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A B I L L

To amend sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.07,	1
1901.08, 1901.31, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code	2
to abolish the Sandusky County County Court, to	3
create the Sandusky County Municipal Court, to	4
provide that the judge of the Sandusky County	5
Municipal Court shall be nominated by petition, to	6
designate the clerk of courts of Sandusky County	7
the clerk of the Sandusky County Municipal Court,	8
to abolish the Trumbull County County Court, to	9
create the Trumbull County Municipal Court, to	10
create a full-time judgeship for the Trumbull	11
County Municipal Court, and to provide that the	12
judge be nominated by petition and elected in 2017	13
for a six-year term.	14

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

Section 1. That sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.07,	15
1901.08, 1901.31, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code be amended to	16
read as follows:	17

Sec. 1901.01. (A) There is hereby established a municipal 18
court in each of the following municipal corporations: 19

Akron, Alliance, Ashland, Ashtabula, Athens, Avon Lake, 20
Barberton, Bedford, Bellefontaine, Bellevue, Berea, Bowling Green, 21
Bryan, Bucyrus, Cambridge, Campbell, Canton, Carrollton, Celina, 22
Chardon, Chesapeake, Chillicothe, Cincinnati, Circleville, 23
Cleveland, Cleveland Heights, Columbus, Conneaut, Coshocton, 24
Cuyahoga Falls, Dayton, Defiance, Delaware, East Cleveland, East 25
Liverpool, Eaton, Elyria, Euclid, Fairborn, Fairfield, Findlay, 26
Fostoria, Franklin, Fremont, Gallipolis, Garfield Heights, 27
Georgetown, Girard, Greenville, Hamilton, Hillsboro, Huron, 28
Ironton, Jackson, Kenton, Kettering, Lakewood, Lancaster, Lebanon, 29
Lima, Logan, London, Lorain, Lyndhurst, Mansfield, Marietta, 30
Marion, Marysville, Mason, Massillon, Maumee, Medina, Mentor, 31
Miamisburg, Middletown, Millersburg, Mount Gilead, Mount Vernon, 32
Napoleon, Newark, New Philadelphia, Newton Falls, Niles, Norwalk, 33
Oakwood, Oberlin, Oregon, Ottawa, Painesville, Parma, Perrysburg, 34
Port Clinton, Portsmouth, Ravenna, Rocky River, Sandusky, Shaker 35
Heights, Shelby, Sidney, South Euclid, Springfield, Steubenville, 36
Struthers, Sylvania, Tiffin, Toledo, Troy, Upper Sandusky, Urbana, 37
Vandalia, Van Wert, Vermilion, Wadsworth, Wapakoneta, Warren, City 38
of Washington in Fayette county, to be known as Washington Court 39
House, Willoughby, Wilmington, Wooster, Xenia, Youngstown, and 40
Zanesville. 41

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

(C) There is hereby established a municipal court within 49
Columbiana county in Lisbon or in any other municipal corporation 50
or unincorporated territory within Columbiana county, except the 51
municipal corporation of East Liverpool or Liverpool or St. Clair 52
township, that is selected by the judges of the municipal court 53
pursuant to division (I) of section 1901.021 of the Revised Code. 54

(D) Effective January 1, 2008, there is hereby established a 55
municipal court within Erie county in Milan or in any other 56
municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within Erie 57
county that is within the territorial jurisdiction of the Erie 58
county municipal court and is selected by the legislative 59
authority of that court. 60

(E) The Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall remain in 61
existence until December 31, 2008, and shall be replaced by the 62
Stow municipal court on January 1, 2009. 63

(F) Effective January 1, 2009, there is hereby established a 64
municipal court in the municipal corporation of Stow. 65

(G) Effective July 1, 2010, there is hereby established a 66
municipal court within Montgomery county in any municipal 67
corporation or unincorporated territory within Montgomery county, 68
except the municipal corporations of Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, 69
Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, 70
Union, Vandalia, and West Carrollton and Butler, German, Harrison, 71
Miami, and Washington townships, that is selected by the 72
legislative authority of that court. 73

(H) Effective January 1, 2013, there is hereby established a 74
municipal court within Sandusky county in any municipal 75
corporation or unincorporated territory within Sandusky county, 76
except the municipal corporations of Bellevue and Fremont and 77
Ballville, Sandusky, and York townships, that is selected by the 78
legislative authority of that court. 79

(I) Effective January 1, 2013, there is hereby established a 80
municipal court within Trumbull county in any municipal 81
corporation or unincorporated territory within Trumbull county, 82
except the municipal corporations of Girard, McDonald, Newton 83
Falls, Niles, and Warren and Bloomfield, Braceville, Bristol, 84
Champion, Farmington, Howland, Hubbard, Liberty, Lordstown, 85
Mesopotamia, Newton, Southington, Vienna, Warren, and 86
Weathersfield townships, that is selected by the legislative 87
authority of that court. 88

Sec. 1901.02. (A) The municipal courts established by section 89
1901.01 of the Revised Code have jurisdiction within the corporate 90
limits of their respective municipal corporations, or, for the 91
Clermont county municipal court, the Columbiana county municipal 92
court, and, effective January 1, 2008, the Erie county municipal 93
court, within the municipal corporation or unincorporated 94
territory in which they are established, and are courts of record. 95
Each of the courts shall be styled 96
"..... municipal court," inserting 97
the name of the municipal corporation, except the following 98
courts, which shall be styled as set forth below: 99

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

(2) The municipal court established in Cincinnati that shall 102
be styled and known as the "Hamilton county municipal court"; 103

(3) The municipal court established in Ravenna that shall be 104
styled and known as the "Portage county municipal court"; 105

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

(5) The municipal court established in Columbus that shall be 108
styled and known as the "Franklin county municipal court"; 109

- (6) The municipal court established in London that shall be 110
styled and known as the "Madison county municipal court"; 111
- (7) The municipal court established in Newark that shall be 112
styled and known as the "Licking county municipal court"; 113
- (8) The municipal court established in Wooster that shall be 114
styled and known as the "Wayne county municipal court"; 115
- (9) The municipal court established in Wapakoneta that shall 116
be styled and known as the "Auglaize county municipal court"; 117
- (10) The municipal court established in Troy that shall be 118
styled and known as the "Miami county municipal court"; 119
- (11) The municipal court established in Bucyrus that shall be 120
styled and known as the "Crawford county municipal court"; 121
- (12) The municipal court established in Logan that shall be 122
styled and known as the "Hocking county municipal court"; 123
- (13) The municipal court established in Urbana that shall be 124
styled and known as the "Champaign county municipal court"; 125
- (14) The municipal court established in Jackson that shall be 126
styled and known as the "Jackson county municipal court"; 127
- (15) The municipal court established in Springfield that 128
shall be styled and known as the "Clark county municipal court"; 129
- (16) The municipal court established in Kenton that shall be 130
styled and known as the "Hardin county municipal court"; 131
- (17) The municipal court established within Clermont county 132
in Batavia or in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated 133
territory within Clermont county that is selected by the 134
legislative authority of that court that shall be styled and known 135
as the "Clermont county municipal court"; 136
- (18) The municipal court established in Wilmington that, 137
beginning July 1, 1992, shall be styled and known as the "Clinton 138

county municipal court";	139
(19) The municipal court established in Port Clinton that	140
shall be styled and known as "the Ottawa county municipal court";	141
(20) The municipal court established in Lancaster that,	142
beginning January 2, 2000, shall be styled and known as the	143
"Fairfield county municipal court";	144
(21) The municipal court established within Columbiana county	145
in Lisbon or in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated	146
territory selected pursuant to division (I) of section 1901.021 of	147
the Revised Code, that shall be styled and known as the	148
"Columbiana county municipal court";	149
(22) The municipal court established in Georgetown that,	150
beginning February 9, 2003, shall be styled and known as the	151
"Brown county municipal court";	152
(23) The municipal court established in Mount Gilead that,	153
beginning January 1, 2003, shall be styled and known as the	154
"Morrow county municipal court";	155
(24) The municipal court established in Greenville that,	156
beginning January 1, 2005, shall be styled and known as the "Darke	157
county municipal court";	158
(25) The municipal court established in Millersburg that,	159
beginning January 1, 2007, shall be styled and known as the	160
"Holmes county municipal court";	161
(26) The municipal court established in Carrollton that,	162
beginning January 1, 2007, shall be styled and known as the	163
"Carroll county municipal court";	164
(27) The municipal court established within Erie county in	165
Milan or established in any other municipal corporation or	166
unincorporated territory that is within Erie county, is within the	167
territorial jurisdiction of that court, and is selected by the	168

legislative authority of that court that, beginning January 1, 169
2008, shall be styled and known as the "Erie county municipal 170
court"; 171

(28) The municipal court established in Ottawa that, 172
beginning January 1, 2011, shall be styled and known as the 173
"Putnam county municipal court"; 174

(29) The municipal court established within Montgomery county 175
in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within 176
Montgomery county, except the municipal corporations of 177
Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, 178
Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, Union, Vandalia, and West Carrollton 179
and Butler, German, Harrison, Miami, and Washington townships, 180
that is selected by the legislative authority of that court and 181
that, beginning July 1, 2010, shall be styled and known as the 182
"Montgomery county municipal court"; 183

(30) The municipal court established within Sandusky county 184
in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within 185
Sandusky county, except the municipal corporations of Bellevue and 186
Fremont and Ballville, Sandusky, and York townships, that is 187
selected by the legislative authority of that court and that, 188
beginning January 1, 2013, shall be styled and known as the 189
"Sandusky county municipal court"; 190

(31) The municipal court established within Trumbull county 191
in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within 192
Trumbull county, except the municipal corporations of Girard, 193
McDonald, Newton Falls, Niles, and Warren and Bloomfield, 194
Braceville, Bristol, Champion, Farmington, Howland, Hubbard, 195
Liberty, Lordstown, Mesopotamia, Newton, Southington, Vienna, 196
Warren, and Weathersfield townships that is selected by the 197
legislative authority of that court and that, beginning January 1, 198
2013, shall be styled and known as the "Trumbull county municipal 199
court." 200

