154 calendar year as so certified, the clerk of a municipal court 1155 shall receive the annual compensation that the legislative 1156 authority prescribes. As used in this division, "revenue" means 1157 the total of all costs and fees that are collected and paid to the 1158 city treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1159 treasury by the clerk of the municipal court under division (F) of 1160 this section and all interest received and paid to the city 1161

treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1162 treasury in relation to the costs and fees under division (G) of 1163 this section.

- (2) In a municipal court, other than the Hamilton county, 1165
  Portage county, and Wayne county municipal courts, for which the 1166
  population of the territory is one hundred thousand or more, and 1167
  in the Lorain municipal court, the clerk of the municipal court 1168
  shall receive annual compensation in a sum equal to eighty-five 1169
  per cent of the salary of a judge of the court. 1170
- (3) The compensation of a clerk described in division (C)(1) 1171 or (2) of this section is payable in semimonthly installments from 1172 the same sources and in the same manner as provided in section 1173 1901.11 of the Revised Code. 1174
- (D) Before entering upon the duties of the clerk's office, 1175
  the clerk of a municipal court shall give bond of not less than 1176
  six thousand dollars to be determined by the judges of the court, 1177
  conditioned upon the faithful performance of the clerk's duties. 1178
- (E) The clerk of a municipal court may do all of the 1179 following: administer oaths, take affidavits, and issue executions 1180 upon any judgment rendered in the court, including a judgment for 1181 unpaid costs; issue, sign, and attach the seal of the court to all 1182 writs, process, subpoenas, and papers issuing out of the court; 1183 and approve all bonds, sureties, recognizances, and undertakings 1184 fixed by any judge of the court or by law. The clerk may refuse to 1185 accept for filing any pleading or paper submitted for filing by a 1186 person who has been found to be a vexatious litigator under 1187 section 2323.52 of the Revised Code and who has failed to obtain 1188 leave to proceed under that section. The clerk shall do all of the 1189 following: file and safely keep all journals, records, books, and 1190 papers belonging or appertaining to the court; record the 1191 proceedings of the court; perform all other duties that the judges 1192 of the court may prescribe; and keep a book showing all receipts 1193

and disbursements,	which book	shall be	open for	public	inspection	1194
at all times.						1195

The clerk shall prepare and maintain a general index, a 1196 docket, and other records that the court, by rule, requires, all 1197 of which shall be the public records of the court. In the docket, 1198 the clerk shall enter, at the time of the commencement of an 1199 action, the names of the parties in full, the names of the 1200 counsel, and the nature of the proceedings. Under proper dates, 1201 the clerk shall note the filing of the complaint, issuing of 1202 summons or other process, returns, and any subsequent pleadings. 1203 The clerk also shall enter all reports, verdicts, orders, 1204 judgments, and proceedings of the court, clearly specifying the 1205 relief granted or orders made in each action. The court may order 1206 an extended record of any of the above to be made and entered, 1207 under the proper action heading, upon the docket at the request of 1208 any party to the case, the expense of which record may be taxed as 1209 costs in the case or may be required to be prepaid by the party 1210 demanding the record, upon order of the court. 1211

(F) The clerk of a municipal court shall receive, collect, 1212 and issue receipts for all costs, fees, fines, bail, and other 1213 moneys payable to the office or to any officer of the court. The 1214 clerk shall each month disburse to the proper persons or officers, 1215 and take receipts for, all costs, fees, fines, bail, and other 1216 moneys that the clerk collects. Subject to sections 3375.50 and 1217 4511.193 of the Revised Code and to any other section of the 1218 Revised Code that requires a specific manner of disbursement of 1219 any moneys received by a municipal court and except for the 1220 Hamilton county, Lawrence county, and Ottawa county municipal 1221 courts, the clerk shall pay all fines received for violation of 1222 municipal ordinances into the treasury of the municipal 1223 corporation the ordinance of which was violated and shall pay all 1224 fines received for violation of township resolutions adopted 1225

