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HOUSE BILL 2575

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 11-211, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO COUNTY BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
2 Section 1. Section 11-211, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 11-211. Membership; qualifications; term; definition

5 A. There shall be in each county having a population of ~~two hundred~~
6 ~~ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE~~ thousand or more persons a board of supervisors
7 consisting of five members who shall be qualified electors of their
8 supervisorial district, and who shall be elected at a general election at
9 which the president of the United States is elected. In each county having a
10 population of less than ~~two hundred~~ ~~ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE~~ thousand persons,
11 a board of supervisors shall consist of three members, except as prescribed
12 by subsection B OF THIS SECTION, who shall be qualified electors of their
13 supervisorial district and who shall be elected at a general election at
14 which the president of the United States is elected. They shall enter upon
15 their duties on January 1 subsequent to their election, and shall hold office
16 for four years. No person holding any other county or precinct office is
17 eligible to the office of supervisor.

18 B. Any county having a population of less than ~~two hundred~~ ~~ONE HUNDRED~~
19 ~~SIXTY-FIVE~~ thousand persons but more than one hundred thousand persons shall
20 call an election to change from a three-member to a five-member board of
21 supervisors, or from a five-member to a three-member board of supervisors,
22 upon receipt by the board of supervisors of a petition ~~signed by not less~~
23 ~~than~~ ~~CONTAINING SIGNATURES OF QUALIFIED ELECTORS EQUAL TO AT LEAST~~ ten per
24 cent of the ~~qualified voters who voted~~ VOTES CAST IN THE COUNTY at the
25 preceding general election at which a president of the United States was
26 elected. The board shall submit to the electors in such county, at a special
27 election called for such purpose, the question whether or not such county
28 shall elect five members or three members to the board of supervisors. The
29 election shall be held before the first Monday in January preceding the next
30 general election. The ballots shall contain the words: "Five supervisors,
31 yes. Five supervisors, no." or "Three supervisors, yes. Three supervisors,
32 no." If the majority of the qualified electors voting on the question ~~vote~~
33 VOTES in the affirmative, the board of supervisors shall redistrict the
34 county in accordance with ~~the provisions of~~ section 11-212. The county shall
35 thereafter elect the prescribed number of members to the board of supervisors
36 who shall have the same qualifications as provided in subsection A OF THIS
37 SECTION for a board of supervisors with a population of ~~two hundred~~ ~~ONE~~
38 ~~HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE~~ thousand or more persons, and shall hold office for a term
39 of four years to commence on January 1.

1 Sec. 2. Applicability

2 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on the effective date of
3 this act, a county that exceeded a population of one hundred sixty-five
4 thousand persons according to the 2000 United States decennial census may
5 begin the process of electing two additional supervisors at the 2008 general
6 election at which the president of the United States is elected after the
7 board of supervisors approves a special census of the county. The special
8 census population data shall be used to increase the board of supervisors
9 from three members to five members pursuant to section 11-211.