(B) In addition to the jurisdiction set forth in division (A)	201
of this section, the municipal courts established by section	202
1901.01 of the Revised Code have jurisdiction as follows:	203
The Akron municipal court has jurisdiction within Bath,	204
Richfield, and Springfield townships, and within the municipal	205
corporations of Fairlawn, Lakemore, and Mogadore, in Summit	206
county.	207
The Alliance municipal court has jurisdiction within	208
Lexington, Marlboro, Paris, and Washington townships in Stark	209
county.	210
The Ashland municipal court has jurisdiction within Ashland	211
county.	212
The Ashtabula municipal court has jurisdiction within	213
Ashtabula, Plymouth, and Saybrook townships in Ashtabula county.	214
The Athens county municipal court has jurisdiction within	215
Athens county.	216
The Auglaize county municipal court has jurisdiction within	217
Auglaize county.	218
The Avon Lake municipal court has jurisdiction within the	219
municipal corporations of Avon and Sheffield in Lorain county.	220
The Barberton municipal court has jurisdiction within	221
Coventry, Franklin, and Green townships, within all of Copley	222
township except within the municipal corporation of Fairlawn, and	223
within the municipal corporations of Clinton and Norton, in Summit	224
county.	225
The Bedford municipal court has jurisdiction within the	226
municipal corporations of Bedford Heights, Oakwood, Glenwillow,	227
Solon, Bentleyville, Chagrin Falls, Moreland Hills, Orange,	228
Warrensville Heights, North Randall, and Woodmere, and within	229
Warrensville and Chagrin Falls townships, in Cuyahoga county.	230

The Bellefontaine municipal court has jurisdiction within Logan county.	231 232
The Bellevue municipal court has jurisdiction within Lyme and Sherman townships in Huron county and within York township in Sandusky county.	233 234 235
The Berea municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Strongsville, Middleburgh Heights, Brook Park, Westview, and Olmsted Falls, and within Olmsted township, in Cuyahoga county.	236 237 238 239
The Bowling Green municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Bairdstown, Bloomdale, Bradner, Custar, Cygnet, Grand Rapids, Haskins, Hoytville, Jerry City, Milton Center, North Baltimore, Pemberville, Portage, Rising Sun, Tontogany, Wayne, West Millgrove, and Weston, and within Bloom Center, Freedom, Grand Rapids, Henry, Jackson, Liberty, Middleton, Milton, Montgomery, Plain, Portage, Washington, Webster, and Weston townships in Wood county.	240 241 242 243 244 245 246 247
Beginning February 9, 2003, the Brown county municipal court has jurisdiction within Brown county.	248 249
The Bryan municipal court has jurisdiction within Williams county.	250 251
The Cambridge municipal court has jurisdiction within Guernsey county.	252 253
The Campbell municipal court has jurisdiction within Coitsville township in Mahoning county.	254 255
The Canton municipal court has jurisdiction within Canton, Lake, Nimishillen, Osnaburg, Pike, Plain, and Sandy townships in Stark county.	256 257 258
The Carroll county municipal court has jurisdiction within Carroll county.	259 260

The Celina municipal court has jurisdiction within Mercer county.	261 262
The Champaign county municipal court has jurisdiction within Champaign county.	263 264
The Chardon municipal court has jurisdiction within Geauga county.	265 266
The Chillicothe municipal court has jurisdiction within Ross county.	267 268
The Circleville municipal court has jurisdiction within Pickaway county.	269 270
The Clark county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clark county.	271 272
The Clermont county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clermont county.	273 274
The Cleveland municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Bratenahl in Cuyahoga county.	275 276
Beginning July 1, 1992, the Clinton county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clinton county.	277 278
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.	279 280 281 282
The Coshocton municipal court has jurisdiction within Coshocton county.	283 284
The Crawford county municipal court has jurisdiction within Crawford county.	285 286
Until December 31, 2008, the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court has jurisdiction within Boston, Hudson, Northfield Center, Sagamore Hills, and Twinsburg townships, and within the municipal	287 288 289

corporations of Boston Heights, Hudson, Munroe Falls, Northfield, 290
Peninsula, Reminderville, Silver Lake, Stow, Tallmadge, Twinsburg, 291
and Macedonia, in Summit county. 292

Beginning January 1, 2005, the Darke county municipal court 293
has jurisdiction within Darke county except within the municipal 294
corporation of Bradford. 295

The Defiance municipal court has jurisdiction within Defiance 296
county. 297

The Delaware municipal court has jurisdiction within Delaware 298
county. 299

The East Liverpool municipal court has jurisdiction within 300
Liverpool and St. Clair townships in Columbiana county. 301

The Eaton municipal court has jurisdiction within Preble 302
county. 303

The Elyria municipal court has jurisdiction within the 304
municipal corporations of Grafton, LaGrange, and North Ridgeville, 305
and within Elyria, Carlisle, Eaton, Columbia, Grafton, and 306
LaGrange townships, in Lorain county. 307

Beginning January 1, 2008, the Erie county municipal court 308
has jurisdiction within Erie county except within the townships of 309
Florence, Huron, Perkins, and Vermilion and the municipal 310
corporations of Bay View, Castalia, Huron, Sandusky, and 311
Vermilion. 312

The Fairborn municipal court has jurisdiction within the 313
municipal corporation of Beaver creek and within Bath and 314
Beaver creek townships in Greene county. 315

Beginning January 2, 2000, the Fairfield county municipal 316
court has jurisdiction within Fairfield county. 317

The Findlay municipal court has jurisdiction within all of 318
Hancock county except within Washington township. 319

The Fostoria municipal court has jurisdiction within Loudon	320
and Jackson townships in Seneca county, within Washington township	321
in Hancock county, and within Perry township, except within the	322
municipal corporation of West Millgrove, in Wood county.	323
The Franklin municipal court has jurisdiction within Franklin	324
township in Warren county.	325
The Franklin county municipal court has jurisdiction within	326
Franklin county.	327
The Fremont municipal court has jurisdiction within Ballville	328
and Sandusky townships in Sandusky county.	329
The Gallipolis municipal court has jurisdiction within Gallia	330
county.	331
The Garfield Heights municipal court has jurisdiction within	332
the municipal corporations of Maple Heights, Walton Hills, Valley	333
View, Cuyahoga Heights, Newburgh Heights, Independence, and	334
Brecksville in Cuyahoga county.	335
The Girard municipal court has jurisdiction within Liberty,	336
Vienna, and Hubbard townships in Trumbull county.	337
The Hamilton municipal court has jurisdiction within Ross and	338
St. Clair townships in Butler county.	339
The Hamilton county municipal court has jurisdiction within	340
Hamilton county.	341
The Hardin county municipal court has jurisdiction within	342
Hardin county.	343
The Hillsboro municipal court has jurisdiction within all of	344
Highland county except within Madison township.	345
The Hocking county municipal court has jurisdiction within	346
Hocking county.	347
The Holmes county municipal court has jurisdiction within	348

Holmes county.	349
The Huron municipal court has jurisdiction within all of	350
Huron township in Erie county except within the municipal	351
corporation of Sandusky.	352
The Ironton municipal court has jurisdiction within Aid,	353
Decatur, Elizabeth, Hamilton, Lawrence, Upper, and Washington	354
townships in Lawrence county.	355
The Jackson county municipal court has jurisdiction within	356
Jackson county.	357
The Kettering municipal court has jurisdiction within the	358
municipal corporations of Centerville and Moraine, and within	359
Washington township, in Montgomery county.	360
Until January 2, 2000, the Lancaster municipal court has	361
jurisdiction within Fairfield county.	362
The Lawrence county municipal court has jurisdiction within	363
the townships of Fayette, Mason, Perry, Rome, Symmes, Union, and	364
Windsor in Lawrence county.	365
The Lebanon municipal court has jurisdiction within	366
Turtlecreek township in Warren county.	367
The Licking county municipal court has jurisdiction within	368
Licking county.	369
The Lima municipal court has jurisdiction within Allen	370
county.	371
The Lorain municipal court has jurisdiction within the	372
municipal corporation of Sheffield Lake, and within Sheffield	373
township, in Lorain county.	374
The Lyndhurst municipal court has jurisdiction within the	375
municipal corporations of Mayfield Heights, Gates Mills, Mayfield,	376
Highland Heights, and Richmond Heights in Cuyahoga county.	377

The Madison county municipal court has jurisdiction within Madison county.	378 379
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.	380 381 382 383 384
The Marietta municipal court has jurisdiction within Washington county.	385 386
The Marion municipal court has jurisdiction within Marion county.	387 388
The Marysville municipal court has jurisdiction within Union county.	389 390
The Mason municipal court has jurisdiction within Deerfield township in Warren county.	391 392
The Massillon municipal court has jurisdiction within Bethlehem, Perry, Sugar Creek, Tuscarawas, Lawrence, and Jackson townships in Stark county.	393 394 395
The Maumee municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Waterville and Whitehouse, within Waterville and Providence townships, and within those portions of Springfield, Monclova, and Swanton townships lying south of the northerly boundary line of the Ohio turnpike, in Lucas county.	396 397 398 399 400
The Medina municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Briarwood Beach, Brunswick, Chippewa-on-the-Lake, and Spencer and within the townships of Brunswick Hills, Chatham, Granger, Hinckley, Lafayette, Litchfield, Liverpool, Medina, Montville, Spencer, and York townships, in Medina county.	401 402 403 404 405 406
The Mentor municipal court has jurisdiction within the	407

municipal corporation of Mentor-on-the-Lake in Lake county.	408
The Miami county municipal court has jurisdiction within	409
Miami county and within the part of the municipal corporation of	410
Bradford that is located in Darke county.	411
The Miamisburg municipal court has jurisdiction within the	412
municipal corporations of Germantown and West Carrollton, and	413
within German and Miami townships in Montgomery county.	414
The Middletown municipal court has jurisdiction within	415
Madison township, and within all of Lemon township, except within	416
the municipal corporation of Monroe, in Butler county.	417
Beginning July 1, 2010, the Montgomery county municipal court	418
has jurisdiction within all of Montgomery county except for the	419
municipal corporations of Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, Englewood,	420
Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, Union,	421
Vandalia, and West Carrollton and Butler, German, Harrison, Miami,	422
and Washington townships.	423
Beginning January 1, 2003, the Morrow county municipal court	424
has jurisdiction within Morrow county.	425
The Mount Vernon municipal court has jurisdiction within Knox	426
county.	427
The Napoleon municipal court has jurisdiction within Henry	428
county.	429
The New Philadelphia municipal court has jurisdiction within	430
the municipal corporation of Dover, and within Auburn, Bucks,	431
Fairfield, Goshen, Jefferson, Warren, York, Dover, Franklin,	432
Lawrence, Sandy, Sugarcreek, and Wayne townships in Tuscarawas	433
county.	434
The Newton Falls municipal court has jurisdiction within	435
Bristol, Bloomfield, Lordstown, Newton, Braceville, Southington,	436
Farmington, and Mesopotamia townships in Trumbull county.	437