pursuant to Chapter 504. of the Revised Code into the treasury of	1226
the township the resolution of which was violated. Subject to	1227
sections 1901.024 and 4511.193 of the Revised Code, in the	1228
Hamilton county, Lawrence county, and Ottawa county municipal	1229
courts, the clerk shall pay fifty per cent of the fines received	1230
for violation of municipal ordinances and fifty per cent of the	1231
fines received for violation of township resolutions adopted	1232
pursuant to Chapter 504. of the Revised Code into the treasury of	1233
the county. Subject to sections 3375.50, 3375.53, 4511.19, and	1234
5503.04 of the Revised Code and to any other section of the	1235
Revised Code that requires a specific manner of disbursement of	1236
any moneys received by a municipal court, the clerk shall pay all	1237
fines collected for the violation of state laws into the county	1238
treasury. Except in a county-operated municipal court, the clerk	1239
shall pay all costs and fees the disbursement of which is not	1240
otherwise provided for in the Revised Code into the city treasury.	1241
The clerk of a county-operated municipal court shall pay the costs	1242
and fees the disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for	1243
in the Revised Code into the county treasury. Moneys deposited as	1244
security for costs shall be retained pending the litigation. The	1245
clerk shall keep a separate account of all receipts and	1246
disbursements in civil and criminal cases, which shall be a	1247
permanent public record of the office. On the expiration of the	1248
term of the clerk, the clerk shall deliver the records to the	1249
clerk's successor. The clerk shall have other powers and duties as	1250
are prescribed by rule or order of the court.	1251

(G) All moneys paid into a municipal court shall be noted on 1252 the record of the case in which they are paid and shall be 1253 deposited in a state or national bank, or a domestic savings and 1254 loan association, as defined in section 1151.01 of the Revised 1255 Code, that is selected by the clerk. Any interest received upon 1256 the deposits shall be paid into the city treasury, except that, in 1257

a county-operated municipal court,	the interest shall be paid into	1258
the treasury of the county in whic	th the court is located.	1259

On the first Monday in January of each year, the clerk shall 1260 make a list of the titles of all cases in the court that were 1261 finally determined more than one year past in which there remains 1262 unclaimed in the possession of the clerk any funds, or any part of 1263 a deposit for security of costs not consumed by the costs in the 1264 case. The clerk shall give notice of the moneys to the parties who 1265 are entitled to the moneys or to their attorneys of record. All 1266 the moneys remaining unclaimed on the first day of April of each 1267 year shall be paid by the clerk to the city treasurer, except 1268 that, in a county-operated municipal court, the moneys shall be 1269 paid to the treasurer of the county in which the court is located. 1270 The treasurer shall pay any part of the moneys at any time to the 1271 person who has the right to the moneys upon proper certification 1272 of the clerk. 1273

- (H) Deputy clerks may be appointed by the clerk and shall 1274 receive the compensation, payable in either biweekly installments 1275 or semimonthly installments, as determined by the payroll 1276 administrator, out of the city treasury, that the clerk may 1277 prescribe, except that the compensation of any deputy clerk of a 1278 county-operated municipal court shall be paid out of the treasury 1279 of the county in which the court is located. Each deputy clerk 1280 shall take an oath of office before entering upon the duties of 1281 the deputy clerk's office and, when so qualified, may perform the 1282 duties appertaining to the office of the clerk. The clerk may 1283 require any of the deputy clerks to give bond of not less than 1284 three thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance 1285 of the deputy clerk's duties. 1286
- (I) For the purposes of this section, whenever the population 1287 of the territory of a municipal court falls below one hundred 1288 thousand but not below ninety thousand, and the population of the 1289

territory prior to the most recent regular federal census exceeded	1290
one hundred thousand, the legislative authority of the municipal	1291
corporation may declare, by resolution, that the territory shall	1292
be considered to have a population of at least one hundred	1293
thousand.	1294

- (J) The clerk or a deputy clerk shall be in attendance at all 1295 sessions of the municipal court, although not necessarily in the 1296 courtroom, and may administer oaths to witnesses and jurors and 1297 receive verdicts.
- Sec. 1901.34. (A) Except as provided in divisions (B) and (D) 1299 of this section, the village solicitor, city director of law, or 1300 similar chief legal officer for each municipal corporation within 1301 the territory of a municipal court shall prosecute all cases 1302 brought before the municipal court for criminal offenses occurring 1303 within the municipal corporation for which that person is the 1304 solicitor, director of law, or similar chief legal officer. Except 1305 as provided in division (B) of this section, the village 1306 solicitor, city director of law, or similar chief legal officer of 1307 the municipal corporation in which a municipal court is located 1308 shall prosecute all criminal cases brought before the court 1309 arising in the unincorporated areas within the territory of the 1310 municipal court. 1311
- (B) The Auglaize county, Brown county, Clermont county, 1312 Hocking county, Holmes county, Jackson county, Morrow county, 1313 Ottawa county, and Portage county prosecuting attorneys shall 1314 prosecute in municipal court all violations of state law arising 1315 in their respective counties. The Crawford county, Hamilton 1316 county, Madison county, and Wayne county prosecuting attorneys 1317 shall prosecute all violations of state law arising within the 1318 unincorporated areas of their respective counties. The Columbiana 1319 county prosecuting attorney shall prosecute in the Columbiana 1320

