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**Senator Hottinger**

**Cosponsors: Senators Coley, Bacon, Balderson, Dolan, Eklund, Gardner,  
Hoagland, Skindell, Thomas, Yuko**

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**A BILL**

To amend sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1  
1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, 1901.312, 1901.34, 2  
and 1907.11 of the Revised Code and to amend 3  
Section 729.10 of Am. Sub. H.B. 483 of the 130th 4  
General Assembly, as subsequently amended, to 5  
create the Perry County Municipal Court in New 6  
Lexington on January 1, 2018, to establish one 7  
full-time judgeship in that court, to provide 8  
for the nomination of the judge by petition 9  
only, to abolish the Perry County County Court 10  
on that date, to designate the Perry County 11  
Clerk of Courts as the clerk of the Perry County 12  
Municipal Court, to provide for the election for 13  
the Perry County Municipal Court of one full- 14  
time judge in 2017, to modify the provisions 15  
regarding the membership of the Criminal Justice 16  
Recodification Committee, and to declare an 17  
emergency. 18

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

**Section 1.** That sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 19  
1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, 1901.312, 1901.34, and 1907.11 of the 20  
Revised Code be amended to read as follows: 21

**Sec. 1901.01.** (A) There is hereby established a municipal 22  
court in each of the following municipal corporations: 23

Akron, Alliance, Ashland, Ashtabula, Athens, Avon Lake, 24  
Barberton, Bedford, Bellefontaine, Bellevue, Berea, Bowling 25  
Green, Bryan, Bucyrus, Cambridge, Campbell, Canton, Carrollton, 26  
Celina, Chardon, Chesapeake, Chillicothe, Cincinnati, 27  
Circleville, Cleveland, Cleveland Heights, Columbus, Conneaut, 28  
Coshocton, Cuyahoga Falls, Dayton, Defiance, Delaware, East 29  
Cleveland, East Liverpool, Eaton, Elyria, Euclid, Fairborn, 30  
Fairfield, Findlay, Franklin, Fremont, Gallipolis, Garfield 31  
Heights, Georgetown, Girard, Greenville, Hamilton, Hillsboro, 32  
Huron, Ironton, Jackson, Kenton, Kettering, Lakewood, Lancaster, 33  
Lebanon, Lima, Logan, London, Lorain, Lyndhurst, Mansfield, 34  
Marietta, Marion, Marysville, Mason, Massillon, Maumee, Medina, 35  
Mentor, Miamisburg, Middletown, Millersburg, Mount Gilead, Mount 36  
Vernon, Napoleon, Newark, New Lexington, New Philadelphia, 37  
Newton Falls, Niles, Norwalk, Oakwood, Oberlin, Oregon, Ottawa, 38  
Painesville, Parma, Perrysburg, Port Clinton, Portsmouth, 39  
Ravenna, Rocky River, Sandusky, Shaker Heights, Shelby, Sidney, 40  
South Euclid, Springfield, Steubenville, Struthers, Sylvania, 41  
Tiffin, Toledo, Troy, Upper Sandusky, Urbana, Vandalia, Van 42  
Wert, Vermilion, Wadsworth, Wapakoneta, Warren, City of 43  
Washington in Fayette county, to be known as Washington Court 44  
House, Willoughby, Wilmington, Wooster, Xenia, Youngstown, and 45  
Zanesville. 46

(B) There is hereby established a municipal court within 47  
Clermont county in Batavia or in any other municipal corporation 48

or unincorporated territory within Clermont county that is 49  
selected by the legislative authority of the Clermont county 50  
municipal court. The municipal court established by this 51  
division is a continuation of the municipal court previously 52  
established in Batavia by this section before the enactment of 53  
this division. 54

(C) There is hereby established a municipal court within 55  
Columbiana county in Lisbon or in any other municipal 56  
corporation or unincorporated territory within Columbiana 57  
county, except the municipal corporation of East Liverpool or 58  
Liverpool or St. Clair township, that is selected by the judges 59  
of the municipal court pursuant to division (I) of section 60  
1901.021 of the Revised Code. 61

(D) Effective January 1, 2008, there is hereby established 62  
a municipal court within Erie county in Milan or in any other 63  
municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within Erie 64  
county that is within the territorial jurisdiction of the Erie 65  
county municipal court and is selected by the legislative 66  
authority of that court. 67

(E) The Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall remain in 68  
existence until December 31, 2008, and shall be replaced by the 69  
Stow municipal court on January 1, 2009. 70

(F) Effective January 1, 2009, there is hereby established 71  
a municipal court in the municipal corporation of Stow. 72

(G) Effective July 1, 2010, there is hereby established a 73  
municipal court within Montgomery county in any municipal 74  
corporation or unincorporated territory within Montgomery 75  
county, except the municipal corporations of Centerville, 76  
Clayton, Dayton, Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, 77

Moraine, Oakwood, Union, Vandalia, and West Carrollton and 78  
Butler, German, Harrison, Miami, and Washington townships, that 79  
is selected by the legislative authority of that court. 80

(H) Effective January 1, 2013, there is hereby established 81  
a municipal court within Sandusky county in any municipal 82  
corporation or unincorporated territory within Sandusky county, 83  
except the municipal corporations of Bellevue and Fremont and 84  
Ballville, Sandusky, and York townships, that is selected by the 85  
legislative authority of that court. 86

**Sec. 1901.02.** (A) The municipal courts established by 87  
section 1901.01 of the Revised Code have jurisdiction within the 88  
corporate limits of their respective municipal corporations, or, 89  
for the Clermont county municipal court, the Columbiana county 90  
municipal court, and, effective January 1, 2008, the Erie county 91  
municipal court, within the municipal corporation or 92  
unincorporated territory in which they are established, and are 93  
courts of record. Each of the courts shall be styled 94  
"..... municipal court," inserting 95  
the name of the municipal corporation, except the following 96  
courts, which shall be styled as set forth below: 97

(1) The municipal court established in Chesapeake that 98  
shall be styled and known as the "Lawrence county municipal 99  
court"; 100

(2) The municipal court established in Cincinnati that 101  
shall be styled and known as the "Hamilton county municipal 102  
court"; 103

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

(4) The municipal court established in Athens that shall 106

be styled and known as the "Athens county municipal court";	107
(5) The municipal court established in Columbus that shall	108
be styled and known as the "Franklin county municipal court";	109
(6) The municipal court established in London that shall	110
be styled and known as the "Madison county municipal court";	111
(7) The municipal court established in Newark that shall	112
be styled and known as the "Licking county municipal court";	113
(8) The municipal court established in Wooster that shall	114
be styled and known as the "Wayne county municipal court";	115
(9) The municipal court established in Wapakoneta that	116
shall be styled and known as the "Auglaize county municipal	117
court";	118
(10) The municipal court established in Troy that shall be	119
styled and known as the "Miami county municipal court";	120
(11) The municipal court established in Bucyrus that shall	121
be styled and known as the "Crawford county municipal court";	122
(12) The municipal court established in Logan that shall	123
be styled and known as the "Hocking county municipal court";	124
(13) The municipal court established in Urbana that shall	125
be styled and known as the "Champaign county municipal court";	126
(14) The municipal court established in Jackson that shall	127
be styled and known as the "Jackson county municipal court";	128
(15) The municipal court established in Springfield that	129
shall be styled and known as the "Clark county municipal court";	130
(16) The municipal court established in Kenton that shall	131
be styled and known as the "Hardin county municipal court";	132

- (17) The municipal court established within Clermont county in Batavia or in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within Clermont county that is selected by the legislative authority of that court that shall be styled and known as the "Clermont county municipal court";
- (18) The municipal court established in Wilmington that, beginning July 1, 1992, shall be styled and known as the "Clinton county municipal court";
- (19) The municipal court established in Port Clinton that shall be styled and known as the "Ottawa county municipal court";
- (20) The municipal court established in Lancaster that, beginning January 2, 2000, shall be styled and known as the "Fairfield county municipal court";
- (21) The municipal court established within Columbiana county in Lisbon or in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated territory selected pursuant to division (I) of section 1901.021 of the Revised Code, that shall be styled and known as the "Columbiana county municipal court";
- (22) The municipal court established in Georgetown that, beginning February 9, 2003, shall be styled and known as the "Brown county municipal court";
- (23) The municipal court established in Mount Gilead that, beginning January 1, 2003, shall be styled and known as the "Morrow county municipal court";
- (24) The municipal court established in Greenville that, beginning January 1, 2005, shall be styled and known as the "Darke county municipal court";

(25) The municipal court established in Millersburg that, 161  
beginning January 1, 2007, shall be styled and known as the 162  
"Holmes county municipal court"; 163

(26) The municipal court established in Carrollton that, 164  
beginning January 1, 2007, shall be styled and known as the 165  
"Carroll county municipal court"; 166

(27) The municipal court established within Erie county in 167  
Milan or established in any other municipal corporation or 168  
unincorporated territory that is within Erie county, is within 169  
the territorial jurisdiction of that court, and is selected by 170  
the legislative authority of that court that, beginning January 171  
1, 2008, shall be styled and known as the "Erie county municipal 172  
court"; 173

(28) The municipal court established in Ottawa that, 174  
beginning January 1, 2011, shall be styled and known as the 175  
"Putnam county municipal court"; 176

(29) The municipal court established within Montgomery 177  
county in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory 178  
within Montgomery county, except the municipal corporations of 179  
Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, 180  
Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, Union, Vandalia, and West 181  
Carrollton and Butler, German, Harrison, Miami, and Washington 182  
townships, that is selected by the legislative authority of that 183  
court and that, beginning July 1, 2010, shall be styled and 184  
known as the "Montgomery county municipal court"; 185

(30) The municipal court established within Sandusky 186  
county in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory 187  
within Sandusky county, except the municipal corporations of 188  
Bellevue and Fremont and Ballville, Sandusky, and York 189

townships, that is selected by the legislative authority of that 190  
court and that, beginning January 1, 2013, shall be styled and 191  
known as the "Sandusky county municipal court"; 192

(31) The municipal court established in Tiffin that, 193  
beginning January 1, 2014, shall be styled and known as the 194  
"Tiffin-Fostoria municipal court-"; 195

(32) The municipal court established in New Lexington 196  
that, beginning January 1, 2018, shall be styled and known as 197  
the "Perry county municipal court." 198

(B) In addition to the jurisdiction set forth in division 199  
(A) of this section, the municipal courts established by section 200  
1901.01 of the Revised Code have jurisdiction as follows: 201

The Akron municipal court has jurisdiction within Bath, 202  
Richfield, and Springfield townships, and within the municipal 203  
corporations of Fairlawn, Lakemore, and Mogadore, in Summit 204  
county. 205

The Alliance municipal court has jurisdiction within 206  
Lexington, Marlboro, Paris, and Washington townships in Stark 207  
county. 208

The Ashland municipal court has jurisdiction within 209  
Ashland county. 210

The Ashtabula municipal court has jurisdiction within 211  
Ashtabula, Plymouth, and Saybrook townships in Ashtabula county. 212

The Athens county municipal court has jurisdiction within 213  
Athens county. 214

The Auglaize county municipal court has jurisdiction 215  
within Auglaize county. 216