The Niles municipal court has jurisdiction within the 438
municipal corporation of McDonald, and within Weathersfield 439
township in Trumbull county. 440

The Norwalk municipal court has jurisdiction within all of 441
Huron county except within the municipal corporation of Bellevue 442
and except within Lyme and Sherman townships. 443

The Oberlin municipal court has jurisdiction within the 444
municipal corporations of Amherst, Kipton, Rochester, South 445
Amherst, and Wellington, and within Henrietta, Russia, Camden, 446
Pittsfield, Brighton, Wellington, Penfield, Rochester, and 447
Huntington townships, and within all of Amherst township except 448
within the municipal corporation of Lorain, in Lorain county. 449

The Oregon municipal court has jurisdiction within the 450
municipal corporation of Harbor View, and within Jerusalem 451
township, in Lucas county, and north within Maumee Bay and Lake 452
Erie to the boundary line between Ohio and Michigan between the 453
easterly boundary of the court and the easterly boundary of the 454
Toledo municipal court. 455

The Ottawa county municipal court has jurisdiction within 456
Ottawa county. 457

The Painesville municipal court has jurisdiction within 458
Painesville, Perry, Leroy, Concord, and Madison townships in Lake 459
county. 460

The Parma municipal court has jurisdiction within the 461
municipal corporations of Parma Heights, Brooklyn, Linndale, North 462
Royalton, Broadview Heights, Seven Hills, and Brooklyn Heights in 463
Cuyahoga county. 464

The Perrysburg municipal court has jurisdiction within the 465
municipal corporations of Luckey, Millbury, Northwood, Rossford, 466
and Walbridge, and within Perrysburg, Lake, and Troy townships, in 467
Wood county. 468

The Portage county municipal court has jurisdiction within 469
Portage county. 470

The Portsmouth municipal court has jurisdiction within Scioto 471
county. 472

The Putnam county municipal court has jurisdiction within 473
Putnam county. 474

The Rocky River municipal court has jurisdiction within the 475
municipal corporations of Bay Village, Westlake, Fairview Park, 476
and North Olmsted, and within Riveredge township, in Cuyahoga 477
county. 478

The Sandusky municipal court has jurisdiction within the 479
municipal corporations of Castalia and Bay View, and within 480
Perkins township, in Erie county. 481

Beginning January 1, 2013, the Sandusky county municipal 482
court has jurisdiction within all of Sandusky county except within 483
the municipal corporations of Bellevue and Fremont and Ballville, 484
Sandusky, and York townships. 485

Beginning January 1, 2013, the Trumbull county municipal 486
court has jurisdiction within all of Trumbull county except within 487
the municipal corporations of Girard, McDonald, Newton Falls, 488
Niles, and Warren and Bloomfield, Braceville, Bristol, Champion, 489
Farmington, Howland, Hubbard, Liberty, Lordstown, Mesopotamia, 490
Newton, Southington, Vienna, Warren, and Weathersfield townships. 491

The Shaker Heights municipal court has jurisdiction within 492
the municipal corporations of University Heights, Beachwood, 493
Pepper Pike, and Hunting Valley in Cuyahoga county. 494

The Shelby municipal court has jurisdiction within Sharon, 495
Jackson, Cass, Plymouth, and Blooming Grove townships, and within 496
all of Butler township except sections 35-36-31 and 32, in 497
Richland county. 498

The Sidney municipal court has jurisdiction within Shelby county.	499 500
Beginning January 1, 2009, the Stow municipal court has jurisdiction within Boston, Hudson, Northfield Center, Sagamore Hills, and Twinsburg townships, and within the municipal corporations of Boston Heights, Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Munroe Falls, Northfield, Peninsula, Reminderville, Silver Lake, Stow, Tallmadge, Twinsburg, and Macedonia, in Summit county.	501 502 503 504 505 506
The Struthers municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Lowellville, New Middleton, and Poland, and within Poland and Springfield townships in Mahoning county.	507 508 509
The Sylvania municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Berkey and Holland, and within Sylvania, Richfield, Spencer, and Harding townships, and within those portions of Swanton, Monclova, and Springfield townships lying north of the northerly boundary line of the Ohio turnpike, in Lucas county.	510 511 512 513 514 515
The Tiffin municipal court has jurisdiction within Adams, Big Spring, Bloom, Clinton, Eden, Hopewell, Liberty, Pleasant, Reed, Scipio, Seneca, Thompson, and Venice townships in Seneca county.	516 517 518
The Toledo municipal court has jurisdiction within Washington township, and within the municipal corporation of Ottawa Hills, in Lucas county.	519 520 521
The Upper Sandusky municipal court has jurisdiction within Wyandot county.	522 523
The Vandalia municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Clayton, Englewood, and Union, and within Butler, Harrison, and Randolph townships, in Montgomery county.	524 525 526 527
The Van Wert municipal court has jurisdiction within Van Wert	528

county.	529
The Vermilion municipal court has jurisdiction within the	530
townships of Vermilion and Florence in Erie county and within all	531
of Brownhelm township except within the municipal corporation of	532
Lorain, in Lorain county.	533
The Wadsworth municipal court has jurisdiction within the	534
municipal corporations of Gloria Glens Park, Lodi, Seville, and	535
Westfield Center, and within Guilford, Harrisville, Homer, Sharon,	536
Wadsworth, and Westfield townships in Medina county.	537
The Warren municipal court has jurisdiction within Warren and	538
Champion townships, and within all of Howland township except	539
within the municipal corporation of Niles, in Trumbull county.	540
The Washington Court House municipal court has jurisdiction	541
within Fayette county.	542
The Wayne county municipal court has jurisdiction within	543
Wayne county.	544
The Willoughby municipal court has jurisdiction within the	545
municipal corporations of Eastlake, Wickliffe, Willowick,	546
Willoughby Hills, Kirtland, Kirtland Hills, Waite Hill,	547
Timberlake, and Lakeline, and within Kirtland township, in Lake	548
county.	549
Through June 30, 1992, the Wilmington municipal court has	550
jurisdiction within Clinton county.	551
The Xenia municipal court has jurisdiction within	552
Caesarcreek, Cedarville, Jefferson, Miami, New Jasper, Ross,	553
Silvercreek, Spring Valley, Sugarcreek, and Xenia townships in	554
Greene county.	555
(C) As used in this section:	556
(1) "Within a township" includes all land, including, but not	557
limited to, any part of any municipal corporation, that is	558

physically located within the territorial boundaries of that township, whether or not that land or municipal corporation is governmentally a part of the township.

(2) "Within a municipal corporation" includes all land within the territorial boundaries of the municipal corporation and any townships that are coextensive with the municipal corporation.

Sec. 1901.03. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Territory" means the geographical areas within which municipal courts have jurisdiction as provided in sections 1901.01 and 1901.02 of the Revised Code.

(B) "Legislative authority" means the legislative authority of the municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other than a county-operated municipal court, is located, and means the respective board of county commissioners of the county in which a county-operated municipal court is located.

(C) "Chief executive" means the chief executive of the municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other than a county-operated municipal court, is located, and means the respective chairman of the board of county commissioners of the county in which a county-operated municipal court is located.

(D) "City treasury" means the treasury of the municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other than a county-operated municipal court, is located.

(E) "City treasurer" means the treasurer of the municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other than a county-operated municipal court, is located.

(F) "County-operated municipal court" means the Auglaize county, Brown county, Carroll county, Clermont county, Columbiana county, Crawford county, Darke county, Erie county, Hamilton county, Hocking county, Holmes county, Jackson county, Lawrence

county, Madison county, Miami county, Montgomery county, Morrow 589
county, Ottawa county, Portage county, Putnam county, or Wayne 590
county municipal court and, effective January 1, ~~2008~~ 2013, also 591
includes the Erie Sandusky county municipal court and the Trumbull 592
county municipal court. 593

(G) "A municipal corporation in which a municipal court is 594
located" includes each municipal corporation named in section 595
1901.01 of the Revised Code, but does not include one in which a 596
judge sits pursuant to any provision of section 1901.021 of the 597
Revised Code except division (M) of that section. 598

Sec. 1901.07. (A) All municipal court judges shall be elected 599
on the nonpartisan ballot for terms of six years. In a municipal 600
court in which only one judge is to be elected in any one year, 601
that judge's term commences on the first day of January after the 602
election. In a municipal court in which two or more judges are to 603
be elected in any one year, their terms commence on successive 604
days beginning the first day of January, following the election, 605
unless otherwise provided by section 1901.08 of the Revised Code. 606
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(B) All candidates for municipal court judge may be nominated 608
either by nominating petition or by primary election, except that 609
if the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends only to the 610
corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which the court 611
is located and that municipal corporation operates under a 612
charter, all candidates shall be nominated in the same manner 613
provided in the charter for the office of municipal court judge 614
or, if no specific provisions are made in the charter for the 615
office of municipal court judge, in the same manner as the charter 616
prescribes for the nomination and election of the legislative 617
authority of the municipal corporation. 618