county municipal court all violations of state law arising in the 1321 county, except for violations arising in the municipal corporation 1322 of East Liverpool, Liverpool township, or St. Clair township. The 1323 Darke county prosecuting attorney shall prosecute in the Darke 1324 county municipal court all violations of state law arising in the 1325 county, except for violations of state law arising in the 1326 municipal corporation of Greenville and violations of state law 1327 arising in the village of Versailles. The Greene county 1328 prosecuting attorney may, with the concurrence of the Greene 1329 county board of county commissioners, prosecute in the Fairborn 1330 municipal court all violations of state law arising within the 1331 unincorporated areas of Bath and Beavercreek townships in Greene 1332 county and prosecute in the Xenia municipal court all violations 1333 of state law arising within the unincorporated areas of 1334 Ceasarcreek, Cedarville, Jefferson, Miami, New Jasper, Ross, 1335 Silvercreek, Spring Valley, Sugarcreek, and Xenia townships in 1336 Greene county. 1337

The prosecuting attorney of any county given the duty of 1338 prosecuting in municipal court violations of state law shall 1339 receive no additional compensation for assuming these additional 1340 duties, except that the prosecuting attorney of Hamilton, Portage, 1341 and Wayne counties shall receive compensation at the rate of four 1342 thousand eight hundred dollars per year, and the prosecuting 1343 attorney of Auglaize county shall receive compensation at the rate 1344 of one thousand eight hundred dollars per year, each payable from 1345 the county treasury of the respective counties in semimonthly 1346 installments. 1347

(C) The village solicitor, city director of law, or similar 1348 chief legal officer shall perform the same duties, insofar as they 1349 are applicable to the village solicitor, city director of law, or 1350 similar chief legal officer, as are required of the prosecuting 1351 attorney of the county. The village solicitor, city director of 1352

In the Ashtabula county county court, one part-time judge	1384
shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected	1385
in 1982.	1386
In the Belmont county county court, one part-time judge shall	1387
be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and two	1388
part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence on	1389
January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively.	1390
In the Butler county county court, one part-time judge shall	1391
be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and two	1392
part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence on	1393
January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively.	1394
In the Carroll county county court, one part-time judge shall	1395
be elected in 1982.	1396
In the Erie county county court, one part-time judge shall be	1397
elected in 1982.	1398
In the Fulton county county court, one part-time judge shall	1399
In the Fulton county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in	1399 1400
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in	1400
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1400 1401
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge	1400 1401 1402
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1400 1401 1402 1403
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge	1400 1401 1402 1403 1404
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1400 1401 1402 1403 1404 1405
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Holmes county county court, one part-time judge shall	1400 1401 1402 1403 1404 1405
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Holmes county county court, one part time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1400 1401 1402 1403 1404 1405 1406 1407
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Holmes county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Jefferson county county court, one part-time judge	1400 1401 1402 1403 1404 1405 1406 1407
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Holmes county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Jefferson county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Jefferson county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and	1400 1401 1402 1403 1404 1405 1406 1407 1408 1409
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Holmes county county court, one part time judge shall be elected in 1982.  In the Jefferson county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence	1400 1401 1402 1403 1404 1405 1406 1407 1408 1409 1410

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term to begin January 1, 1961, and the third to be elected in

In Seneca county, two judges, one to be elected in 1956, term

1994, term to begin January 2, 1995;