The Avon Lake municipal court has jurisdiction within the	217
municipal corporations of Avon and Sheffield in Lorain county.	218
The Barberton municipal court has jurisdiction within	219
Coventry, Franklin, and Green townships, within all of Copley	220
township except within the municipal corporation of Fairlawn,	221
and within the municipal corporations of Clinton and Norton, in	222
Summit county.	223
The Bedford municipal court has jurisdiction within the	224
municipal corporations of Bedford Heights, Oakwood, Glenwillow,	225
Solon, Bentleyville, Chagrin Falls, Moreland Hills, Orange,	226
Warrensville Heights, North Randall, and Woodmere, and within	227
Warrensville and Chagrin Falls townships, in Cuyahoga county.	228
The Bellefontaine municipal court has jurisdiction within	229
Logan county.	230
The Bellevue municipal court has jurisdiction within Lyme	231
and Sherman townships in Huron county and within York township	232
in Sandusky county.	233
The Berea municipal court has jurisdiction within the	234
municipal corporations of Strongsville, Middleburgh Heights,	235
Brook Park, Westview, and Olmsted Falls, and within Olmsted	236
township, in Cuyahoga county.	237
The Bowling Green municipal court has jurisdiction within	238
the municipal corporations of Bairdstown, Bloomdale, Bradner,	239
Custar, Cygnet, Grand Rapids, Haskins, Hoytville, Jerry City,	240
Milton Center, North Baltimore, Pemberville, Portage, Rising	241
Sun, Tontogany, Wayne, West Millgrove, and Weston, and within	242
Bloom, Center, Freedom, Grand Rapids, Henry, Jackson, Liberty,	243
Middleton, Milton, Montgomery, Plain, Portage, Washington,	244
Webster, and Weston townships in Wood county.	245

Beginning February 9, 2003, the Brown county municipal court has jurisdiction within Brown county.	246 247
The Bryan municipal court has jurisdiction within Williams county.	248 249
The Cambridge municipal court has jurisdiction within Guernsey county.	250 251
The Campbell municipal court has jurisdiction within Coitsville township in Mahoning county.	252 253
The Canton municipal court has jurisdiction within Canton, Lake, Nimishillen, Osnaburg, Pike, Plain, and Sandy townships in Stark county.	254 255 256
The Carroll county municipal court has jurisdiction within Carroll county.	257 258
The Celina municipal court has jurisdiction within Mercer county.	259 260
The Champaign county municipal court has jurisdiction within Champaign county.	261 262
The Chardon municipal court has jurisdiction within Geauga county.	263 264
The Chillicothe municipal court has jurisdiction within Ross county.	265 266
The Circleville municipal court has jurisdiction within Pickaway county.	267 268
The Clark county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clark county.	269 270
The Clermont county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clermont county.	271 272

The Cleveland municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Bratenahl in Cuyahoga county.	273 274
Beginning July 1, 1992, the Clinton county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clinton county.	275 276
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.	277 278 279 280
The Coshocton municipal court has jurisdiction within Coshocton county.	281 282
The Crawford county municipal court has jurisdiction within Crawford county.	283 284
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 corporations of Boston Heights, Hudson, Munroe Falls, Northfield, Peninsula, Reminderville, Silver Lake, Stow, Tallmadge, Twinsburg, and Macedonia, in Summit county.	285 286 287 288 289 290
Beginning January 1, 2005, the Darke county municipal court has jurisdiction within Darke county except within the municipal corporation of Bradford.	291 292 293
The Defiance municipal court has jurisdiction within Defiance county.	294 295
The Delaware municipal court has jurisdiction within Delaware county.	296 297
The East Liverpool municipal court has jurisdiction within Liverpool and St. Clair townships in Columbiana county.	298 299

The Eaton municipal court has jurisdiction within Preble county.	300 301
The Elyria municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Grafton, LaGrange, and North Ridgeville, and within Elyria, Carlisle, Eaton, Columbia, Grafton, and LaGrange townships, in Lorain county.	302 303 304 305
Beginning January 1, 2008, the Erie county municipal court has jurisdiction within Erie county except within the townships of Florence, Huron, Perkins, and Vermilion and the municipal corporations of Bay View, Castalia, Huron, Sandusky, and Vermilion.	306 307 308 309 310
The Fairborn municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Beavercreek and within Bath and Beavercreek townships in Greene county.	311 312 313
Beginning January 2, 2000, the Fairfield county municipal court has jurisdiction within Fairfield county.	314 315
The Findlay municipal court has jurisdiction within all of Hancock county except within Washington township.	316 317
The Franklin municipal court has jurisdiction within Franklin township in Warren county.	318 319
The Franklin county municipal court has jurisdiction within Franklin county.	320 321
The Fremont municipal court has jurisdiction within Ballville and Sandusky townships in Sandusky county.	322 323
The Gallipolis municipal court has jurisdiction within Gallia county.	324 325
The Garfield Heights municipal court has jurisdiction	326

within the municipal corporations of Maple Heights, Walton Hills, Valley View, Cuyahoga Heights, Newburgh Heights, Independence, and Brecksville in Cuyahoga county.	327 328 329
The Girard municipal court has jurisdiction within Liberty, Vienna, and Hubbard townships in Trumbull county.	330 331
The Hamilton municipal court has jurisdiction within Ross and St. Clair townships in Butler county.	332 333
The Hamilton county municipal court has jurisdiction within Hamilton county.	334 335
The Hardin county municipal court has jurisdiction within Hardin county.	336 337
The Hillsboro municipal court has jurisdiction within all of Highland county except within Madison township.	338 339
The Hocking county municipal court has jurisdiction within Hocking county.	340 341
The Holmes county municipal court has jurisdiction within Holmes county.	342 343
The Huron municipal court has jurisdiction within all of Huron township in Erie county except within the municipal corporation of Sandusky.	344 345 346
The Ironton municipal court has jurisdiction within Aid, Decatur, Elizabeth, Hamilton, Lawrence, Upper, and Washington townships in Lawrence county.	347 348 349
The Jackson county municipal court has jurisdiction within Jackson county.	350 351
The Kettering municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Centerville and Moraine, and within	352 353

Washington township, in Montgomery county.	354
Until January 2, 2000, the Lancaster municipal court has jurisdiction within Fairfield county.	355 356
The Lawrence county municipal court has jurisdiction within the townships of Fayette, Mason, Perry, Rome, Symmes, Union, and Windsor in Lawrence county.	357 358 359
The Lebanon municipal court has jurisdiction within Turtlecreek township in Warren county.	360 361
The Licking county municipal court has jurisdiction within Licking county.	362 363
The Lima municipal court has jurisdiction within Allen county.	364 365
The Lorain municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Sheffield Lake, and within Sheffield township, in Lorain county.	366 367 368
The Lyndhurst municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Mayfield Heights, Gates Mills, Mayfield, Highland Heights, and Richmond Heights in Cuyahoga county.	369 370 371 372
The Madison county municipal court has jurisdiction within Madison county.	373 374
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.	375 376 377 378 379
The Marietta municipal court has jurisdiction within	380

Washington county.	381
The Marion municipal court has jurisdiction within Marion county.	382 383
The Marysville municipal court has jurisdiction within Union county.	384 385
The Mason municipal court has jurisdiction within Deerfield township in Warren county.	386 387
The Massillon municipal court has jurisdiction within Bethlehem, Perry, Sugar Creek, Tuscarawas, Lawrence, and Jackson townships in Stark county.	388 389 390
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.	391 392 393 394 395 396
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.	397 398 399 400 401 402
The Mentor municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Mentor-on-the-Lake in Lake county.	403 404
The Miami county municipal court has jurisdiction within Miami county and within the part of the municipal corporation of Bradford that is located in Darke county.	405 406 407
The Miamisburg municipal court has jurisdiction within the	408

municipal corporations of Germantown and West Carrollton, and 409  
within German and Miami townships in Montgomery county. 410

The Middletown municipal court has jurisdiction within 411  
Madison township, and within all of Lemon township, except 412  
within the municipal corporation of Monroe, in Butler county. 413

Beginning July 1, 2010, the Montgomery county municipal 414  
court has jurisdiction within all of Montgomery county except 415  
for the municipal corporations of Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, 416  
Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, 417  
Union, Vandalia, and West Carrollton and Butler, German, 418  
Harrison, Miami, and Washington townships. 419

Beginning January 1, 2003, the Morrow county municipal 420  
court has jurisdiction within Morrow county. 421

The Mount Vernon municipal court has jurisdiction within 422  
Knox county. 423

The Napoleon municipal court has jurisdiction within Henry 424  
county. 425

The New Philadelphia municipal court has jurisdiction 426  
within the municipal corporation of Dover, and within Auburn, 427  
Bucks, Fairfield, Goshen, Jefferson, Warren, York, Dover, 428  
Franklin, Lawrence, Sandy, Sugarcreek, and Wayne townships in 429  
Tuscarawas county. 430

The Newton Falls municipal court has jurisdiction within 431  
Bristol, Bloomfield, Lordstown, Newton, Braceville, Southington, 432  
Farmington, and Mesopotamia townships in Trumbull county. 433

The Niles municipal court has jurisdiction within the 434  
municipal corporation of McDonald, and within Weathersfield 435  
township in Trumbull county. 436



The Norwalk municipal court has jurisdiction within all of 437  
Huron county except within the municipal corporation of Bellevue 438  
and except within Lyme and Sherman townships. 439

The Oberlin municipal court has jurisdiction within the 440  
municipal corporations of Amherst, Kipton, Rochester, South 441  
Amherst, and Wellington, and within Henrietta, Russia, Camden, 442  
Pittsfield, Brighton, Wellington, Penfield, Rochester, and 443  
Huntington townships, and within all of Amherst township except 444  
within the municipal corporation of Lorain, in Lorain county. 445

The Oregon municipal court has jurisdiction within the 446  
municipal corporation of Harbor View, and within Jerusalem 447  
township, in Lucas county, and north within Maumee Bay and Lake 448  
Erie to the boundary line between Ohio and Michigan between the 449  
easterly boundary of the court and the easterly boundary of the 450  
Toledo municipal court. 451

The Ottawa county municipal court has jurisdiction within 452  
Ottawa county. 453

The Painesville municipal court has jurisdiction within 454  
Painesville, Perry, Leroy, Concord, and Madison townships in 455  
Lake county. 456

The Parma municipal court has jurisdiction within the 457  
municipal corporations of Parma Heights, Brooklyn, Linndale, 458  
North Royalton, Broadview Heights, Seven Hills, and Brooklyn 459  
Heights in Cuyahoga county. 460

Beginning January 1, 2018, the Perry county municipal 461  
court has jurisdiction within Perry county. 462

The Perrysburg municipal court has jurisdiction within the 463  
municipal corporations of Luckey, Millbury, Northwood, Rossford, 464  
and Walbridge, and within Perrysburg, Lake, and Troy townships, 465

in Wood county.	466
The Portage county municipal court has jurisdiction within	467
Portage county.	468
The Portsmouth municipal court has jurisdiction within	469
Scioto county.	470
The Putnam county municipal court has jurisdiction within	471
Putnam county.	472
The Rocky River municipal court has jurisdiction within	473
the municipal corporations of Bay Village, Westlake, Fairview	474
Park, and North Olmsted, and within Riveredge township, in	475
Cuyahoga county.	476
The Sandusky municipal court has jurisdiction within the	477
municipal corporations of Castalia and Bay View, and within	478
Perkins township, in Erie county.	479
Beginning January 1, 2013, the Sandusky county municipal	480
court has jurisdiction within all of Sandusky county except	481
within the municipal corporations of Bellevue and Fremont and	482
Ballville, Sandusky, and York townships.	483
The Shaker Heights municipal court has jurisdiction within	484
the municipal corporations of University Heights, Beachwood,	485
Pepper Pike, and Hunting Valley in Cuyahoga county.	486
The Shelby municipal court has jurisdiction within Sharon,	487
Jackson, Cass, Plymouth, and Blooming Grove townships, and	488
within all of Butler township except sections 35-36-31 and 32,	489
in Richland county.	490
The Sidney municipal court has jurisdiction within Shelby	491
county.	492