If the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends beyond the 619

corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 620
located or if the jurisdiction of the court does not extend beyond 621
the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 622
located and no charter provisions apply, all candidates for party 623
nomination to the office of municipal court judge shall file a 624
declaration of candidacy and petition not later than four p.m. of 625
the ninetieth day before the day of the primary election in the 626
form prescribed by section 3513.07 of the Revised Code. The 627
petition shall conform to the requirements provided for those 628
petitions of candidacy contained in section 3513.05 of the Revised 629
Code, except that the petition shall be signed by at least fifty 630
electors of the territory of the court. If no valid declaration of 631
candidacy is filed for nomination as a candidate of a political 632
party for election to the office of municipal court judge, or if 633
the number of persons filing the declarations of candidacy for 634
nominations as candidates of one political party for election to 635
the office does not exceed the number of candidates that that 636
party is entitled to nominate as its candidates for election to 637
the office, no primary election shall be held for the purpose of 638
nominating candidates of that party for election to the office, 639
and the candidates shall be issued certificates of nomination in 640
the manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 641

If the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends beyond the 642
corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 643
located or if the jurisdiction of the court does not extend beyond 644
the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 645
located and no charter provisions apply, nonpartisan candidates 646
for the office of municipal court judge shall file nominating 647
petitions not later than four p.m. of the day before the day of 648
the primary election in the form prescribed by section 3513.261 of 649
the Revised Code. The petition shall conform to the requirements 650
provided for those petitions of candidacy contained in section 651
3513.257 of the Revised Code, except that the petition shall be 652

signed by at least fifty electors of the territory of the court. 653

The nominating petition or declaration of candidacy for a 654
municipal court judge shall contain a designation of the term for 655
which the candidate seeks election. At the following regular 656
municipal election, the candidacies of the judges nominated shall 657
be submitted to the electors of the territory on a nonpartisan, 658
judicial ballot in the same manner as provided for judges of the 659
court of common pleas, except that, in a municipal corporation 660
operating under a charter, all candidates for municipal court 661
judge shall be elected in conformity with the charter if 662
provisions are made in the charter for the election of municipal 663
court judges. 664

(C) Notwithstanding divisions (A) and (B) of this section, in 665
the following municipal courts, the judges shall be nominated and 666
elected as follows: 667

(1) In the Cleveland municipal court, the judges shall be 668
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 669
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be in 670
the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and within the 671
time prescribed by the charter of the city of Cleveland for filing 672
petitions of candidates for municipal offices. Each elector shall 673
have the right to sign petitions for as many candidates as are to 674
be elected, but no more. The judges shall be elected by the 675
electors of the territory of the court in the manner provided by 676
law for the election of judges of the court of common pleas. 677

(2) In the Toledo municipal court, the judges shall be 678
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 679
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be in 680
the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and within the 681
time prescribed by the charter of the city of Toledo for filing 682
nominating petitions for city council. Each elector shall have the 683
right to sign petitions for as many candidates as are to be 684

elected, but no more. The judges shall be elected by the electors 685
of the territory of the court in the manner provided by law for 686
the election of judges of the court of common pleas. 687

(3) In the Akron municipal court, the judges shall be 688
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 689
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be in 690
statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and within the 691
time prescribed by the charter of the city of Akron for filing 692
nominating petitions of candidates for municipal offices. Each 693
elector shall have the right to sign petitions for as many 694
candidates as are to be elected, but no more. The judges shall be 695
elected by the electors of the territory of the court in the 696
manner provided by law for the election of judges of the court of 697
common pleas. 698

(4) In the Hamilton county municipal court, the judges shall 699
be nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 700
least one hundred electors of the judicial district of the county 701
from which the candidate seeks election, which petitions shall be 702
signed and filed not later than four p.m. of the day before the 703
day of the primary election in the form prescribed by section 704
3513.261 of the Revised Code. Unless otherwise provided in this 705
section, the petition shall conform to the requirements provided 706
for nominating petitions in section 3513.257 of the Revised Code. 707
The judges shall be elected by the electors of the relative 708
judicial district of the county at the regular municipal election 709
and in the manner provided by law for the election of judges of 710
the court of common pleas. 711

(5) In the Franklin county municipal court, the judges shall 712
be nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 713
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. The petition 714
shall be in the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner 715
and within the time prescribed by the charter of the city of 716

Columbus for filing petitions of candidates for municipal offices. 717
The judges shall be elected by the electors of the territory of 718
the court in the manner provided by law for the election of judges 719
of the court of common pleas. 720

(6) In the Auglaize, Brown, Carroll, Clermont, Crawford, 721
Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Madison, Miami, Morrow, Putnam, 722
Sandusky, Trumbull, and Wayne county municipal courts, the judges 723
shall be nominated only by petition. The petitions shall be signed 724
by at least fifty electors of the territory of the court and shall 725
conform to the provisions of this section. 726

(D) In the Portage county municipal court, the judges shall 727
be nominated either by nominating petition or by primary election, 728
as provided in division (B) of this section. 729

(E) As used in this section, as to an election for either a 730
full or an unexpired term, "the territory within the jurisdiction 731
of the court" means that territory as it will be on the first day 732
of January after the election. 733

Sec. 1901.08. The number of, and the time for election of, 734
judges of the following municipal courts and the beginning of 735
their terms shall be as follows: 736

In the Akron municipal court, two full-time judges shall be 737
elected in 1951, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1953, 738
one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, and one full-time 739
judge shall be elected in 1975. 740

In the Alliance municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 741
elected in 1953. 742

In the Ashland municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 743
elected in 1951. 744

In the Ashtabula municipal court, one full-time judge shall 745
be elected in 1953. 746

In the Athens county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967.	747 748
In the Auglaize county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975.	749 750
In the Avon Lake municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	751 752
In the Barberton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1969, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	753 754 755
In the Bedford municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1979.	756 757
In the Bellefontaine municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1993.	758 759
In the Bellevue municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	760 761
In the Berea municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2005.	762 763
In the Bowling Green municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1983.	764 765
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.	766 767 768 769 770 771
In the Bryan municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1965.	772 773
In the Cambridge municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	774 775

In the Campbell municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 776
elected in 1963. 777

In the Canton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 778
elected in 1951, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1969, and 779
two full-time judges shall be elected in 1977. 780

In the Carroll county municipal court, one full-time judge 781
shall be elected in 2009. Beginning January 1, 2007, the judge 782
elected in 2006 to the part-time judgeship of the Carroll county 783
county court that existed prior to that date shall serve as the 784
full-time judge of the Carroll county municipal court until 785
December 31, 2009. 786

In the Celina municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 787
elected in 1957. 788

In the Champaign county municipal court, one full-time judge 789
shall be elected in 2001. 790

In the Chardon municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 791
elected in 1963. 792

In the Chillicothe municipal court, one full-time judge shall 793
be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 794
1977. 795

In the Circleville municipal court, one full-time judge shall 796
be elected in 1953. 797

In the Clark county municipal court, one full-time judge 798
shall be elected in 1989, and two full-time judges shall be 799
elected in 1991. The full-time judges of the Springfield municipal 800
court who were elected in 1983 and 1985 shall serve as the judges 801
of the Clark county municipal court from January 1, 1988, until 802
the end of their respective terms. 803

In the Clermont county municipal court, two full-time judges 804
shall be elected in 1991, and one full-time judge shall be elected 805

in 1999. 806

In the Cleveland municipal court, six full-time judges shall 807
be elected in 1975, three full-time judges shall be elected in 808
1953, and four full-time judges shall be elected in 1955. 809

In the Cleveland Heights municipal court, one full-time judge 810
shall be elected in 1957. 811

In the Clinton county municipal court, one full-time judge 812
shall be elected in 1997. The full-time judge of the Wilmington 813
municipal court who was elected in 1991 shall serve as the judge 814
of the Clinton county municipal court from July 1, 1992, until the 815
end of that judge's term on December 31, 1997. 816

In the Columbiana county municipal court, two full-time 817
judges shall be elected in 2001. 818

In the Conneaut municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 819
elected in 1953. 820

In the Coshocton municipal court, one full-time judge shall 821
be elected in 1951. 822

In the Crawford county municipal court, one full-time judge 823
shall be elected in 1977. 824

In the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, one full-time judge 825
shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected 826
in 1967. Effective December 31, 2008, the Cuyahoga Falls municipal 827
court shall cease to exist; however, the judges of the Cuyahoga 828
Falls municipal court who were elected pursuant to this section in 829
2003 and 2007 for terms beginning on January 1, 2004, and January 830
1, 2008, respectively, shall serve as full-time judges of the Stow 831
municipal court until December 31, 2009, and December 31, 2013, 832
respectively. 833

In the Darke county municipal court, one full-time judge 834
shall be elected in 2005. Beginning January 1, 2005, the part-time 835

judge of the Darke county court that existed prior to that 836
date whose term began on January 1, 2001, shall serve as the 837
full-time judge of the Darke county municipal court until December 838
31, 2005. 839

In the Dayton municipal court, three full-time judges shall 840
be elected in 1987, their terms to commence on successive days 841
beginning on the first day of January next after their election, 842
and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1955, their terms to 843
commence on successive days beginning on the second day of January 844
next after their election. 845

In the Defiance municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 846
elected in 1957. 847

In the Delaware municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 848
elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 2007. 849

In the East Cleveland municipal court, one full-time judge 850
shall be elected in 1957. 851

In the East Liverpool municipal court, one full-time judge 852
shall be elected in 1953. 853

In the Eaton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 854
elected in 1973. 855

In the Elyria municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 856
elected in 1955, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973. 857

In the Erie county municipal court, one full-time judge shall 858
be elected in 2007. 859

In the Euclid municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 860
elected in 1951. 861

In the Fairborn municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 862
elected in 1977. 863

In the Fairfield county municipal court, one full-time judge 864
shall be elected in 2003, and one full-time judge shall be elected 865

in 2005. 866

In the Fairfield municipal court, one full-time judge shall 867
be elected in 1989. 868

In the Findlay municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 869
elected in 1955, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1993. 870