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As Passed by the Senate	
1956, term to begin January 1, 1957;	1591
In Delaware county, two judges, one to be elected in 1990,	1592
term to begin February 9, 1991, the second to be elected in 1994,	1593
term to begin January 1, 1995;	1594
In Lake county, six judges, one to be elected in 1958, term	1595
to begin January 1, 1959, the second to be elected in 1960, term	1596
to begin January 2, 1961, the third to be elected in 1964, term to	1597
begin January 3, 1965, the fourth and fifth to be elected in 1978,	1598
terms to begin January 4, 1979, and January 5, 1979, respectively,	1599
and the sixth to be elected in 2000, term to begin January 6,	1600
2001;	1601
In Licking county, four judges, one to be elected in 1954,	1602
term to begin February 9, 1955, one to be elected in 1964, term to	1603
begin January 1, 1965, one to be elected in 1990, term to begin	1604
January 1, 1991, and one to be elected in 2004, term to begin	1605
January 1, 2005;	1606
In Lorain county, ten judges, two to be elected in 1952,	1607
terms to begin January 1, 1953, and January 2, 1953, respectively,	1608
one to be elected in 1958, term to begin January 3, 1959, one to	1609
be elected in 1968, term to begin January 1, 1969, two to be	1610
elected in 1988, terms to begin January 4, 1989, and January 5,	1611
1989, respectively, two to be elected in 1998, terms to begin	1612
January 2, 1999, and January 3, 1999, respectively; one to be	1613
elected in 2006, term to begin January 6, 2007; and one to be	1614
elected in 2008, term to begin February 9, 2009, as described in	1615
division (C)(1)(c) of section 2301.03 of the Revised Code;	1616
In Butler county, eleven judges, one to be elected in 1956,	1617
term to begin January 1, 1957; two to be elected in 1954, terms to	1618
begin January 1, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; one to	1619
be elected in 1968, term to begin January 2, 1969; one to be	1620

elected in 1986, term to begin January 3, 1987; two to be elected

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in 1988, terms to begin January 1, 1989, and January 2, 1989,	1622
respectively; one to be elected in 1992, term to begin January 4,	1623
1993; two to be elected in 2002, terms to begin January 2, 2003,	1624
and January 3, 2003, respectively; and one to be elected in 2006,	1625
term to begin January 3, 2007;	1626
In Richland county, four judges, one to be elected in 1956,	1627
term to begin January 1, 1957, the second to be elected in 1960,	1628
term to begin February 9, 1961, the third to be elected in 1968,	1629
term to begin January 2, 1969, and the fourth to be elected in	1630
2004, term to begin January 3, 2005;	1631
In Tuscarawas county, two judges, one to be elected in 1956,	1632
term to begin January 1, 1957, and the second to be elected in	1633
1960, term to begin January 2, 1961;	1634
In Wayne county, two judges, one to be elected in 1956, term	1635
beginning January 1, 1957, and one to be elected in 1968, term to	1636
begin January 2, 1969;	1637
In Trumbull county, six judges, one to be elected in 1952,	1638
term to begin January 1, 1953, the second to be elected in 1954,	1639
term to begin January 1, 1955, the third to be elected in 1956,	1640
term to begin January 1, 1957, the fourth to be elected in 1964,	1641
term to begin January 1, 1965, the fifth to be elected in 1976,	1642
term to begin January 2, 1977, and the sixth to be elected in	1643
1994, term to begin January 3, 1995;	1644
(C) In Cuyahoga county, thirty-nine judges; eight to be	1645
elected in 1954, terms to begin on successive days beginning from	1646
January 1, 1955, to January 7, 1955, and February 9, 1955,	1647
respectively; eight to be elected in 1956, terms to begin on	1648
successive days beginning from January 1, 1957, to January 8,	1649
1957; three to be elected in 1952, terms to begin from January 1,	1650
1953, to January 3, 1953; two to be elected in 1960, terms to	1651

begin on January 8, 1961, and January 9, 1961, respectively; two

to be elected in 1964, terms to begin January 4, 1965, and January	1653
5, 1965, respectively; one to be elected in 1966, term to begin on	1654
January 10, 1967; four to be elected in 1968, terms to begin on	1655
successive days beginning from January 9, 1969, to January 12,	1656
1969; two to be elected in 1974, terms to begin on January 18,	1657
1975, and January 19, 1975, respectively; five to be elected in	1658
1976, terms to begin on successive days beginning January 6, 1977,	1659
to January 10, 1977; two to be elected in 1982, terms to begin	1660
January 11, 1983, and January 12, 1983, respectively; and two to	1661
be elected in 1986, terms to begin January 13, 1987, and January	1662
14, 1987, respectively;	1663