Beginning January 1, 2009, the Stow municipal court has 493  
jurisdiction within Boston, Hudson, Northfield Center, Sagamore 494  
Hills, and Twinsburg townships, and within the municipal 495  
corporations of Boston Heights, Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Munroe 496  
Falls, Northfield, Peninsula, Reminderville, Silver Lake, Stow, 497  
Tallmadge, Twinsburg, and Macedonia, in Summit county. 498

The Struthers municipal court has jurisdiction within the 499  
municipal corporations of Lowellville, New Middleton, and 500  
Poland, and within Poland and Springfield townships in Mahoning 501  
county. 502

The Sylvania municipal court has jurisdiction within the 503  
municipal corporations of Berkey and Holland, and within 504  
Sylvania, Richfield, Spencer, and Harding townships, and within 505  
those portions of Swanton, Monclova, and Springfield townships 506  
lying north of the northerly boundary line of the Ohio turnpike, 507  
in Lucas county. 508

Beginning January 1, 2014, the Tiffin-Fostoria municipal 509  
court has jurisdiction within Adams, Big Spring, Bloom, Clinton, 510  
Eden, Hopewell, Jackson, Liberty, Loudon, Pleasant, Reed, 511  
Scipio, Seneca, Thompson, and Venice townships in Seneca county, 512  
within Washington township in Hancock county, and within Perry 513  
township, except within the municipal corporation of West 514  
Millgrove, in Wood county. 515

The Toledo municipal court has jurisdiction within 516  
Washington township, and within the municipal corporation of 517  
Ottawa Hills, in Lucas county. 518

The Upper Sandusky municipal court has jurisdiction within 519  
Wyandot county. 520

The Vandalia municipal court has jurisdiction within the 521

municipal corporations of Clayton, Englewood, and Union, and	522
within Butler, Harrison, and Randolph townships, in Montgomery	523
county.	524
The Van Wert municipal court has jurisdiction within Van	525
Wert county.	526
The Vermilion municipal court has jurisdiction within the	527
townships of Vermilion and Florence in Erie county and within	528
all of Brownhelm township except within the municipal	529
corporation of Lorain, in Lorain county.	530
The Wadsworth municipal court has jurisdiction within the	531
municipal corporations of Gloria Glens Park, Lodi, Seville, and	532
Westfield Center, and within Guilford, Harrisville, Homer,	533
Sharon, Wadsworth, and Westfield townships in Medina county.	534
The Warren municipal court has jurisdiction within Warren	535
and Champion townships, and within all of Howland township	536
except within the municipal corporation of Niles, in Trumbull	537
county.	538
The Washington Court House municipal court has	539
jurisdiction within Fayette county.	540
The Wayne county municipal court has jurisdiction within	541
Wayne county.	542
The Willoughby municipal court has jurisdiction within the	543
municipal corporations of Eastlake, Wickliffe, Willowick,	544
Willoughby Hills, Kirtland, Kirtland Hills, Waite Hill,	545
Timberlake, and Lakeline, and within Kirtland township, in Lake	546
county.	547
Through June 30, 1992, the Wilmington municipal court has	548
jurisdiction within Clinton county.	549

The Xenia municipal court has jurisdiction within 550  
Caesarcreek, Cedarville, Jefferson, Miami, New Jasper, Ross, 551  
Silvercreek, Spring Valley, Sugarcreek, and Xenia townships in 552  
Greene county. 553

(C) As used in this section: 554

(1) "Within a township" includes all land, including, but 555  
not limited to, any part of any municipal corporation, that is 556  
physically located within the territorial boundaries of that 557  
township, whether or not that land or municipal corporation is 558  
governmentally a part of the township. 559

(2) "Within a municipal corporation" includes all land 560  
within the territorial boundaries of the municipal corporation 561  
and any townships that are coextensive with the municipal 562  
corporation. 563

**Sec. 1901.03.** As used in this chapter: 564

(A) "Territory" means the geographical areas within which 565  
municipal courts have jurisdiction as provided in sections 566  
1901.01 and 1901.02 of the Revised Code. 567

(B) "Legislative authority" means the legislative 568  
authority of the municipal corporation in which a municipal 569  
court, other than a county-operated municipal court, is located, 570  
and means the respective board of county commissioners of the 571  
county in which a county-operated municipal court is located. 572

(C) "Chief executive" means the chief executive of the 573  
municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other than a 574  
county-operated municipal court, is located, and means the 575  
respective chairman of the board of county commissioners of the 576  
county in which a county-operated municipal court is located. 577

(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 county, Ottawa county, Portage county, Putnam county, or Wayne county municipal court and, effective January 1, ~~2013~~ 2018, also includes the ~~Sandusky-Perry~~ county municipal court.

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

**Sec. 1901.07.** (A) All municipal court judges shall be elected on the nonpartisan ballot for terms of six years. In a municipal court in which only one judge is to be elected in any one year, that judge's term commences on the first day of January after the election. In a municipal court in which two or more judges are to be elected in any one year, their terms commence on successive days beginning the first day of January, following the election, unless otherwise provided by section 1901.08 of the Revised Code.

(B) All candidates for municipal court judge may be 607  
nominated either by nominating petition or by primary election, 608  
except that if the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends 609  
only to the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in 610  
which the court is located and that municipal corporation 611  
operates under a charter, all candidates shall be nominated in 612  
the same manner provided in the charter for the office of 613  
municipal court judge or, if no specific provisions are made in 614  
the charter for the office of municipal court judge, in the same 615  
manner as the charter prescribes for the nomination and election 616  
of the legislative authority of the municipal corporation. 617

If the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends beyond 618  
the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 619  
located or if the jurisdiction of the court does not extend 620  
beyond the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in 621  
which it is located and no charter provisions apply, all 622  
candidates for party nomination to the office of municipal court 623  
judge shall file a declaration of candidacy and petition not 624  
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 625  
primary election in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 of 626  
the Revised Code. The petition shall conform to the requirements 627  
provided for those petitions of candidacy contained in section 628  
3513.05 of the Revised Code, except that the petition shall be 629  
signed by at least fifty electors of the territory of the court. 630  
If no valid declaration of candidacy is filed for nomination as 631  
a candidate of a political party for election to the office of 632  
municipal court judge, or if the number of persons filing the 633  
declarations of candidacy for nominations as candidates of one 634  
political party for election to the office does not exceed the 635  
number of candidates that that party is entitled to nominate as 636  
its candidates for election to the office, no primary election 637

shall be held for the purpose of nominating candidates of that 638  
party for election to the office, and the candidates shall be 639  
issued certificates of nomination in the manner set forth in 640  
section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 641

If the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends beyond 642  
the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 643  
located or if the jurisdiction of the court does not extend 644  
beyond the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in 645  
which it is located and no charter provisions apply, nonpartisan 646  
candidates for the office of municipal court judge shall file 647  
nominating petitions not later than four p.m. of the day before 648  
the day of the primary election in the form prescribed by 649  
section 3513.261 of the Revised Code. The petition shall conform 650  
to the requirements provided for those petitions of candidacy 651  
contained in section 3513.257 of the Revised Code, except that 652  
the petition shall be signed by at least fifty electors of the 653  
territory of the court. 654

The nominating petition or declaration of candidacy for a 655  
municipal court judge shall contain a designation of the term 656  
for which the candidate seeks election. At the following regular 657  
municipal election, the candidacies of the judges nominated 658  
shall be submitted to the electors of the territory on a 659  
nonpartisan, judicial ballot in the same manner as provided for 660  
judges of the court of common pleas, except that, in a municipal 661  
corporation operating under a charter, all candidates for 662  
municipal court judge shall be elected in conformity with the 663  
charter if provisions are made in the charter for the election 664  
of municipal court judges. 665

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



and elected as follows: 668

(1) In the Cleveland municipal court, the judges shall be 669  
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 670  
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be 671  
in the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and 672  
within the time prescribed by the charter of the city of 673  
Cleveland for filing petitions of candidates for municipal 674  
offices. Each elector shall have the right to sign petitions for 675  
as many candidates as are to be elected, but no more. The judges 676  
shall be elected by the electors of the territory of the court 677  
in the manner provided by law for the election of judges of the 678  
court of common pleas. 679

(2) In the Toledo municipal court, the judges shall be 680  
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 681  
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be 682  
in the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and 683  
within the time prescribed by the charter of the city of Toledo 684  
for filing nominating petitions for city council. Each elector 685  
shall have the right to sign petitions for as many candidates as 686  
are to be elected, but no more. The judges shall be elected by 687  
the electors of the territory of the court in the manner 688  
provided by law for the election of judges of the court of 689  
common pleas. 690

(3) In the Akron municipal court, the judges shall be 691  
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 692  
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be 693  
in statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and within 694  
the time prescribed by the charter of the city of Akron for 695  
filing nominating petitions of candidates for municipal offices. 696  
Each elector shall have the right to sign petitions for as many 697

candidates as are to be elected, but no more. The judges shall 698  
be elected by the electors of the territory of the court in the 699  
manner provided by law for the election of judges of the court 700  
of common pleas. 701

(4) In the Hamilton county municipal court, the judges 702  
shall be nominated only by petition. The petition shall be 703  
signed by at least one hundred electors of the judicial district 704  
of the county from which the candidate seeks election, which 705  
petitions shall be signed and filed not later than four p.m. of 706  
the day before the day of the primary election in the form 707  
prescribed by section 3513.261 of the Revised Code. Unless 708  
otherwise provided in this section, the petition shall conform 709  
to the requirements provided for nominating petitions in section 710  
3513.257 of the Revised Code. The judges shall be elected by the 711  
electors of the relative judicial district of the county at the 712  
regular municipal election and in the manner provided by law for 713  
the election of judges of the court of common pleas. 714

(5) In the Franklin county municipal court, the judges 715  
shall be nominated only by petition. The petition shall be 716  
signed by at least fifty electors of the territory of the court. 717  
The petition shall be in the statutory form and shall be filed 718  
in the manner and within the time prescribed by the charter of 719  
the city of Columbus for filing petitions of candidates for 720  
municipal offices. The judges shall be elected by the electors 721  
of the territory of the court in the manner provided by law for 722  
the election of judges of the court of common pleas. 723

(6) In the Auglaize, Brown, Carroll, Clermont, Crawford, 724  
Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Madison, Miami, Morrow, Perry, 725  
Putnam, Sandusky, and Wayne county municipal courts, the judges 726  
shall be nominated only by petition. The petitions shall be 727

signed by at least fifty electors of the territory of the court 728  
and shall conform to the provisions of this section. 729

(D) In the Portage county municipal court, the judges 730  
shall be nominated either by nominating petition or by primary 731  
election, as provided in division (B) of this section. 732