In the Fostoria municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 871
elected in 1975. 872

In the Franklin municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 873
elected in 1951. 874

In the Franklin county municipal court, two full-time judges 875
shall be elected in 1969, three full-time judges shall be elected 876
in 1971, seven full-time judges shall be elected in 1967, one 877
full-time judge shall be elected in 1975, one full-time judge 878
shall be elected in 1991, and one full-time judge shall be elected 879
in 1997. 880

In the Fremont municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 881
elected in 1975. 882

In the Gallipolis municipal court, one full-time judge shall 883
be elected in 1981. 884

In the Garfield Heights municipal court, one full-time judge 885
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected 886
in 1981. 887

In the Girard municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 888
elected in 1963. 889

In the Hamilton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 890
elected in 1953. 891

In the Hamilton county municipal court, five full-time judges 892
shall be elected in 1967, five full-time judges shall be elected 893
in 1971, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1981, and two 894
full-time judges shall be elected in 1983. All terms of judges of 895

the Hamilton county municipal court shall commence on the first 896
day of January next after their election, except that the terms of 897
the additional judges to be elected in 1981 shall commence on 898
January 2, 1982, and January 3, 1982, and that the terms of the 899
additional judges to be elected in 1983 shall commence on January 900
4, 1984, and January 5, 1984. 901

In the Hardin county municipal court, one part-time judge 902
shall be elected in 1989. 903

In the Hillsboro municipal court, one full-time judge shall 904
be elected in 2011. On and after December 30, 2008, the part-time 905
judge of the Hillsboro municipal court who was elected in 2005 906
shall serve as a full-time judge of the court until the end of 907
that judge's term on December 31, 2011. 908

In the Hocking county municipal court, one full-time judge 909
shall be elected in 1977. 910

In the Holmes county municipal court, one full-time judge 911
shall be elected in 2007. Beginning January 1, 2007, the part-time 912
judge of the Holmes county county court that existed prior to that 913
date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall serve as the 914
full-time judge of the Holmes county municipal court until 915
December 31, 2007. 916

In the Huron municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 917
elected in 1967. 918

In the Ironton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 919
elected in 1951. 920

In the Jackson county municipal court, one full-time judge 921
shall be elected in 2001. On and after March 31, 1997, the 922
part-time judge of the Jackson county municipal court who was 923
elected in 1995 shall serve as a full-time judge of the court 924
until the end of that judge's term on December 31, 2001. 925

In the Kettering municipal court, one full-time judge shall 926
be elected in 1971, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 927
1975. 928

In the Lakewood municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 929
elected in 1955. 930

In the Lancaster municipal court, one full-time judge shall 931
be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 932
1979. Beginning January 2, 2000, the full-time judges of the 933
Lancaster municipal court who were elected in 1997 and 1999 shall 934
serve as judges of the Fairfield county municipal court until the 935
end of those judges' terms. 936

In the Lawrence county municipal court, one part-time judge 937
shall be elected in 1981. 938

In the Lebanon municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 939
elected in 1955. 940

In the Licking county municipal court, one full-time judge 941
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected 942
in 1971. 943

In the Lima municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 944
elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967. 945

In the Lorain municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 946
elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973. 947

In the Lyndhurst municipal court, one full-time judge shall 948
be elected in 1957. 949

In the Madison county municipal court, one full-time judge 950
shall be elected in 1981. 951

In the Mansfield municipal court, one full-time judge shall 952
be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 953
1969. 954

In the Marietta municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 955

elected in 1957.	956
In the Marion municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	957 958
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.	959 960 961 962 963
In the Mason municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1965.	964 965
In the Massillon municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	966 967 968
In the Maumee municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1963.	969 970
In the Medina municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	971 972
In the Mentor municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	973 974
In the Miami county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1979.	975 976 977
In the Miamisburg municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	978 979
In the Middletown municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953.	980 981
In the Montgomery county municipal court:	982
One judge shall be elected in 2011 to a part-time judgeship for a term to begin on January 1, 2012. If any one of the other	983 984

judgeships of the court becomes vacant and is abolished after July 985
1, 2010, this judgeship shall become a full-time judgeship on that 986
date. If only one other judgeship of the court becomes vacant and 987
is abolished as of December 31, 2021, this judgeship shall be 988
abolished as of that date. Beginning July 1, 2010, the part-time 989
judge of the Montgomery county county court that existed before 990
that date whose term commenced on January 1, 2005, shall serve as 991
a part-time judge of the Montgomery county municipal court until 992
December 31, 2011. 993

One judge shall be elected in 2011 to a full-time judgeship 994
for a term to begin on January 2, 2012, and this judgeship shall 995
be abolished on January 1, 2016. Beginning July 1, 2010, the 996
part-time judge of the Montgomery county county court that existed 997
before that date whose term commenced on January 2, 2005, shall 998
serve as a full-time judge of the Montgomery county municipal 999
court until January 1, 2012. 1000

One judge shall be elected in 2013 to a full-time judgeship 1001
for a term to begin on January 2, 2014. Beginning July 1, 2010, 1002
the part-time judge of the Montgomery county county court that 1003
existed before that date whose term commenced on January 2, 2007, 1004
shall serve as a full-time judge of the Montgomery county 1005
municipal court until January 1, 2014. 1006

One judge shall be elected in 2013 to a judgeship for a term 1007
to begin on January 1, 2014. If no other judgeship of the court 1008
becomes vacant and is abolished by January 1, 2014, this judgeship 1009
shall be a part-time judgeship. When one or more of the other 1010
judgeships of the court becomes vacant and is abolished after July 1011
1, 2010, this judgeship shall become a full-time judgeship. 1012
Beginning July 1, 2010, the part-time judge of the Montgomery 1013
county county court that existed before that date whose term 1014
commenced on January 1, 2007, shall serve as this judge of the 1015
Montgomery county municipal court until December 31, 2013. 1016

If any one of the judgeships of the court becomes vacant 1017
before December 31, 2021, that judgeship is abolished on the date 1018
that it becomes vacant, and the other judges of the court shall be 1019
or serve as full-time judges. The abolishment of judgeships for 1020
the Montgomery county municipal court shall cease when the court 1021
has two full-time judgeships. 1022

In the Morrow county municipal court, one full-time judge 1023
shall be elected in 2005. Beginning January 1, 2003, the part-time 1024
judge of the Morrow county county court that existed prior to that 1025
date shall serve as the full-time judge of the Morrow county 1026
municipal court until December 31, 2005. 1027

In the Mount Vernon municipal court, one full-time judge 1028
shall be elected in 1951. 1029

In the Napoleon municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1030
elected in 2005. 1031

In the New Philadelphia municipal court, one full-time judge 1032
shall be elected in 1975. 1033

In the Newton Falls municipal court, one full-time judge 1034
shall be elected in 1963. 1035

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

In the Norwalk municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1038
elected in 1975. 1039

In the Oakwood municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 1040
elected in 1953. 1041

In the Oberlin municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1042
elected in 1989. 1043

In the Oregon municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1044
elected in 1963. 1045

In the Ottawa county municipal court, one full-time judge 1046

shall be elected in 1995, and the full-time judge of the Port 1047
Clinton municipal court who is elected in 1989 shall serve as the 1048
judge of the Ottawa county municipal court from February 4, 1994, 1049
until the end of that judge's term. 1050

In the Painesville municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1051
be elected in 1951. 1052

In the Parma municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1053
elected in 1951, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, and 1054
one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971. 1055

In the Perrysburg municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1056
be elected in 1977. 1057

In the Portage county municipal court, two full-time judges 1058
shall be elected in 1979, and one full-time judge shall be elected 1059
in 1971. 1060

In the Port Clinton municipal court, one full-time judge 1061
shall be elected in 1953. The full-time judge of the Port Clinton 1062
municipal court who is elected in 1989 shall serve as the judge of 1063
the Ottawa county municipal court from February 4, 1994, until the 1064
end of that judge's term. 1065

In the Portsmouth municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1066
be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1067
1985. 1068

In the Putnam county municipal court, one full-time judge 1069
shall be elected in 2011. Beginning January 1, 2011, the part-time 1070
judge of the Putnam county county court that existed prior to that 1071
date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall serve as the 1072
full-time judge of the Putnam county municipal court until 1073
December 31, 2011. 1074

In the Rocky River municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1075
be elected in 1957, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1076

1971.	1077
In the Sandusky municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953.	1078 1079
<u>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 that existed prior to that date shall serve as part-time judges of the Sandusky county municipal court until December 31, 2013. If either judgeship becomes vacant before January 1, 2014, that judgeship is abolished on the date it becomes vacant, and the person who holds the other judgeship shall serve as the full-time judge of the Sandusky county municipal court until December 31, 2013.</u>	1080 1081 1082 1083 1084 1085 1086 1087 1088
<u>In the Trumbull county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2017. Beginning on January 1, 2013, the part-time judge of the Trumbull county county court that existed prior to that date who was elected in 2010 shall serve as the full-time judge of the Trumbull county municipal court until December 31, 2017.</u>	1089 1090 1091 1092 1093 1094
In the Shaker Heights municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	1095 1096
In the Shelby municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	1097 1098
In the Sidney municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1995.	1099 1100
In the South Euclid municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected in 1993, whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve until December 31, 1999, and the office of that judge is abolished on January 1, 2000.	1101 1102 1103 1104 1105
In the Springfield municipal court, two full-time judges	1106

shall be elected in 1985, and one full-time judge shall be elected 1107
in 1983, all of whom shall serve as the judges of the Springfield 1108
municipal court through December 31, 1987, and as the judges of 1109
the Clark county municipal court from January 1, 1988, until the 1110
end of their respective terms. 1111

In the Steubenville municipal court, one full-time judge 1112
shall be elected in 1953. 1113