In Franklin county, twenty-two judges; two to be elected in 1664 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, and February 9, 1955, 1665 respectively; four to be elected in 1956, terms to begin January 1666 1, 1957, to January 4, 1957; four to be elected in 1958, terms to 1667 begin January 1, 1959, to January 4, 1959; three to be elected in 1668 1968, terms to begin January 5, 1969, to January 7, 1969; three to 1669 be elected in 1976, terms to begin on successive days beginning 1670 January 5, 1977, to January 7, 1977; one to be elected in 1982, 1671 term to begin January 8, 1983; one to be elected in 1986, term to 1672 begin January 9, 1987; two to be elected in 1990, terms to begin 1673 July 1, 1991, and July 2, 1991, respectively; one to be elected in 1674 1996, term to begin January 2, 1997; and one to be elected in 1675 2004, term to begin July 1, 2005; 1676

In Hamilton county, twenty-one judges; eight to be elected in 1677 1966, terms to begin January 1, 1967, January 2, 1967, and from 1678 February 9, 1967, to February 14, 1967, respectively; five to be 1679 elected in 1956, terms to begin from January 1, 1957, to January 1680 5, 1957; one to be elected in 1964, term to begin January 1, 1965; 1681 one to be elected in 1974, term to begin January 15, 1975; one to 1682 be elected in 1980, term to begin January 16, 1981; two to be 1683 elected at large in the general election in 1982, terms to begin 1684

April 1, 1983; one to be elected in 1990, term to begin July 1,	1685
1991; and two to be elected in 1996, terms to begin January 3,	1686
1997, and January 4, 1997, respectively;	1687

In Lucas county, fourteen judges; two to be elected in 1954, 1688 terms to begin January 1, 1955, and February 9, 1955, 1689 respectively; two to be elected in 1956, terms to begin January 1, 1690 1957, and October 29, 1957, respectively; two to be elected in 1691 1952, terms to begin January 1, 1953, and January 2, 1953, 1692 respectively; one to be elected in 1964, term to begin January 3, 1693 1965; one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 4, 1969; 1694 two to be elected in 1976, terms to begin January 4, 1977, and 1695 January 5, 1977, respectively; one to be elected in 1982, term to 1696 begin January 6, 1983; one to be elected in 1988, term to begin 1697 January 7, 1989; one to be elected in 1990, term to begin January 1698 2, 1991; and one to be elected in 1992, term to begin January 2, 1699 1993; 1700

In Mahoning county, seven judges; three to be elected in 1701 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, January 2, 1955, and 1702 February 9, 1955, respectively; one to be elected in 1956, term to 1703 begin January 1, 1957; one to be elected in 1952, term to begin 1704 January 1, 1953; one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 1, 1969; and one to be elected in 1990, term to begin July 1, 1706 1991;

In Montgomery county, fifteen judges; three to be elected in 1708 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, January 2, 1955, and January 1709 3, 1955, respectively; four to be elected in 1952, terms to begin 1710 January 1, 1953, January 2, 1953, July 1, 1953, and July 2, 1953, 1711 respectively; one to be elected in 1964, term to begin January 3, 1712 1965; one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 3, 1969; 1713 three to be elected in 1976, terms to begin on successive days 1714 beginning January 4, 1977, to January 6, 1977; two to be elected 1715 in 1990, terms to begin July 1, 1991, and July 2, 1991, 1716

respectively;	and	one	to	be	elected	in	1992,	term	to	begin	January	1717
1, 1993.												1718

In Stark county, eight judges; one to be elected in 1958, 1719 term to begin on January 2, 1959; two to be elected in 1954, terms 1720 to begin on January 1, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; 1721 two to be elected in 1952, terms to begin January 1, 1953, and 1722 April 16, 1953, respectively; one to be elected in 1966, term to 1723 begin on January 4, 1967; and two to be elected in 1992, terms to 1724 begin January 1, 1993, and January 2, 1993, respectively; 1725

In Summit county, eleven thirteen judges; four to be elected 1726 in 1954, terms to begin January 1, 1955, January 2, 1955, January 1727 3, 1955, and February 9, 1955, respectively; three to be elected 1728 in 1958, terms to begin January 1, 1959, January 2, 1959, and May 1729 17, 1959, respectively; one to be elected in 1966, term to begin 1730 January 4, 1967; one to be elected in 1968, term to begin January 1731 5, 1969; one to be elected in 1990, term to begin May 1, 1991; and 1732 one to be elected in 1992, term to begin January 6, 1993; and two 1733 to be elected in 2008, terms to begin January 5, 2009, and January 1734 6, 2009, respectively. 1735