(E) As used in this section, as to an election for either 733  
a full or an unexpired term, "the territory within the 734  
jurisdiction of the court" means that territory as it will be on 735  
the first day of January after the election. 736

**Sec. 1901.08.** The number of, and the time for election of, 737  
judges of the following municipal courts and the beginning of 738  
their terms shall be as follows: 739

In the Akron municipal court, two full-time judges shall 740  
be elected in 1951, two full-time judges shall be elected in 741  
1953, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, and one 742  
full-time judge shall be elected in 1975. 743

In the Alliance municipal court, one full-time judge shall 744  
be elected in 1953. 745

In the Ashland municipal court, one full-time judge shall 746  
be elected in 1951. 747

In the Ashtabula municipal court, one full-time judge 748  
shall be elected in 1953. 749

In the Athens county municipal court, one full-time judge 750  
shall be elected in 1967. 751

In the Auglaize county municipal court, one full-time 752  
judge shall be elected in 1975. 753

In the Avon Lake municipal court, one full-time judge 754

shall be elected in 2017. On and after ~~the effective date of~~ 755  
~~this amendment~~ September 15, 2014, the part-time judge of the 756  
Avon Lake municipal court who was elected in 2011 shall serve as 757  
a full-time judge of the court until the end of that judge's 758  
term on December 31, 2017. 759

In the Barberton municipal court, one full-time judge 760  
shall be elected in 1969, and one full-time judge shall be 761  
elected in 1971. 762

In the Bedford municipal court, one full-time judge shall 763  
be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 764  
1979. 765

In the Bellefontaine municipal court, one full-time judge 766  
shall be elected in 1993. 767

In the Bellevue municipal court, one part-time judge shall 768  
be elected in 1951. 769

In the Berea municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 770  
elected in 2005. 771

In the Bowling Green municipal court, one full-time judge 772  
shall be elected in 1983. 773

In the Brown county municipal court, one full-time judge 774  
shall be elected in 2005. Beginning February 9, 2003, the part- 775  
time judge of the Brown county county court that existed prior 776  
to that date whose term commenced on January 2, 2001, shall 777  
serve as the full-time judge of the Brown county municipal court 778  
until December 31, 2005. 779

In the Bryan municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 780  
elected in 1965. 781

In the Cambridge municipal court, one full-time judge 782

shall be elected in 1951.	783
In the Campbell municipal court, one part-time judge shall	784
be elected in 1963.	785
In the Canton municipal court, one full-time judge shall	786
be elected in 1951, one full-time judge shall be elected in	787
1969, and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1977.	788
In the Carroll county municipal court, one full-time judge	789
shall be elected in 2009. Beginning January 1, 2007, the judge	790
elected in 2006 to the part-time judgeship of the Carroll county	791
county court that existed prior to that date shall serve as the	792
full-time judge of the Carroll county municipal court until	793
December 31, 2009.	794
In the Celina municipal court, one full-time judge shall	795
be elected in 1957.	796
In the Champaign county municipal court, one full-time	797
judge shall be elected in 2001.	798
In the Chardon municipal court, one full-time judge shall	799
be elected in 1963.	800
In the Chillicothe municipal court, one full-time judge	801
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be	802
elected in 1977.	803
In the Circleville municipal court, one full-time judge	804
shall be elected in 1953.	805
In the Clark county municipal court, one full-time judge	806
shall be elected in 1989, and two full-time judges shall be	807
elected in 1991. The full-time judges of the Springfield	808
municipal court who were elected in 1983 and 1985 shall serve as	809
the judges of the Clark county municipal court from January 1,	810

1988, until the end of their respective terms. 811

In the Clermont county municipal court, two full-time 812  
judges shall be elected in 1991, and one full-time judge shall 813  
be elected in 1999. 814

In the Cleveland municipal court, six full-time judges 815  
shall be elected in 1975, three full-time judges shall be 816  
elected in 1953, and four full-time judges shall be elected in 817  
1955. 818

In the Cleveland Heights municipal court, one full-time 819  
judge shall be elected in 1957. 820

In the Clinton county municipal court, one full-time judge 821  
shall be elected in 1997. The full-time judge of the Wilmington 822  
municipal court who was elected in 1991 shall serve as the judge 823  
of the Clinton county municipal court from July 1, 1992, until 824  
the end of that judge's term on December 31, 1997. 825

In the Columbiana county municipal court, two full-time 826  
judges shall be elected in 2001. 827

In the Conneaut municipal court, one full-time judge shall 828  
be elected in 1953. 829

In the Coshocton municipal court, one full-time judge 830  
shall be elected in 1951. 831

In the Crawford county municipal court, one full-time 832  
judge shall be elected in 1977. 833

In the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, one full-time judge 834  
shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be 835  
elected in 1967. Effective December 31, 2008, the Cuyahoga Falls 836  
municipal court shall cease to exist; however, the judges of the 837  
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court who were elected pursuant to this 838

section in 2003 and 2007 for terms beginning on January 1, 2004, 839  
and January 1, 2008, respectively, shall serve as full-time 840  
judges of the Stow municipal court until December 31, 2009, and 841  
December 31, 2013, respectively. 842

In the Darke county municipal court, one full-time judge 843  
shall be elected in 2005. Beginning January 1, 2005, the part- 844  
time judge of the Darke county county court that existed prior 845  
to that date whose term began on January 1, 2001, shall serve as 846  
the full-time judge of the Darke county municipal court until 847  
December 31, 2005. 848

In the Dayton municipal court, three full-time judges 849  
shall be elected in 1987, their terms to commence on successive 850  
days beginning on the first day of January next after their 851  
election, and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1955, 852  
their terms to commence on successive days beginning on the 853  
second day of January next after their election. 854

In the Defiance municipal court, one full-time judge shall 855  
be elected in 1957. 856

In the Delaware municipal court, one full-time judge shall 857  
be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 858  
2007. 859

In the East Cleveland municipal court, one full-time judge 860  
shall be elected in 1957. 861

In the East Liverpool municipal court, one full-time judge 862  
shall be elected in 1953. 863

In the Eaton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 864  
elected in 1973. 865

In the Elyria municipal court, one full-time judge shall 866

be elected in 1955, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973.	867 868
In the Erie county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2007.	869 870
In the Euclid municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	871 872
In the Fairborn municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1977.	873 874
In the Fairfield county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2003, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 2005.	875 876 877
In the Fairfield municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1989.	878 879
In the Findlay municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1955, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1993.	880 881 882
In the Franklin municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	883 884
In the Franklin county municipal court, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1969, three full-time judges shall be elected in 1971, seven full-time judges shall be elected in 1967, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1991, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1997.	885 886 887 888 889 890
In the Fremont municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975.	891 892
In the Gallipolis municipal court, one full-time judge	893



shall be elected in 1981. 894

In the Garfield Heights municipal court, one full-time 895  
judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be 896  
elected in 1981. 897

In the Girard municipal court, one full-time judge shall 898  
be elected in 1963. 899

In the Hamilton municipal court, one full-time judge shall 900  
be elected in 1953. 901

In the Hamilton county municipal court, five full-time 902  
judges shall be elected in 1967, five full-time judges shall be 903  
elected in 1971, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1981, 904  
and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1983. All terms of 905  
judges of the Hamilton county municipal court shall commence on 906  
the first day of January next after their election, except that 907  
the terms of the additional judges to be elected in 1981 shall 908  
commence on January 2, 1982, and January 3, 1982, and that the 909  
terms of the additional judges to be elected in 1983 shall 910  
commence on January 4, 1984, and January 5, 1984. 911

In the Hardin county municipal court, one part-time judge 912  
shall be elected in 1989. 913

In the Hillsboro municipal court, one full-time judge 914  
shall be elected in 2011. On and after December 30, 2008, the 915  
part-time judge of the Hillsboro municipal court who was elected 916  
in 2005 shall serve as a full-time judge of the court until the 917  
end of that judge's term on December 31, 2011. 918

In the Hocking county municipal court, one full-time judge 919  
shall be elected in 1977. 920

In the Holmes county municipal court, one full-time judge 921

shall be elected in 2007. Beginning January 1, 2007, the part- 922  
time judge of the Holmes county county court that existed prior 923  
to that date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall 924  
serve as the full-time judge of the Holmes county municipal 925  
court until December 31, 2007. 926

In the Huron municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 927  
elected in 1967. 928

In the Ironton municipal court, one full-time judge shall 929  
be elected in 1951. 930

In the Jackson county municipal court, one full-time judge 931  
shall be elected in 2001. On and after March 31, 1997, the part- 932  
time judge of the Jackson county municipal court who was elected 933  
in 1995 shall serve as a full-time judge of the court until the 934  
end of that judge's term on December 31, 2001. 935

In the Kettering municipal court, one full-time judge 936  
shall be elected in 1971, and one full-time judge shall be 937  
elected in 1975. 938

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

In the Lancaster municipal court, one full-time judge 941  
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be 942  
elected in 1979. Beginning January 2, 2000, the full-time judges 943  
of the Lancaster municipal court who were elected in 1997 and 944  
1999 shall serve as judges of the Fairfield county municipal 945  
court until the end of those judges' terms. 946

In the Lawrence county municipal court, one part-time 947  
judge shall be elected in 1981. 948

In the Lebanon municipal court, one part-time judge shall 949

be elected in 1955.	950
In the Licking county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	951 952 953
In the Lima municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967.	954 955 956
In the Lorain municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973.	957 958 959
In the Lyndhurst municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	960 961
In the Madison county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1981.	962 963
In the Mansfield municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1969.	964 965 966
In the Marietta municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	967 968
In the Marion municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	969 970
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.	971 972 973 974 975
In the Mason municipal court, one part-time judge shall be	976

elected in 1965.	977
In the Massillon municipal court, one full-time judge	978
shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be	979
elected in 1971.	980
In the Maumee municipal court, one full-time judge shall	981
be elected in 1963.	982
In the Medina municipal court, one full-time judge shall	983
be elected in 1957.	984
In the Mentor municipal court, one full-time judge shall	985
be elected in 1971.	986
In the Miami county municipal court, one full-time judge	987
shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be	988
elected in 1979.	989
In the Miamisburg municipal court, one full-time judge	990
shall be elected in 1951.	991
In the Middletown municipal court, one full-time judge	992
shall be elected in 1953.	993
In the Montgomery county municipal court:	994
One judge shall be elected in 2011 to a part-time	995
judgeship for a term to begin on January 1, 2012. If any one of	996
the other judgeships of the court becomes vacant and is	997
abolished after July 1, 2010, this judgeship shall become a	998
full-time judgeship on that date. If only one other judgeship of	999
the court becomes vacant and is abolished as of December 31,	1000
2021, this judgeship shall be abolished as of that date.	1001
Beginning July 1, 2010, the part-time judge of the Montgomery	1002
county county court that existed before that date whose term	1003
commenced on January 1, 2005, shall serve as a part-time judge	1004

of the Montgomery county municipal court until December 31, 1005  
2011. 1006

One judge shall be elected in 2011 to a full-time 1007  
judgeship for a term to begin on January 2, 2012, and this 1008  
judgeship shall be abolished on January 1, 2016. Beginning July 1009  
1, 2010, the part-time judge of the Montgomery county county 1010  
court that existed before that date whose term commenced on 1011  
January 2, 2005, shall serve as a full-time judge of the 1012  
Montgomery county municipal court until January 1, 2012. 1013