In the Stow municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1114
elected in 2009, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 2013. 1115
Beginning January 1, 2009, the judge of the Cuyahoga Falls 1116
municipal court that existed prior to that date whose term 1117
commenced on January 1, 2008, shall serve as a full-time judge of 1118
the Stow municipal court until December 31, 2013. Beginning 1119
January 1, 2009, the judge of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court 1120
that existed prior to that date whose term commenced on January 1, 1121
2004, shall serve as a full-time judge of the Stow municipal court 1122
until December 31, 2009. 1123

In the Struthers municipal court, one part-time judge shall 1124
be elected in 1963. 1125

In the Sylvania municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1126
elected in 1963. 1127

In the Tiffin municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1128
elected in 1953. 1129

In the Toledo municipal court, two full-time judges shall be 1130
elected in 1971, four full-time judges shall be elected in 1975, 1131
and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973. 1132

In the Upper Sandusky municipal court, one full-time judge 1133
shall be elected in 2011. The part-time judge elected in 2005, 1134
whose term commenced on January 1, 2006, shall serve as a 1135
full-time judge on and after January 1, 2008, until the expiration 1136
of that judge's term on December 31, 2011, and the office of that 1137

judge is abolished on January 1, 2012. 1138

In the Vandalia municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1139
elected in 1959. 1140

In the Van Wert municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1141
elected in 1957. 1142

In the Vermilion municipal court, one part-time judge shall 1143
be elected in 1965. 1144

In the Wadsworth municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1145
be elected in 1981. 1146

In the Warren municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1147
elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971. 1148

In the Washington Court House municipal court, one full-time 1149
judge shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected in 1150
1993, whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve until 1151
December 31, 1999, and the office of that judge is abolished on 1152
January 1, 2000. 1153

In the Wayne county municipal court, one full-time judge 1154
shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected 1155
in 1979. 1156

In the Willoughby municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1157
be elected in 1951. 1158

In the Wilmington municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1159
be elected in 1991, who shall serve as the judge of the Wilmington 1160
municipal court through June 30, 1992, and as the judge of the 1161
Clinton county municipal court from July 1, 1992, until the end of 1162
that judge's term on December 31, 1997. 1163

In the Xenia municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1164
elected in 1977. 1165

In the Youngstown municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1166
be elected in 1951, and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1167

1953. 1168

In the Zanesville municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1169
be elected in 1953. 1170

Sec. 1901.31. The clerk and deputy clerks of a municipal 1171
court shall be selected, be compensated, give bond, and have 1172
powers and duties as follows: 1173

(A) There shall be a clerk of the court who is appointed or 1174
elected as follows: 1175

(1)(a) Except in the Akron, Barberton, Toledo, Hamilton 1176
county, Miami county, Montgomery county, Portage county, and Wayne 1177
county municipal courts and through December 31, 2008, the 1178
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, if the population of the territory 1179
equals or exceeds one hundred thousand at the regular municipal 1180
election immediately preceding the expiration of the term of the 1181
present clerk, the clerk shall be nominated and elected by the 1182
qualified electors of the territory in the manner that is provided 1183
for the nomination and election of judges in section 1901.07 of 1184
the Revised Code. 1185

The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of six 1186
years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1187
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1188
successor is elected and qualified. 1189

(b) In the Hamilton county municipal court, the clerk of 1190
courts of Hamilton county shall be the clerk of the municipal 1191
court and may appoint an assistant clerk who shall receive the 1192
compensation, payable out of the treasury of Hamilton county in 1193
semimonthly installments, that the board of county commissioners 1194
prescribes. The clerk of courts of Hamilton county, acting as the 1195
clerk of the Hamilton county municipal court and assuming the 1196
duties of that office, shall receive compensation at one-fourth 1197

the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common 1198
pleas as determined in accordance with the population of the 1199
county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of 1200
the Revised Code. This compensation shall be paid from the county 1201
treasury in semimonthly installments and is in addition to the 1202
annual compensation that is received for the performance of the 1203
duties of the clerk of courts of Hamilton county, as provided in 1204
sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. 1205

(c) In the Portage county and Wayne county municipal courts, 1206
the clerks of courts of Portage county and Wayne county shall be 1207
the clerks, respectively, of the Portage county and Wayne county 1208
municipal courts and may appoint a chief deputy clerk for each 1209
branch that is established pursuant to section 1901.311 of the 1210
Revised Code and assistant clerks as the judges of the municipal 1211
court determine are necessary, all of whom shall receive the 1212
compensation that the legislative authority prescribes. The clerks 1213
of courts of Portage county and Wayne county, acting as the clerks 1214
of the Portage county and Wayne county municipal courts and 1215
assuming the duties of these offices, shall receive compensation 1216
payable from the county treasury in semimonthly installments at 1217
one-fourth the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of 1218
common pleas as determined in accordance with the population of 1219
the county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 1220
of the Revised Code. 1221

(d) In the Montgomery county and Miami county municipal 1222
courts, the clerks of courts of Montgomery county and Miami county 1223
shall be the clerks, respectively, of the Montgomery county and 1224
Miami county municipal courts. The clerks of courts of Montgomery 1225
county and Miami county, acting as the clerks of the Montgomery 1226
county and Miami county municipal courts and assuming the duties 1227
of these offices, shall receive compensation at one-fourth the 1228
rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas 1229

as determined in accordance with the population of the county and 1230
the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised 1231
Code. This compensation shall be paid from the county treasury in 1232
semimonthly installments and is in addition to the annual 1233
compensation that is received for the performance of the duties of 1234
the clerks of courts of Montgomery county and Miami county, as 1235
provided in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. 1236

(e) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(e) of 1237
this section, in the Akron municipal court, candidates for 1238
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by 1239
primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day 1240
specified in the charter of the city of Akron for the nomination 1241
of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of 1242
section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the declarations 1243
of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and the 1244
nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office of 1245
clerk of the Akron municipal court shall be signed by at least 1246
fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court. 1247

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1248
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1249
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1250
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1251
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1252
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1253
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1254
Revised Code. 1255

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 1256
any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1257
party for election to the office of clerk of the Akron municipal 1258
court, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 1259
nominating a candidate of that party for election to that office. 1260
If only one person files a valid declaration of candidacy and 1261

petition for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1262
party for election to that office, a primary election shall not be 1263
held for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 1264
election to that office, and the candidate shall be issued a 1265
certificate of nomination in the manner set forth in section 1266
3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1267

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1268
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1269
of the Akron municipal court shall contain a designation of the 1270
term for which the candidate seeks election. At the following 1271
regular municipal election, all candidates for the office shall be 1272
submitted to the qualified electors of the territory of the court 1273
in the manner that is provided in section 1901.07 of the Revised 1274
Code for the election of the judges of the court. The clerk so 1275
elected shall hold office for a term of six years, which term 1276
shall commence on the first day of January following the clerk's 1277
election and continue until the clerk's successor is elected and 1278
qualified. 1279

(f) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(f) of 1280
this section, in the Barberton municipal court, candidates for 1281
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by 1282
primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day 1283
specified in the charter of the city of Barberton for the 1284
nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary 1285
provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the 1286
declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and 1287
the nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office 1288
of clerk of the Barberton municipal court shall be signed by at 1289
least fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court. 1290

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1291
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1292
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1293

primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1294
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1295
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1296
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1297
Revised Code. 1298

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 1299
any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1300
party for election to the office of clerk of the Barberton 1301
municipal court, a primary election shall not be held for the 1302
purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for election to 1303
that office. If only one person files a valid declaration of 1304
candidacy and petition for nomination as a candidate of a 1305
particular political party for election to that office, a primary 1306
election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating a 1307
candidate of that party for election to that office, and the 1308
candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the 1309
manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1310

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1311
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1312
of the Barberton municipal court shall contain a designation of 1313
the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the following 1314
regular municipal election, all candidates for the office shall be 1315
submitted to the qualified electors of the territory of the court 1316
in the manner that is provided in section 1901.07 of the Revised 1317
Code for the election of the judges of the court. The clerk so 1318
elected shall hold office for a term of six years, which term 1319
shall commence on the first day of January following the clerk's 1320
election and continue until the clerk's successor is elected and 1321
qualified. 1322

(g)(i) Through December 31, 2008, except as otherwise 1323
provided in division (A)(1)(g)(i) of this section, in the Cuyahoga 1324
Falls municipal court, candidates for election to the office of 1325

clerk of the court shall be nominated by primary election. The 1326
primary election shall be held on the day specified in the charter 1327
of the city of Cuyahoga Falls for the nomination of municipal 1328
officers. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 1329
3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the declarations of 1330
candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and the nominating 1331
petitions of independent candidates for the office of clerk of the 1332
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall be signed by at least fifty 1333
qualified electors of the territory of the court. 1334

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1335
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1336
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1337
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1338
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1339
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1340
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1341
Revised Code. 1342

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 1343
any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1344
party for election to the office of clerk of the Cuyahoga Falls 1345
municipal court, a primary election shall not be held for the 1346
purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for election to 1347
that office. If only one person files a valid declaration of 1348
candidacy and petition for nomination as a candidate of a 1349
particular political party for election to that office, a primary 1350
election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating a 1351
candidate of that party for election to that office, and the 1352
candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the 1353
manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1354

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1355
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1356
of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall contain a designation 1357

of the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the 1358
following regular municipal election, all candidates for the 1359
office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1360
territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1361
1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of the 1362
court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of six 1363
years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1364
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1365
successor is elected and qualified. 1366

(ii) Division (A)(1)(g)(i) of this section shall have no 1367
effect after December 31, 2008. 1368

(h) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(h) of 1369
this section, in the Toledo municipal court, candidates for 1370
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by 1371
primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day 1372
specified in the charter of the city of Toledo for the nomination 1373
of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of 1374
section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the declarations 1375
of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and the 1376
nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office of 1377
clerk of the Toledo municipal court shall be signed by at least 1378
fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court. 1379

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1380
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1381
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1382
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1383
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1384
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1385
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1386
Revised Code. 1387