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, in any county 1736 having two or more judges of the court of common pleas, in which 1737 more than one-third of the judges plus one were previously elected 1738 at the same election, if the office of one of those judges so 1739 elected becomes vacant more than forty days prior to the second 1740 general election preceding the expiration of that judge's term, 1741 the office that that judge had filled shall be abolished as of the 1742 date of the next general election, and a new office of judge of 1743 the court of common pleas shall be created. The judge who is to 1744 fill that new office shall be elected for a six-year term at the 1745 next general election, and the term of that judge shall commence 1746 on the first day of the year following that general election, on 1747 which day no other judge's term begins, so that the number of 1748

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judges that the county shall elect shall not be reduced.

Judges of the probate division of the court of common pleas 1750 are judges of the court of common pleas but shall be elected 1751 pursuant to sections 2101.02 and 2101.021 of the Revised Code, 1752 except in Adams, Harrison, Henry, Morgan, Noble, and Wyandot 1753 counties in which the judge of the court of common pleas elected 1754 pursuant to this section also shall serve as judge of the probate 1755 division, except in Lorain county in which the judges of the 1756 domestic relations division of the Lorain county court of common 1757 pleas elected pursuant to this section also shall perform the 1758 duties and functions of the judge of the probate division, and 1759 except in Morrow county in which the successors to the judge of 1760 the court of common pleas elected in 1956 pursuant to this section 1761 also shall serve as judge of the probate division. 1762

Section 2. That existing sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03,17631901.08, 1901.31, 1901.34, 1907.11, and 2301.02 of the Revised1764Code are hereby repealed.1765

Section 3. (A) Effective January 1, 2007, the Holmes County 1766

County Court is abolished. 1767

(B) All causes, executions, and other proceedings pending in 1768 the Holmes County County Court at the close of business on 1769 December 31, 2006, shall be transferred to and proceed in the 1770 Holmes County Municipal Court on January 1, 2007, as if originally 1771 instituted in the Holmes County Municipal Court. Parties to those 1772 causes, judgments, executions, and proceedings may make any 1773 amendments to their pleadings that are required to conform them to 1774 the rules of the Holmes County Municipal Court. The Clerk of the 1775 Holmes County County Court or other custodian shall transfer to 1776 the Holmes County Municipal Court all pleadings, orders, entries, 1777 dockets, bonds, papers, records, books, exhibits, files, moneys, 1778

(2) Three members of the Senate appointed by the President of

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the House Minority Caucus;

Service Commission and the employees of the Ohio Supreme Court

shall provide staff support for the Committee.

- (C) The Committee shall study the determination, assessment, 1840 collection, and allocation of court costs and filing fees in 1841 criminal actions and in civil actions and proceedings in this 1842 state, including the amount of court costs and filing fees paid by 1843 the parties to civil actions and proceedings or by defendants in 1844 criminal actions. The Committee also shall review and study where 1845 the money collected is deposited. Based on the Committee's 1846 findings, the Committee shall prepare recommendations for any 1847 changes that the Committee believes need to be made to the current 1848 system for court costs and filing fees. 1849
- (D) The Committee shall submit written findings and 1850 recommendations not later than one year after the effective date 1851 of this act to the justices and Chief Justice of the Ohio Supreme 1852 Court, the General Assembly, and the Governor. On the Committee's 1853 submission of its written findings and recommendations, the 1854 Committee shall cease to exist.
- (E) All meetings of the Committee are public meetings and 1856 shall be open to the public at all times. A member of the 1857 Committee shall be present in person at a meeting that is open to 1858 the public in order to be considered present or to vote at the 1859 meeting and for the purposes of determining whether a quorum is 1860 present. The chairs of the Committee shall promptly prepare and 1861 maintain the minutes of the meetings, and the minutes shall be 1862 public records pursuant to section 149.43 of the Revised Code. The 1863 committee shall give reasonable notice of the Committee's meetings 1864 so that any person may determine the time and place of all 1865 scheduled meetings. The Committee shall not hold a meeting unless 1866 the Committee gives at least twenty-four hours advance notice to 1867 the news media organizations that have requested notification of 1868 the Committee's meetings. 1869