One judge shall be elected in 2013 to a full-time 1014  
judgeship for a term to begin on January 2, 2014. Beginning July 1015  
1, 2010, the part-time judge of the Montgomery county county 1016  
court that existed before that date whose term commenced on 1017  
January 2, 2007, shall serve as a full-time judge of the 1018  
Montgomery county municipal court until January 1, 2014. 1019

One judge shall be elected in 2013 to a judgeship for a 1020  
term to begin on January 1, 2014. If no other judgeship of the 1021  
court becomes vacant and is abolished by January 1, 2014, this 1022  
judgeship shall be a part-time judgeship. When one or more of 1023  
the other judgeships of the court becomes vacant and is 1024  
abolished after July 1, 2010, this judgeship shall become a 1025  
full-time judgeship. Beginning July 1, 2010, the part-time judge 1026  
of the Montgomery county county court that existed before that 1027  
date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall serve as 1028  
this judge of the Montgomery county municipal court until 1029  
December 31, 2013. 1030

If any one of the judgeships of the court becomes vacant 1031  
before December 31, 2021, that judgeship is abolished on the 1032  
date that it becomes vacant, and the other judges of the court 1033  
shall be or serve as full-time judges. The abolishment of 1034

judgeships for the Montgomery county municipal court shall cease 1035  
when the court has two full-time judgeships. 1036

In the Morrow county municipal court, one full-time judge 1037  
shall be elected in 2005. Beginning January 1, 2003, the part- 1038  
time judge of the Morrow county county court that existed prior 1039  
to that date shall serve as the full-time judge of the Morrow 1040  
county municipal court until December 31, 2005. 1041

In the Mount Vernon municipal court, one full-time judge 1042  
shall be elected in 1951. 1043

In the Napoleon municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1044  
be elected in 2005. 1045

In the New Philadelphia municipal court, one full-time 1046  
judge shall be elected in 1975. 1047

In the Newton Falls municipal court, one full-time judge 1048  
shall be elected in 1963. 1049

In the Niles municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1050  
elected in 1951. 1051

In the Norwalk municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1052  
be elected in 1975. 1053

In the Oakwood municipal court, one part-time judge shall 1054  
be elected in 1953. 1055

In the Oberlin municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1056  
be elected in 1989. 1057

In the Oregon municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1058  
be elected in 1963. 1059

In the Ottawa county municipal court, one full-time judge 1060  
shall be elected in 1995, and the full-time judge of the Port 1061

Clinton municipal court who is elected in 1989 shall serve as 1062  
the judge of the Ottawa county municipal court from February 4, 1063  
1994, until the end of that judge's term. 1064

In the Painesville municipal court, one full-time judge 1065  
shall be elected in 1951. 1066

In the Parma municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1067  
elected in 1951, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, 1068  
and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971. 1069

In the Perry county municipal court to be established on 1070  
January 1, 2018, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2017. 1071

In the Perrysburg municipal court, one full-time judge 1072  
shall be elected in 1977. 1073

In the Portage county municipal court, two full-time 1074  
judges shall be elected in 1979, and one full-time judge shall 1075  
be elected in 1971. 1076

In the Port Clinton municipal court, one full-time judge 1077  
shall be elected in 1953. The full-time judge of the Port 1078  
Clinton municipal court who is elected in 1989 shall serve as 1079  
the judge of the Ottawa county municipal court from February 4, 1080  
1994, until the end of that judge's term. 1081

In the Portsmouth municipal court, one full-time judge 1082  
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be 1083  
elected in 1985. 1084

In the Putnam county municipal court, one full-time judge 1085  
shall be elected in 2011. Beginning January 1, 2011, the part- 1086  
time judge of the Putnam county county court that existed prior 1087  
to that date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall 1088  
serve as the full-time judge of the Putnam county municipal 1089

court until December 31, 2011. 1090

In the Rocky River municipal court, one full-time judge 1091  
shall be elected in 1957, and one full-time judge shall be 1092  
elected in 1971. 1093

In the Sandusky municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1094  
be elected in 1953. 1095

In the Sandusky county municipal court, one full-time 1096  
judge shall be elected in 2013. Beginning on January 1, 2013, 1097  
the two part-time judges of the Sandusky county court 1098  
that existed prior to that date shall serve as part-time judges 1099  
of the Sandusky county municipal court until December 31, 2013. 1100  
If either judgeship becomes vacant before January 1, 2014, that 1101  
judgeship is abolished on the date it becomes vacant, and the 1102  
person who holds the other judgeship shall serve as the full- 1103  
time judge of the Sandusky county municipal court until December 1104  
31, 2013. 1105

In the Shaker Heights municipal court, one full-time judge 1106  
shall be elected in 1957. 1107

In the Shelby municipal court, one part-time judge shall 1108  
be elected in 1957. 1109

In the Sidney municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1110  
be elected in 1995. 1111

In the South Euclid municipal court, one full-time judge 1112  
shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected in 1993, 1113  
whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve until 1114  
December 31, 1999, and the office of that judge is abolished on 1115  
January 1, 2000. 1116

In the Springfield municipal court, two full-time judges 1117



shall be elected in 1985, and one full-time judge shall be 1118  
elected in 1983, all of whom shall serve as the judges of the 1119  
Springfield municipal court through December 31, 1987, and as 1120  
the judges of the Clark county municipal court from January 1, 1121  
1988, until the end of their respective terms. 1122

In the Steubenville municipal court, one full-time judge 1123  
shall be elected in 1953. 1124

In the Stow municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1125  
elected in 2009, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1126  
2013. Beginning January 1, 2009, the judge of the Cuyahoga Falls 1127  
municipal court that existed prior to that date whose term 1128  
commenced on January 1, 2008, shall serve as a full-time judge 1129  
of the Stow municipal court until December 31, 2013. Beginning 1130  
January 1, 2009, the judge of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court 1131  
that existed prior to that date whose term commenced on January 1132  
1, 2004, shall serve as a full-time judge of the Stow municipal 1133  
court until December 31, 2009. 1134

In the Struthers municipal court, one part-time judge 1135  
shall be elected in 1963. 1136

In the Sylvania municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1137  
be elected in 1963. 1138

In the Tiffin-Fostoria municipal court, one full-time 1139  
judge shall be elected in 2013. 1140

In the Toledo municipal court, two full-time judges shall 1141  
be elected in 1971, four full-time judges shall be elected in 1142  
1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973. 1143

In the Upper Sandusky municipal court, one full-time judge 1144  
shall be elected in 2011. The part-time judge elected in 2005, 1145  
whose term commenced on January 1, 2006, shall serve as a full- 1146

time judge on and after January 1, 2008, until the expiration of 1147  
that judge's term on December 31, 2011, and the office of that 1148  
judge is abolished on January 1, 2012. 1149

In the Vandalia municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1150  
be elected in 1959. 1151

In the Van Wert municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1152  
be elected in 1957. 1153

In the Vermilion municipal court, one part-time judge 1154  
shall be elected in 1965. 1155

In the Wadsworth municipal court, one full-time judge 1156  
shall be elected in 1981. 1157

In the Warren municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1158  
be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1159  
1971. 1160

In the Washington Court House municipal court, one full- 1161  
time judge shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected 1162  
in 1993, whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve 1163  
until December 31, 1999, and the office of that judge is 1164  
abolished on January 1, 2000. 1165

In the Wayne county municipal court, one full-time judge 1166  
shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be 1167  
elected in 1979. 1168

In the Willoughby municipal court, one full-time judge 1169  
shall be elected in 1951. 1170

In the Wilmington municipal court, one full-time judge 1171  
shall be elected in 1991, who shall serve as the judge of the 1172  
Wilmington municipal court through June 30, 1992, and as the 1173  
judge of the Clinton county municipal court from July 1, 1992, 1174

until the end of that judge's term on December 31, 1997. 1175

In the Xenia municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1176  
elected in 1977. 1177

In the Youngstown municipal court, one full-time judge 1178  
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be 1179  
elected in 2013. 1180

In the Zanesville municipal court, one full-time judge 1181  
shall be elected in 1953. 1182

**Sec. 1901.31.** The clerk and deputy clerks of a municipal 1183  
court shall be selected, be compensated, give bond, and have 1184  
powers and duties as follows: 1185

(A) There shall be a clerk of the court who is appointed 1186  
or elected as follows: 1187

(1) (a) Except in the Akron, Barberton, Toledo, Hamilton 1188  
county, Miami county, Montgomery county, Portage county, and 1189  
Wayne county municipal courts and through December 31, 2008, the 1190  
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, if the population of the 1191  
territory equals or exceeds one hundred thousand at the regular 1192  
municipal election immediately preceding the expiration of the 1193  
term of the present clerk, the clerk shall be nominated and 1194  
elected by the qualified electors of the territory in the manner 1195  
that is provided for the nomination and election of judges in 1196  
section 1901.07 of the Revised Code. 1197

The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of six 1198  
years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1199  
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1200  
successor is elected and qualified. 1201

(b) In the Hamilton county municipal court, the clerk of 1202

courts of Hamilton county shall be the clerk of the municipal 1203  
court and may appoint an assistant clerk who shall receive the 1204  
compensation, payable out of the treasury of Hamilton county in 1205  
semimonthly installments, that the board of county commissioners 1206  
prescribes. The clerk of courts of Hamilton county, acting as 1207  
the clerk of the Hamilton county municipal court and assuming 1208  
the duties of that office, shall receive compensation at one- 1209  
fourth the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of 1210  
common pleas as determined in accordance with the population of 1211  
the county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 1212  
of the Revised Code. This compensation shall be paid from the 1213  
county treasury in semimonthly installments and is in addition 1214  
to the annual compensation that is received for the performance 1215  
of the duties of the clerk of courts of Hamilton county, as 1216  
provided in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. 1217

(c) In the Portage county and Wayne county municipal 1218  
courts, the clerks of courts of Portage county and Wayne county 1219  
shall be the clerks, respectively, of the Portage county and 1220  
Wayne county municipal courts and may appoint a chief deputy 1221  
clerk for each branch that is established pursuant to section 1222  
1901.311 of the Revised Code and assistant clerks as the judges 1223  
of the municipal court determine are necessary, all of whom 1224  
shall receive the compensation that the legislative authority 1225  
prescribes. The clerks of courts of Portage county and Wayne 1226  
county, acting as the clerks of the Portage county and Wayne 1227  
county municipal courts and assuming the duties of these 1228  
offices, shall receive compensation payable from the county 1229  
treasury in semimonthly installments at one-fourth the rate that 1230  
is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas as 1231  
determined in accordance with the population of the county and 1232  
the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised 1233

Code. 1234

(d) In the Montgomery county and Miami county municipal 1235  
courts, the clerks of courts of Montgomery county and Miami 1236  
county shall be the clerks, respectively, of the Montgomery 1237  
county and Miami county municipal courts. The clerks of courts 1238  
of Montgomery county and Miami county, acting as the clerks of 1239  
the Montgomery county and Miami county municipal courts and 1240  
assuming the duties of these offices, shall receive compensation 1241  
at one-fourth the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of 1242  
courts of common pleas as determined in accordance with the 1243  
population of the county and the rates set forth in sections 1244  
325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. This compensation shall 1245  
be paid from the county treasury in semimonthly installments and 1246  
is in addition to the annual compensation that is received for 1247  
the performance of the duties of the clerks of courts of 1248  
Montgomery county and Miami county, as provided in sections 1249  
325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. 1250