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 1388
any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1389

party for election to the office of clerk of the Toledo municipal 1390
court, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 1391
nominating a candidate of that party for election to that office. 1392
If only one person files a valid declaration of candidacy and 1393
petition for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1394
party for election to that office, a primary election shall not be 1395
held for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 1396
election to that office, and the candidate shall be issued a 1397
certificate of nomination in the manner set forth in section 1398
3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1399

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1400
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1401
of the Toledo municipal court shall contain a designation of the 1402
term for which the candidate seeks election. At the following 1403
regular municipal election, all candidates for the office shall be 1404
submitted to the qualified electors of the territory of the court 1405
in the manner that is provided in section 1901.07 of the Revised 1406
Code for the election of the judges of the court. The clerk so 1407
elected shall hold office for a term of six years, which term 1408
shall commence on the first day of January following the clerk's 1409
election and continue until the clerk's successor is elected and 1410
qualified. 1411

(2)(a) Except for the Alliance, Auglaize county, Brown 1412
county, Columbiana county, Holmes county, Putnam county, Sandusky 1413
county, Lorain, Massillon, and Youngstown municipal courts, in a 1414
municipal court for which the population of the territory is less 1415
than one hundred thousand, the clerk shall be appointed by the 1416
court, and the clerk shall hold office until the clerk's successor 1417
is appointed and qualified. 1418

(b) In the Alliance, Lorain, Massillon, and Youngstown 1419
municipal courts, the clerk shall be elected for a term of office 1420
as described in division (A)(1)(a) of this section. 1421

(c) In the Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, ~~and~~ 1422
Putnam county, and Sandusky county municipal courts, the clerks of 1423
courts of Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, ~~and~~ Putnam 1424
county, and Sandusky county shall be the clerks, respectively, of 1425
the Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, ~~and~~ Putnam 1426
county, and Sandusky county municipal courts and may appoint a 1427
chief deputy clerk for each branch office that is established 1428
pursuant to section 1901.311 of the Revised Code, and assistant 1429
clerks as the judge of the court determines are necessary, all of 1430
whom shall receive the compensation that the legislative authority 1431
prescribes. The clerks of courts of Auglaize county, Brown county, 1432
Holmes county, ~~and~~ Putnam county, and Sandusky county, acting as 1433
the clerks of the Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, 1434
~~and~~ Putnam county, and Sandusky county municipal courts and 1435
assuming the duties of these offices, shall receive compensation 1436
payable from the county treasury in semimonthly installments at 1437
one-fourth the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of 1438
common pleas as determined in accordance with the population of 1439
the county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 1440
of the Revised Code. 1441

(d) In the Columbiana county municipal court, the clerk of 1442
courts of Columbiana county shall be the clerk of the municipal 1443
court, may appoint a chief deputy clerk for each branch office 1444
that is established pursuant to section 1901.311 of the Revised 1445
Code, and may appoint any assistant clerks that the judges of the 1446
court determine are necessary. All of the chief deputy clerks and 1447
assistant clerks shall receive the compensation that the 1448
legislative authority prescribes. The clerk of courts of 1449
Columbiana county, acting as the clerk of the Columbiana county 1450
municipal court and assuming the duties of that office, shall 1451
receive in either biweekly installments or semimonthly 1452
installments, as determined by the payroll administrator, 1453
compensation payable from the county treasury at one-fourth the 1454

rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas 1455
as determined in accordance with the population of the county and 1456
the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised 1457
Code. 1458

(3) During the temporary absence of the clerk due to illness, 1459
vacation, or other proper cause, the court may appoint a temporary 1460
clerk, who shall be paid the same compensation, have the same 1461
authority, and perform the same duties as the clerk. 1462

(B) Except in the Hamilton county, Montgomery county, Miami 1463
county, Portage county, and Wayne county municipal courts, if a 1464
vacancy occurs in the office of the clerk of the Alliance, Lorain, 1465
Massillon, or Youngstown municipal court or occurs in the office 1466
of the clerk of a municipal court for which the population of the 1467
territory equals or exceeds one hundred thousand because the clerk 1468
ceases to hold the office before the end of the clerk's term or 1469
because a clerk-elect fails to take office, the vacancy shall be 1470
filled, until a successor is elected and qualified, by a person 1471
chosen by the residents of the territory of the court who are 1472
members of the county central committee of the political party by 1473
which the last occupant of that office or the clerk-elect was 1474
nominated. Not less than five nor more than fifteen days after a 1475
vacancy occurs, those members of that county central committee 1476
shall meet to make an appointment to fill the vacancy. At least 1477
four days before the date of the meeting, the chairperson or a 1478
secretary of the county central committee shall notify each such 1479
member of that county central committee by first class mail of the 1480
date, time, and place of the meeting and its purpose. A majority 1481
of all such members of that county central committee constitutes a 1482
quorum, and a majority of the quorum is required to make the 1483
appointment. If the office so vacated was occupied or was to be 1484
occupied by a person not nominated at a primary election, or if 1485
the appointment was not made by the committee members in 1486

accordance with this division, the court shall make an appointment 1487
to fill the vacancy. A successor shall be elected to fill the 1488
office for the unexpired term at the first municipal election that 1489
is held more than one hundred thirty-five days after the vacancy 1490
occurred. 1491

(C)(1) In a municipal court, other than the Auglaize county, 1492
the Brown county, the Columbiana county, the Holmes county, the 1493
Putnam county, the Sandusky county, and the Lorain municipal 1494
courts, for which the population of the territory is less than one 1495
hundred thousand, the clerk of the municipal court shall receive 1496
the annual compensation that the presiding judge of the court 1497
prescribes, if the revenue of the court for the preceding calendar 1498
year, as certified by the auditor or chief fiscal officer of the 1499
municipal corporation in which the court is located or, in the 1500
case of a county-operated municipal court, the county auditor, is 1501
equal to or greater than the expenditures, including any debt 1502
charges, for the operation of the court payable under this chapter 1503
from the city treasury or, in the case of a county-operated 1504
municipal court, the county treasury for that calendar year, as 1505
also certified by the auditor or chief fiscal officer. If the 1506
revenue of a municipal court, other than the Auglaize county, the 1507
Brown county, the Columbiana county, the Putnam county, the 1508
Sandusky county, and the Lorain municipal courts, for which the 1509
population of the territory is less than one hundred thousand for 1510
the preceding calendar year as so certified is not equal to or 1511
greater than those expenditures for the operation of the court for 1512
that calendar year as so certified, the clerk of a municipal court 1513
shall receive the annual compensation that the legislative 1514
authority prescribes. As used in this division, "revenue" means 1515
the total of all costs and fees that are collected and paid to the 1516
city treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1517
treasury by the clerk of the municipal court under division (F) of 1518
this section and all interest received and paid to the city 1519

treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1520
treasury in relation to the costs and fees under division (G) of 1521
this section. 1522

(2) In a municipal court, other than the Hamilton county, 1523
Montgomery county, Miami county, Portage county, and Wayne county 1524
municipal courts, for which the population of the territory is one 1525
hundred thousand or more, and in the Lorain municipal court, the 1526
clerk of the municipal court shall receive annual compensation in 1527
a sum equal to eighty-five per cent of the salary of a judge of 1528
the court. 1529

(3) The compensation of a clerk described in division (C)(1) 1530
or (2) of this section and of the clerk of the Columbiana county 1531
municipal court is payable in either semimonthly installments or 1532
biweekly installments, as determined by the payroll administrator, 1533
from the same sources and in the same manner as provided in 1534
section 1901.11 of the Revised Code, except that the compensation 1535
of the clerk of the Carroll county municipal court is payable in 1536
biweekly installments. 1537

(D) Before entering upon the duties of the clerk's office, 1538
the clerk of a municipal court shall give bond of not less than 1539
six thousand dollars to be determined by the judges of the court, 1540
conditioned upon the faithful performance of the clerk's duties. 1541

(E) The clerk of a municipal court may do all of the 1542
following: administer oaths, take affidavits, and issue executions 1543
upon any judgment rendered in the court, including a judgment for 1544
unpaid costs; issue, sign, and attach the seal of the court to all 1545
writs, process, subpoenas, and papers issuing out of the court; 1546
and approve all bonds, sureties, recognizances, and undertakings 1547
fixed by any judge of the court or by law. The clerk may refuse to 1548
accept for filing any pleading or paper submitted for filing by a 1549
person who has been found to be a vexatious litigator under 1550
section 2323.52 of the Revised Code and who has failed to obtain 1551

leave to proceed under that section. The clerk shall do all of the 1552
following: file and safely keep all journals, records, books, and 1553
papers belonging or appertaining to the court; record the 1554
proceedings of the court; perform all other duties that the judges 1555
of the court may prescribe; and keep a book showing all receipts 1556
and disbursements, which book shall be open for public inspection 1557
at all times. 1558

The clerk shall prepare and maintain a general index, a 1559
docket, and other records that the court, by rule, requires, all 1560
of which shall be the public records of the court. In the docket, 1561
the clerk shall enter, at the time of the commencement of an 1562
action, the names of the parties in full, the names of the 1563
counsel, and the nature of the proceedings. Under proper dates, 1564
the clerk shall note the filing of the complaint, issuing of 1565
summons or other process, returns, and any subsequent pleadings. 1566
The clerk also shall enter all reports, verdicts, orders, 1567
judgments, and proceedings of the court, clearly specifying the 1568
relief granted or orders made in each action. The court may order 1569
an extended record of any of the above to be made and entered, 1570
under the proper action heading, upon the docket at the request of 1571
any party to the case, the expense of which record may be taxed as 1572
costs in the case or may be required to be prepaid by the party 1573
demanding the record, upon order of the court. 1574

(F) The clerk of a municipal court shall receive, collect, 1575
and issue receipts for all costs, fees, fines, bail, and other 1576
moneys payable to the office or to any officer of the court. The 1577
clerk shall each month disburse to the proper persons or officers, 1578
and take receipts for, all costs, fees, fines, bail, and other 1579
moneys that the clerk collects. Subject to sections 307.515 and 1580
4511.193 of the Revised Code and to any other section of the 1581
Revised Code that requires a specific manner of disbursement of 1582
any moneys received by a municipal court and except for the 1583