(e) Except as otherwise provided in division (A) (1) (e) of 1251  
this section, in the Akron municipal court, candidates for 1252  
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated 1253  
by primary election. The primary election shall be held on the 1254  
day specified in the charter of the city of Akron for the 1255  
nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary 1256  
provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, 1257  
the declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan 1258  
candidates and the nominating petitions of independent 1259  
candidates for the office of clerk of the Akron municipal court 1260  
shall be signed by at least fifty qualified electors of the 1261  
territory of the court. 1262

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1263

petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1264  
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1265  
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1266  
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1267  
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1268  
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1269  
Revised Code. 1270

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed 1271  
by any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular 1272  
political party for election to the office of clerk of the Akron 1273  
municipal court, a primary election shall not be held for the 1274  
purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for election to 1275  
that office. If only one person files a valid declaration of 1276  
candidacy and petition for nomination as a candidate of a 1277  
particular political party for election to that office, a 1278  
primary election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating 1279  
a candidate of that party for election to that office, and the 1280  
candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the 1281  
manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1282

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1283  
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of 1284  
clerk of the Akron municipal court shall contain a designation 1285  
of the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the 1286  
following regular municipal election, all candidates for the 1287  
office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1288  
territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1289  
1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of 1290  
the court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of 1291  
six years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1292  
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1293  
successor is elected and qualified. 1294

(f) Except as otherwise provided in division (A) (1) (f) of 1295  
this section, in the Barberton municipal court, candidates for 1296  
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated 1297  
by primary election. The primary election shall be held on the 1298  
day specified in the charter of the city of Barberton for the 1299  
nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary 1300  
provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, 1301  
the declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan 1302  
candidates and the nominating petitions of independent 1303  
candidates for the office of clerk of the Barberton municipal 1304  
court shall be signed by at least fifty qualified electors of 1305  
the territory of the court. 1306

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1307  
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1308  
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1309  
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1310  
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1311  
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1312  
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1313  
Revised Code. 1314

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed 1315  
by any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular 1316  
political party for election to the office of clerk of the 1317  
Barberton municipal court, a primary election shall not be held 1318  
for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 1319  
election to that office. If only one person files a valid 1320  
declaration of candidacy and petition for nomination as a 1321  
candidate of a particular political party for election to that 1322  
office, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 1323  
nominating a candidate of that party for election to that 1324  
office, and the candidate shall be issued a certificate of 1325

nomination in the manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code.

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

(g) (i) Through December 31, 2008, except as otherwise provided in division (A) (1) (g) (i) of this section, in the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, candidates for election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day specified in the charter of the city of Cuyahoga Falls for the nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and the nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office of clerk of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall be signed by at least fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court.

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



primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1356  
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1357  
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1358  
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1359  
Revised Code. 1360

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed 1361  
by any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular 1362  
political party for election to the office of clerk of the 1363  
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, a primary election shall not be 1364  
held for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 1365  
election to that office. If only one person files a valid 1366  
declaration of candidacy and petition for nomination as a 1367  
candidate of a particular political party for election to that 1368  
office, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 1369  
nominating a candidate of that party for election to that 1370  
office, and the candidate shall be issued a certificate of 1371  
nomination in the manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the 1372  
Revised Code. 1373

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1374  
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of 1375  
clerk of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall contain a 1376  
designation of the term for which the candidate seeks election. 1377  
At the following regular municipal election, all candidates for 1378  
the office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1379  
territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1380  
1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of 1381  
the court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of 1382  
six years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1383  
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1384  
successor is elected and qualified. 1385

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

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

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

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

primary election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating 1416  
a candidate of that party for election to that office, and the 1417  
candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the 1418  
manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1419

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1420  
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of 1421  
clerk of the Toledo municipal court shall contain a designation 1422  
of the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the 1423  
following regular municipal election, all candidates for the 1424  
office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1425  
territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1426  
1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of 1427  
the court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of 1428  
six years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1429  
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1430  
successor is elected and qualified. 1431

(2) (a) Except for the Alliance, Auglaize county, Brown 1432  
county, Columbiana county, Holmes county, Perry county, Putnam 1433  
county, Sandusky county, Lorain, Massillon, and Youngstown 1434  
municipal courts, in a municipal court for which the population 1435  
of the territory is less than one hundred thousand, the clerk 1436  
shall be appointed by the court, and the clerk shall hold office 1437  
until the clerk's successor is appointed and qualified. 1438

(b) In the Alliance, Lorain, Massillon, and Youngstown 1439  
municipal courts, the clerk shall be elected for a term of 1440  
office as described in division (A) (1) (a) of this section. 1441

(c) In the Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, 1442  
Perry county, Putnam county, and Sandusky county municipal 1443  
courts, the clerks of courts of Auglaize county, Brown county, 1444  
Holmes county, Perry county, Putnam county, and Sandusky county 1445

shall be the clerks, respectively, of the Auglaize county, Brown 1446  
county, Holmes county, Perry county, Putnam county, and Sandusky 1447  
county municipal courts and may appoint a chief deputy clerk for 1448  
each branch office that is established pursuant to section 1449  
1901.311 of the Revised Code, and assistant clerks as the judge 1450  
of the court determines are necessary, all of whom shall receive 1451  
the compensation that the legislative authority prescribes. The 1452  
clerks of courts of Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes 1453  
county, Perry county, Putnam county, and Sandusky county, acting 1454  
as the clerks of the Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes 1455  
county, Perry county, Putnam county, and Sandusky county 1456  
municipal courts and assuming the duties of these offices, shall 1457  
receive compensation payable from the county treasury in 1458  
semimonthly installments at one-fourth the rate that is 1459  
prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas as 1460  
determined in accordance with the population of the county and 1461  
the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised 1462  
Code. 1463

(d) In the Columbiana county municipal court, the clerk of 1464  
courts of Columbiana county shall be the clerk of the municipal 1465  
court, may appoint a chief deputy clerk for each branch office 1466  
that is established pursuant to section 1901.311 of the Revised 1467  
Code, and may appoint any assistant clerks that the judges of 1468  
the court determine are necessary. All of the chief deputy 1469  
clerks and assistant clerks shall receive the compensation that 1470  
the legislative authority prescribes. The clerk of courts of 1471  
Columbiana county, acting as the clerk of the Columbiana county 1472  
municipal court and assuming the duties of that office, shall 1473  
receive in either biweekly installments or semimonthly 1474  
installments, as determined by the payroll administrator, 1475  
compensation payable from the county treasury at one-fourth the 1476

rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas 1477  
as determined in accordance with the population of the county 1478  
and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the 1479  
Revised Code. 1480

(3) During the temporary absence of the clerk due to 1481  
illness, vacation, or other proper cause, the court may appoint 1482  
a temporary clerk, who shall be paid the same compensation, have 1483  
the same authority, and perform the same duties as the clerk. 1484

(B) Except in the Hamilton county, Montgomery county, 1485  
Miami county, Portage county, and Wayne county municipal courts, 1486  
if a vacancy occurs in the office of the clerk of the Alliance, 1487  
Lorain, Massillon, or Youngstown municipal court or occurs in 1488  
the office of the clerk of a municipal court for which the 1489  
population of the territory equals or exceeds one hundred 1490  
thousand because the clerk ceases to hold the office before the 1491  
end of the clerk's term or because a clerk-elect fails to take 1492  
office, the vacancy shall be filled, until a successor is 1493  
elected and qualified, by a person chosen by the residents of 1494  
the territory of the court who are members of the county central 1495  
committee of the political party by which the last occupant of 1496  
that office or the clerk-elect was nominated. Not less than five 1497  
nor more than fifteen days after a vacancy occurs, those members 1498  
of that county central committee shall meet to make an 1499  
appointment to fill the vacancy. At least four days before the 1500  
date of the meeting, the chairperson or a secretary of the 1501  
county central committee shall notify each such member of that 1502  
county central committee by first class mail of the date, time, 1503  
and place of the meeting and its purpose. A majority of all such 1504  
members of that county central committee constitutes a quorum, 1505  
and a majority of the quorum is required to make the 1506  
appointment. If the office so vacated was occupied or was to be 1507

occupied by a person not nominated at a primary election, or if 1508  
the appointment was not made by the committee members in 1509  
accordance with this division, the court shall make an 1510  
appointment to fill the vacancy. A successor shall be elected to 1511  
fill the office for the unexpired term at the first municipal 1512  
election that is held more than one hundred thirty-five days 1513  
after the vacancy occurred. 1514

(C) (1) In a municipal court, other than the Auglaize 1515  
county, the Brown county, the Columbiana county, the Holmes 1516  
county, the Perry county, the Putnam county, the Sandusky 1517  
county, and the Lorain municipal courts, for which the 1518  
population of the territory is less than one hundred thousand, 1519  
the clerk of the municipal court shall receive the annual 1520  
compensation that the presiding judge of the court prescribes, 1521  
if the revenue of the court for the preceding calendar year, as 1522  
certified by the auditor or chief fiscal officer of the 1523  
municipal corporation in which the court is located or, in the 1524  
case of a county-operated municipal court, the county auditor, 1525  
is equal to or greater than the expenditures, including any debt 1526  
charges, for the operation of the court payable under this 1527  
chapter from the city treasury or, in the case of a county- 1528  
operated municipal court, the county treasury for that calendar 1529  
year, as also certified by the auditor or chief fiscal officer. 1530  
If the revenue of a municipal court, other than the Auglaize 1531  
county, the Brown county, the Columbiana county, the Perry 1532  
county, the Putnam county, the Sandusky county, and the Lorain 1533  
municipal courts, for which the population of the territory is 1534  
less than one hundred thousand for the preceding calendar year 1535  
as so certified is not equal to or greater than those 1536  
expenditures for the operation of the court for that calendar 1537  
year as so certified, the clerk of a municipal court shall 1538

receive the annual compensation that the legislative authority 1539  
prescribes. As used in this division, "revenue" means the total 1540  
of all costs and fees that are collected and paid to the city 1541  
treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1542  
treasury by the clerk of the municipal court under division (F) 1543  
of this section and all interest received and paid to the city 1544  
treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1545  
treasury in relation to the costs and fees under division (G) of 1546  
this section. 1547

(2) In a municipal court, other than the Hamilton county, 1548  
Montgomery county, Miami county, Portage county, and Wayne 1549  
county municipal courts, for which the population of the 1550  
territory is one hundred thousand or more, and in the Lorain 1551  
municipal court, the clerk of the municipal court shall receive 1552  
annual compensation in a sum equal to eighty-five per cent of 1553  
the salary of a judge of the court. 1554

(3) The compensation of a clerk described in division (C) 1555  
(1) or (2) of this section and of the clerk of the Columbiana 1556  
county municipal court is payable in either semimonthly 1557  
installments or biweekly installments, as determined by the 1558  
payroll administrator, from the same sources and in the same 1559  
manner as provided in section 1901.11 of the Revised Code, 1560  
except that the compensation of the clerk of the Carroll county 1561  
municipal court is payable in biweekly installments. 1562

(D) Before entering upon the duties of the clerk's office, 1563  
the clerk of a municipal court shall give bond of not less than 1564  
six thousand dollars to be determined by the judges of the 1565  
court, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the clerk's 1566  
duties. 1567