Hamilton county, Lawrence county, and Ottawa county municipal 1584
courts, the clerk shall pay all fines received for violation of 1585
municipal ordinances into the treasury of the municipal 1586
corporation the ordinance of which was violated and shall pay all 1587
fines received for violation of township resolutions adopted 1588
pursuant to section 503.52 or 503.53 or Chapter 504. of the 1589
Revised Code into the treasury of the township the resolution of 1590
which was violated. Subject to sections 1901.024 and 4511.193 of 1591
the Revised Code, in the Hamilton county, Lawrence county, and 1592
Ottawa county municipal courts, the clerk shall pay fifty per cent 1593
of the fines received for violation of municipal ordinances and 1594
fifty per cent of the fines received for violation of township 1595
resolutions adopted pursuant to section 503.52 or 503.53 or 1596
Chapter 504. of the Revised Code into the treasury of the county. 1597
Subject to sections 307.515, 4511.19, and 5503.04 of the Revised 1598
Code and to any other section of the Revised Code that requires a 1599
specific manner of disbursement of any moneys received by a 1600
municipal court, the clerk shall pay all fines collected for the 1601
violation of state laws into the county treasury. Except in a 1602
county-operated municipal court, the clerk shall pay all costs and 1603
fees the disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for in 1604
the Revised Code into the city treasury. The clerk of a 1605
county-operated municipal court shall pay the costs and fees the 1606
disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for in the Revised 1607
Code into the county treasury. Moneys deposited as security for 1608
costs shall be retained pending the litigation. The clerk shall 1609
keep a separate account of all receipts and disbursements in civil 1610
and criminal cases, which shall be a permanent public record of 1611
the office. On the expiration of the term of the clerk, the clerk 1612
shall deliver the records to the clerk's successor. The clerk 1613
shall have other powers and duties as are prescribed by rule or 1614
order of the court. 1615

(G) All moneys paid into a municipal court shall be noted on 1616

the record of the case in which they are paid and shall be 1617
deposited in a state or national bank, or a domestic savings and 1618
loan association, as defined in section 1151.01 of the Revised 1619
Code, that is selected by the clerk. Any interest received upon 1620
the deposits shall be paid into the city treasury, except that, in 1621
a county-operated municipal court, the interest shall be paid into 1622
the treasury of the county in which the court is located. 1623

On the first Monday in January of each year, the clerk shall 1624
make a list of the titles of all cases in the court that were 1625
finally determined more than one year past in which there remains 1626
unclaimed in the possession of the clerk any funds, or any part of 1627
a deposit for security of costs not consumed by the costs in the 1628
case. The clerk shall give notice of the moneys to the parties who 1629
are entitled to the moneys or to their attorneys of record. All 1630
the moneys remaining unclaimed on the first day of April of each 1631
year shall be paid by the clerk to the city treasurer, except 1632
that, in a county-operated municipal court, the moneys shall be 1633
paid to the treasurer of the county in which the court is located. 1634
The treasurer shall pay any part of the moneys at any time to the 1635
person who has the right to the moneys upon proper certification 1636
of the clerk. 1637

(H) Deputy clerks of a municipal court other than the Carroll 1638
county municipal court may be appointed by the clerk and shall 1639
receive the compensation, payable in either biweekly installments 1640
or semimonthly installments, as determined by the payroll 1641
administrator, out of the city treasury, that the clerk may 1642
prescribe, except that the compensation of any deputy clerk of a 1643
county-operated municipal court shall be paid out of the treasury 1644
of the county in which the court is located. The judge of the 1645
Carroll county municipal court may appoint deputy clerks for the 1646
court, and the deputy clerks shall receive the compensation, 1647
payable in biweekly installments out of the county treasury, that 1648

the judge may prescribe. Each deputy clerk shall take an oath of office before entering upon the duties of the deputy clerk's office and, when so qualified, may perform the duties appertaining to the office of the clerk. The clerk may require any of the deputy clerks to give bond of not less than three thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of the deputy clerk's duties.

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

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

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

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

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

In the Belmont 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 on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively.

In the Butler county county court, one part-time judge shall 1679
be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and two 1680
part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence on 1681
January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1682

Until December 31, 2007, in the Erie county county court, one 1683
part-time judge shall be elected in 1982. Effective January 1, 1684
2008, the Erie county county court shall cease to exist. 1685

In the Fulton county county court, one part-time judge shall 1686
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1687
1982. 1688

In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge 1689
shall be elected in 1982. 1690

In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge 1691
shall be elected in 1982. 1692

In the Jefferson county county court, one part-time judge 1693
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and 1694
two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence 1695
on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1696

In the Mahoning county county court, one part-time judge 1697
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and 1698
three part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence 1699
on January 1, 1995, January 2, 1995, and January 3, 1995, 1700
respectively. 1701

In the Meigs county county court, one part-time judge shall 1702
be elected in 1982. 1703

In the Monroe county county court, one part-time judge shall 1704
be elected in 1982. 1705

In the Morgan county county court, one part-time judge shall 1706
be elected in 1982. 1707

In the Muskingum county county court, one part-time judge 1708

shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected 1709
in 1982. 1710

In the Noble county county court, one part-time judge shall 1711
be elected in 1982. 1712

In the Paulding county county court, one part-time judge 1713
shall be elected in 1982. 1714

In the Perry county county court, one part-time judge shall 1715
be elected in 1982. 1716

In the Pike county county court, one part-time judge shall be 1717
elected in 1982. 1718

~~In~~ Until December 31, 2006, in the Sandusky county county 1719
court, two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1720
commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1721
The judges elected in 2006 shall serve until December 31, 2012. 1722
The Sandusky county county court shall cease to exist on January 1723
1, 2013. 1724

~~In~~ Until December 31, 2010, in the Trumbull county county 1725
court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1992, and one 1726
part-time judge shall be elected in 1994. The judges elected in 1727
2006 and 2010 shall serve until December 31, 2012. The Trumbull 1728
county county court shall cease to exist on January 1, 2013. 1729

In the Tuscarawas county county court, one part-time judge 1730
shall be elected in 1982. 1731

In the Vinton county county court, one part-time judge shall 1732
be elected in 1982. 1733

In the Warren county county court, one part-time judge shall 1734
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1735
1982. 1736

(B)(1) Additional judges shall be elected at the next regular 1737
election for a county court judge as provided in section 1907.13 1738

of the Revised Code. 1739

(2) Vacancies caused by the death or the resignation from, 1740
forfeiture of, or removal from office of a judge shall be filled 1741
in accordance with section 107.08 of the Revised Code, except as 1742
provided in section 1907.15 of the Revised Code. 1743

Section 2. That existing sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1744
1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code are 1745
hereby repealed. 1746

Section 3. (A) Effective January 1, 2013, the Sandusky County 1747
County Court is abolished. 1748

(B) All causes, executions, and other proceedings pending in 1749
the Sandusky County County Court at the close of business on 1750
December 31, 2012, shall be transferred to and proceed in the 1751
Sandusky County Municipal Court on January 1, 2013, as if 1752
originally instituted in the Sandusky County Municipal Court. 1753
Parties to those causes, judgments, executions, and proceedings 1754
may make any amendments to their pleadings that are required to 1755
conform them to the rules of the Sandusky County Municipal Court. 1756
The Clerk of the Sandusky County County Court or other custodian 1757
shall transfer to the Sandusky County Municipal Court all 1758
pleadings, orders, entries, dockets, bonds, papers, records, 1759
books, exhibits, files, moneys, property, and persons that belong 1760
to, are in the possession of, or are subject to the jurisdiction 1761
of the Sandusky County County Court, or any officer of that court, 1762
at the close of business on December 31, 2012, and that pertain to 1763
those causes, judgments, executions, and proceedings. 1764

Section 4. (A) Effective January 1, 2013, the Trumbull County 1765
County Court is abolished. 1766

(B) All causes, executions, and other proceedings pending in 1767

the Trumbull County County Court at the close of business on 1768
December 31, 2012, shall be transferred to and proceed in the 1769
Trumbull County Municipal Court on January 1, 2013, as if 1770
originally instituted in the Trumbull County Municipal Court. 1771
Parties to those causes, judgments, executions, and proceedings 1772
may make any amendments to their pleadings that are required to 1773
conform them to the rules of the Trumbull County Municipal Court. 1774
The Clerk of the Trumbull County County Court or other custodian 1775
shall transfer to the Trumbull County Municipal Court all 1776
pleadings, orders, entries, dockets, bonds, papers, records, 1777
books, exhibits, files, moneys, property, and persons that belong 1778
to, are in the possession of, or are subject to the jurisdiction 1779
of the Trumbull County County Court, or any officer of that court, 1780
at the close of business on December 31, 2012, and that pertain to 1781
those causes, judgments, executions, and proceedings. 1782

(C) All employees of the Trumbull County County Court shall 1783
be transferred to and shall become employees of the Trumbull 1784
County Municipal Court on January 1, 2013. 1785

(D) Effective January 1, 2013, the part-time judgeship in the 1786
Trumbull County County Court is abolished. 1787

Section 5. Sections 1901.01, 1901.03, 1901.08, and 1907.11 of 1788
the Revised Code are presented in this act as composites of the 1789
sections as amended by both Am. Sub. H.B. 238 and Sub. H.B. 338 of 1790
the 128th General Assembly. The General Assembly, applying the 1791
principle stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised 1792
Code that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of 1793
simultaneous operation, finds that the composites are the 1794
resulting versions of the sections in effect prior to the 1795
effective date of the sections as presented in this act. 1796

Section 6. Sections 1901.01, 1901.03, 1901.08, and 1907.11 of 1797
the Revised Code are presented in this act as composites of the 1798

sections as amended by both Am. Sub. H.B. 238 and Sub. H.B. 338 of 1799
the 128th General Assembly. The General Assembly, applying the 1800
principle stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised 1801
Code that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of 1802
simultaneous operation, finds that the composites are the 1803
resulting versions of the sections in effect prior to the 1804
effective date of the sections as presented in this act. 1805