(E) The clerk of a municipal court may do all of the 1568

following: administer oaths, take affidavits, and issue 1569  
executions upon any judgment rendered in the court, including a 1570  
judgment for unpaid costs; issue, sign, and attach the seal of 1571  
the court to all writs, process, subpoenas, and papers issuing 1572  
out of the court; and approve all bonds, sureties, 1573  
recognizances, and undertakings fixed by any judge of the court 1574  
or by law. The clerk may refuse to accept for filing any 1575  
pleading or paper submitted for filing by a person who has been 1576  
found to be a vexatious litigator under section 2323.52 of the 1577  
Revised Code and who has failed to obtain leave to proceed under 1578  
that section. The clerk shall do all of the following: file and 1579  
safely keep all journals, records, books, and papers belonging 1580  
or appertaining to the court; record the proceedings of the 1581  
court; perform all other duties that the judges of the court may 1582  
prescribe; and keep a book showing all receipts and 1583  
disbursements, which book shall be open for public inspection at 1584  
all times. 1585

The clerk shall prepare and maintain a general index, a 1586  
docket, and other records that the court, by rule, requires, all 1587  
of which shall be the public records of the court. In the 1588  
docket, the clerk shall enter, at the time of the commencement 1589  
of an action, the names of the parties in full, the names of the 1590  
counsel, and the nature of the proceedings. Under proper dates, 1591  
the clerk shall note the filing of the complaint, issuing of 1592  
summons or other process, returns, and any subsequent pleadings. 1593  
The clerk also shall enter all reports, verdicts, orders, 1594  
judgments, and proceedings of the court, clearly specifying the 1595  
relief granted or orders made in each action. The court may 1596  
order an extended record of any of the above to be made and 1597  
entered, under the proper action heading, upon the docket at the 1598  
request of any party to the case, the expense of which record 1599



may be taxed as costs in the case or may be required to be 1600  
prepaid by the party demanding the record, upon order of the 1601  
court. 1602

(F) The clerk of a municipal court shall receive, collect, 1603  
and issue receipts for all costs, fees, fines, bail, and other 1604  
moneys payable to the office or to any officer of the court. The 1605  
clerk shall on or before the twentieth day of the month 1606  
following the month in which they are collected disburse to the 1607  
proper persons or officers, and take receipts for, all costs, 1608  
fees, fines, bail, and other moneys that the clerk collects. 1609  
Subject to sections 307.515 and 4511.193 of the Revised Code and 1610  
to any other section of the Revised Code that requires a 1611  
specific manner of disbursement of any moneys received by a 1612  
municipal court and except for the Hamilton county, Lawrence 1613  
county, and Ottawa county municipal courts, the clerk shall pay 1614  
all fines received for violation of municipal ordinances into 1615  
the treasury of the municipal corporation the ordinance of which 1616  
was violated and shall pay all fines received for violation of 1617  
township resolutions adopted pursuant to section 503.52 or 1618  
503.53 or Chapter 504. of the Revised Code into the treasury of 1619  
the township the resolution of which was violated. Subject to 1620  
sections 1901.024 and 4511.193 of the Revised Code, in the 1621  
Hamilton county, Lawrence county, and Ottawa county municipal 1622  
courts, the clerk shall pay fifty per cent of the fines received 1623  
for violation of municipal ordinances and fifty per cent of the 1624  
fines received for violation of township resolutions adopted 1625  
pursuant to section 503.52 or 503.53 or Chapter 504. of the 1626  
Revised Code into the treasury of the county. Subject to 1627  
sections 307.515, 4511.19, and 5503.04 of the Revised Code and 1628  
to any other section of the Revised Code that requires a 1629  
specific manner of disbursement of any moneys received by a 1630

municipal court, the clerk shall pay all fines collected for the 1631  
violation of state laws into the county treasury. Except in a 1632  
county-operated municipal court, the clerk shall pay all costs 1633  
and fees the disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for 1634  
in the Revised Code into the city treasury. The clerk of a 1635  
county-operated municipal court shall pay the costs and fees the 1636  
disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for in the 1637  
Revised Code into the county treasury. Moneys deposited as 1638  
security for costs shall be retained pending the litigation. The 1639  
clerk shall keep a separate account of all receipts and 1640  
disbursements in civil and criminal cases, which shall be a 1641  
permanent public record of the office. On the expiration of the 1642  
term of the clerk, the clerk shall deliver the records to the 1643  
clerk's successor. The clerk shall have other powers and duties 1644  
as are prescribed by rule or order of the court. 1645

(G) All moneys paid into a municipal court shall be noted 1646  
on the record of the case in which they are paid and shall be 1647  
deposited in a state or national bank, or a domestic savings and 1648  
loan association, as defined in section 1151.01 of the Revised 1649  
Code, that is selected by the clerk. Any interest received upon 1650  
the deposits shall be paid into the city treasury, except that, 1651  
in a county-operated municipal court, the interest shall be paid 1652  
into the treasury of the county in which the court is located. 1653

On the first Monday in January of each year, the clerk 1654  
shall make a list of the titles of all cases in the court that 1655  
were finally determined more than one year past in which there 1656  
remains unclaimed in the possession of the clerk any funds, or 1657  
any part of a deposit for security of costs not consumed by the 1658  
costs in the case. The clerk shall give notice of the moneys to 1659  
the parties who are entitled to the moneys or to their attorneys 1660  
of record. All the moneys remaining unclaimed on the first day 1661

of April of each year shall be paid by the clerk to the city treasurer, except that, in a county-operated municipal court, the moneys shall be paid to the treasurer of the county in which the court is located. The treasurer shall pay any part of the moneys at any time to the person who has the right to the moneys upon proper certification of the clerk.

(H) Deputy clerks of a municipal court other than the Carroll county municipal court may be appointed by the clerk and shall receive the compensation, payable in either biweekly installments or semimonthly installments, as determined by the payroll administrator, out of the city treasury, that the clerk may prescribe, except that the compensation of any deputy clerk of a county-operated municipal court shall be paid out of the treasury of the county in which the court is located. The judge of the Carroll county municipal court may appoint deputy clerks for the court, and the deputy clerks shall receive the compensation, payable in biweekly installments out of the county treasury, that 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. 1693

(J) The clerk or a deputy clerk shall be in attendance at 1694  
all sessions of the municipal court, although not necessarily in 1695  
the courtroom, and may administer oaths to witnesses and jurors 1696  
and receive verdicts. 1697

**Sec. 1901.312.** (A) As used in this section, "health care 1698  
coverage" has the same meaning as in section 1901.111 of the 1699  
Revised Code. 1700

(B) The legislative authority, after consultation with the 1701  
clerk and deputy clerks of the municipal court, shall negotiate 1702  
and contract for, purchase, or otherwise procure group health 1703  
care coverage for the clerk and deputy clerks and their spouses 1704  
and dependents from insurance companies authorized to engage in 1705  
the business of insurance in this state under Title XXXIX of the 1706  
Revised Code or health insuring corporations holding 1707  
certificates of authority under Chapter 1751. of the Revised 1708  
Code, except that if the county or municipal corporation served 1709  
by the legislative authority provides group health care coverage 1710  
for its employees, the group health care coverage required by 1711  
this section shall be provided, if possible, through the policy 1712  
or plan under which the group health care coverage is provided 1713  
for the county or municipal corporation employees. 1714

(C) The portion of the costs, premiums, or charges for the 1715  
group health care coverage procured pursuant to division (B) of 1716  
this section that is not paid by the clerk and deputy clerks of 1717  
the municipal court, or all of the costs, premiums, or charges 1718  
for the group health care coverage if the clerk and deputy 1719  
clerks will not be paying any such portion, shall be paid as 1720  
follows: 1721

(1) If the municipal court is a county-operated municipal court, the portion of the costs, premiums, or charges or all of the costs, premiums, or charges shall be paid out of the treasury of the county.

(2) (a) If the municipal court is not a county-operated municipal court, the portion of the costs, premiums, or charges in connection with the clerk or all of the costs, premiums, or charges in connection with the clerk shall be paid in three-fifths and two-fifths shares from the city treasury and appropriate county treasuries as described in division (C) of section 1901.31 of the Revised Code. The three-fifths share of a city treasury is subject to apportionment under section 1901.026 of the Revised Code.

(b) If the municipal court is not a county-operated municipal court, the portion of the costs, premiums, or charges in connection with the deputy clerks or all of the costs, premiums, or charges in connection with the deputy clerks shall be paid from the city treasury and shall be subject to apportionment under section 1901.026 of the Revised Code.

(D) This section does not apply to the clerk of the Auglaize county, Hamilton county, Perry county, Portage county, Putnam county, or Wayne county municipal court, if health care coverage is provided to the clerk by virtue of the clerk's employment as the clerk of the court of common pleas of Auglaize county, Hamilton county, Perry county, Portage county, Putnam county, or Wayne county.

**Sec. 1901.34.** (A) Except as provided in divisions (B) and (D) of this section, the village solicitor, city director of law, or similar chief legal officer for each municipal corporation within the territory of a municipal court shall

prosecute all cases brought before the municipal court for 1752  
criminal offenses occurring within the municipal corporation for 1753  
which that person is the solicitor, director of law, or similar 1754  
chief legal officer. Except as provided in division (B) of this 1755  
section, the village solicitor, city director of law, or similar 1756  
chief legal officer of the municipal corporation in which a 1757  
municipal court is located shall prosecute all criminal cases 1758  
brought before the court arising in the unincorporated areas 1759  
within the territory of the municipal court. 1760

(B) The Auglaize county, Brown county, Clermont county, 1761  
Hocking county, Holmes county, Jackson county, Morrow county, 1762  
Ottawa county, Perry county, Portage county, and Putnam county 1763  
prosecuting attorneys shall prosecute in municipal court all 1764  
violations of state law arising in their respective counties. 1765  
The Carroll county, Crawford county, Hamilton county, Madison 1766  
county, and Wayne county prosecuting attorneys and beginning 1767  
January 1, 2008, the Erie county prosecuting attorney shall 1768  
prosecute all violations of state law arising within the 1769  
unincorporated areas of their respective counties. The 1770  
Columbiana county prosecuting attorney shall prosecute in the 1771  
Columbiana county municipal court all violations of state law 1772  
arising in the county, except for violations arising in the 1773  
municipal corporation of East Liverpool, Liverpool township, or 1774  
St. Clair township. The Darke county prosecuting attorney shall 1775  
prosecute in the Darke county municipal court all violations of 1776  
state law arising in the county, except for violations of state 1777  
law arising in the municipal corporation of Greenville and 1778  
violations of state law arising in the village of Versailles. 1779  
The Greene county board of county commissioners may provide for 1780  
the prosecution of all violations of state law arising within 1781  
the territorial jurisdiction of any municipal court located in 1782

Greene county. The Montgomery county prosecuting attorney shall 1783  
prosecute in the Montgomery county municipal court all felony, 1784  
misdemeanor, and traffic violations arising in the 1785  
unincorporated townships of Jefferson, Jackson, Perry, and Clay 1786  
and all felony violations of state law and all violations 1787  
involving a state or county agency arising within the 1788  
jurisdiction of the court. All other violations arising in the 1789  
territory of the Montgomery county municipal court shall be 1790  
prosecuted by the village solicitor, city director of law, or 1791  
similar chief legal officer for each municipal corporation 1792  
within the territory of the Montgomery county municipal court. 1793

The prosecuting attorney of any county given the duty of 1794  
prosecuting in municipal court violations of state law shall 1795  
receive no additional compensation for assuming these additional 1796  
duties, except that the prosecuting attorney of Hamilton, 1797  
Portage, and Wayne counties shall receive compensation at the 1798  
rate of four thousand eight hundred dollars per year, and the 1799  
prosecuting attorney of Auglaize county shall receive 1800  
compensation at the rate of one thousand eight hundred dollars 1801  
per year, each payable from the county treasury of the 1802  
respective counties in semimonthly installments. 1803

(C) The village solicitor, city director of law, or 1804  
similar chief legal officer shall perform the same duties, 1805  
insofar as they are applicable to the village solicitor, city 1806  
director of law, or similar chief legal officer, as are required 1807  
of the prosecuting attorney of the county. The village 1808  
solicitor, city director of law, similar chief legal officer or 1809  
any assistants who may be appointed shall receive for such 1810  
services additional compensation to be paid from the treasury of 1811  
the county as the board of county commissioners prescribes. 1812

(D) The prosecuting attorney of any county, other than 1813  
Auglaize, Brown, Clermont, Hocking, Holmes, Jackson, Morrow, 1814  
Ottawa, Perry, Portage, or Putnam county, may enter into an 1815  
agreement with any municipal corporation in the county in which 1816  
the prosecuting attorney serves pursuant to which the 1817  
prosecuting attorney prosecutes all criminal cases brought 1818  
before the municipal court that has territorial jurisdiction 1819  
over that municipal corporation for criminal offenses occurring 1820  
within the municipal corporation. The prosecuting attorney of 1821  
Auglaize, Brown, Clermont, Hocking, Holmes, Jackson, Morrow, 1822  
Ottawa, Perry, Portage, or Putnam county may enter into an 1823  
agreement with any municipal corporation in the county in which 1824  
the prosecuting attorney serves pursuant to which the respective 1825  
prosecuting attorney prosecutes all cases brought before the 1826  
Auglaize county, Brown county, Clermont county, Hocking county, 1827  
Holmes county, Jackson county, Morrow county, Ottawa county, 1828  
Perry county, Portage county, or Putnam county municipal court 1829  
for violations of the ordinances of the municipal corporation or 1830  
for criminal offenses other than violations of state law 1831  
occurring within the municipal corporation. For prosecuting 1832  
these cases, the prosecuting attorney and the municipal 1833  
corporation may agree upon a fee to be paid by the municipal 1834  
corporation, which fee shall be paid into the county treasury, 1835  
to be used to cover expenses of the office of the prosecuting 1836  
attorney. 1837

**Sec. 1907.11.** (A) Each county court district shall have 1838  
the following county court judges, to be elected as follows: 1839

In the Adams county county court, one part-time judge 1840  
shall be elected in 1982. 1841

In the Ashtabula county county court, one part-time judge 1842



shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be 1843  
elected in 1982. 1844

In the Belmont county county court, one part-time judge 1845  
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, 1846  
and two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1847  
commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1848

In the Butler county county court, one part-time judge 1849  
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, 1850  
and two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1851  
commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1852

Until December 31, 2007, in the Erie county county court, 1853  
one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982. Effective January 1854  
1, 2008, the Erie county county court shall cease to exist. 1855

In the Fulton county county court, one part-time judge 1856  
shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be 1857  
elected in 1982. 1858

In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge 1859  
shall be elected in 1982. 1860

In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge 1861  
shall be elected in 1982. 1862

In the Jefferson county county court, one part-time judge 1863  
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, 1864  
and two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1865  
commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1866

In the Mahoning county county court, one part-time judge 1867  
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, 1868  
and three part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1869  
commence on January 1, 1995, January 2, 1995, and January 3, 1870

1995, respectively.	1871
In the Meigs county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1872 1873
In the Monroe county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1874 1875
In the Morgan county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1876 1877
In the Muskingum county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1878 1879 1880
In the Noble county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1881 1882
In the Paulding county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1883 1884
<del>    In the Perry county county court, one part time judge shall be elected in 1982.</del>	1885 1886
In the Pike county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982.	1887 1888
Until December 31, 2006, in the Sandusky county county court, two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. The judges elected in 2006 shall serve until December 31, 2012. The Sandusky county county court shall cease to exist on January 1, 2013.	1889 1890 1891 1892 1893 1894
In the Trumbull county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1992, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1994.	1895 1896 1897

In the Tuscarawas county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982. 1898  
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In the Vinton county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982. 1900  
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In the Warren county county court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1982. 1902  
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(B) (1) Additional judges shall be elected at the next regular election for a county court judge as provided in section 1907.13 of the Revised Code. 1905  
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(2) Vacancies caused by the death or the resignation from, forfeiture of, or removal from office of a judge shall be filled in accordance with section 107.08 of the Revised Code, except as provided in section 1907.15 of the Revised Code. 1908  
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**Section 2.** That existing sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, 1901.312, 1901.34, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 1912  
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**Section 3.** That section 729.10 of Am. Sub. H.B. 483 of the 130th General Assembly, as most recently amended by Sub. H.B. 471 of the 131st General Assembly, be amended to read as follows: 1915  
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**Sec. 729.10.** (A) (1) There is hereby created the Criminal Justice Recodification Committee, consisting of twenty-four members. Three members shall be members of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate. Two of those members shall be members of the majority party in the Senate and one shall be a member of the minority party in the Senate. Three members shall be members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Two of those members 1919  
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shall be members of the majority party in the House of 1927  
Representatives and one shall be a member of the minority party 1928  
in the House of Representatives. One member shall be a current 1929  
or former Justice of the Supreme Court, appointed by the Chief 1930  
Justice of the Supreme Court. One member shall be the Director 1931  
of Rehabilitation and Correction or the Director's individual 1932  
designee. One member shall be the Director of Youth Services or 1933  
the Director's individual designee. Three members, not more than 1934  
two of whom shall be members of the same political party, shall 1935  
be judges jointly appointed by the President of the Senate and 1936  
the Speaker of the House of Representatives after consulting 1937  
with the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, with each judge 1938  
being a judge of a court of appeals, judge of a court of common 1939  
pleas, judge of a municipal court, or judge of a county court. 1940  
The following twelve members, not more than seven of whom shall 1941  
be members of the same political party, shall be jointly 1942  
appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the 1943  
House of Representatives after consulting with the appropriate 1944  
state associations, if any, that are represented by these 1945  
members: one current or former sheriff; one peace officer of a 1946  
municipal corporation or township; three prosecutors, each of 1947  
whom is a county prosecuting attorney or a full-time city 1948  
prosecuting attorney; three attorneys whose practice of law 1949  
primarily involves the representation of criminal defendants; 1950  
one member of the Ohio State Bar Association; one representative 1951  
of community corrections programs; one representative of 1952  
community addiction services providers or community mental 1953  
health services providers; and one representative of a juvenile 1954  
justice organization. 1955

All appointed members of the Committee shall be appointed 1956  
by the specified appointing authority not later than thirty days 1957

after July 1, 2015. All members of the Committee who are elected 1958  
officials ~~and whose term of office expires prior to January 1,~~ 1959  
~~2017,~~ shall serve until the ~~expiration of their term of~~ 1960  
~~office~~ committee ceases to exist under division (C) of Section 1961  
729.11 of Am. Sub. H.B. 483 of the 130th General Assembly. Any 1962  
vacancy on the Committee shall be filled in the same manner as 1963  
the original appointment. 1964

When the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the 1965  
House of Representatives make their appointments to the 1966  
Committee, they shall consider adequate representation by race 1967  
and gender. 1968

(2) As used in division (A) (1) of this section: 1969

(a) "Community addiction services provider" and "community 1970  
mental health services provider" have the same meanings as in 1971  
section 5119.01 of the Revised Code. 1972

(b) "Community corrections programs" has the same meaning 1973  
as in section 5149.30 of the Revised Code. 1974

(B) The Committee initially shall meet not later than 1975  
sixty days after July 1, 2015. At its initial meeting, the 1976  
Committee shall organize, select a Chairperson and Vice- 1977  
chairperson and any other necessary officers, and adopt rules to 1978  
govern its proceedings. The Committee shall meet as necessary at 1979  
the call of the Chairperson or on the written request of eight 1980  
or more of its members. Thirteen members of the Committee 1981  
constitute a quorum, and the votes of a majority of the quorum 1982  
present shall be required to validate any action of the 1983  
Committee. All business of the Committee shall be conducted in 1984  
public meetings. 1985

The members of the Committee shall serve without 1986

compensation, but each member shall be reimbursed for the 1987  
member's actual and necessary expenses incurred in the 1988  
performance of the member's official duties on the Committee. In 1989  
the absence of the Chairperson, the Vice-chairperson shall 1990  
perform the duties of the Chairperson. 1991

(C) The Committee has the same powers as other standing or 1992  
select committees of the General Assembly. The Committee may 1993  
consult with, and seek and obtain research and technical 1994  
services and support from, any individual, organization, 1995  
association, college, or university. All state and local 1996  
government agencies and entities shall cooperate with the 1997  
Committee in the performance of its duties under this section 1998  
and Section 729.11 of Am. Sub. H.B. 483 of the 130th General 1999  
Assembly. 2000

**Section 4.** That existing Section 729.10 of Am. Sub. H.B. 2001  
483 of the 130th General Assembly, as most recently amended by 2002  
Sub. H.B. 471 of the 131st General Assembly, is hereby repealed. 2003

**Section 5.** (A) Effective January 1, 2018, the Perry County 2004  
County Court is abolished. 2005

(B) All causes, judgments, executions, and other 2006  
proceedings pending in the Perry County County Court at the 2007  
close of business on December 31, 2017, shall be transferred to 2008  
and proceed in the Perry County Municipal Court on January 1, 2009  
2018, as if originally instituted in the Perry County Municipal 2010  
Court. Parties to those causes, judgments, executions, and 2011  
proceedings may make any amendments to their pleadings that are 2012  
required to conform them to the rules of the Perry County 2013  
Municipal Court. The Clerk of the Perry County County Court or 2014  
other custodian shall transfer to the Perry County Municipal 2015  
Court all pleadings, orders, entries, dockets, bonds, papers, 2016

records, books, exhibits, files, moneys, property, and persons 2017  
that belong to, are in the possession of, or are subject to the 2018  
jurisdiction of the Perry County County Court, or any officer of 2019  
that court, that pertain to those causes, judgments, executions, 2020  
and proceedings at the close of business on December 31, 2017. 2021

(C) All employees of the Perry County County Court shall 2022  
be transferred to and shall become employees of the Perry County 2023  
Municipal Court on January 1, 2018. 2024

(D) Effective January 1, 2018, the part-time judgeship in 2025  
the Perry County County Court is abolished. 2026

**Section 6.** Sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.31, 2027  
1901.312, 1901.34, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code, as amended 2028  
by this act, shall take effect January 1, 2018. 2029

**Section 7.** Section 1901.34 of the Revised Code is 2030  
presented in this act as a composite of the section as amended 2031  
by both Am. Sub. H.B. 238 and Sub. H.B. 338 of the 128th General 2032  
Assembly. The General Assembly, applying the principle stated in 2033  
division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments 2034  
are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous 2035  
operation, finds that the composite is the resulting version of 2036  
the section in effect prior to the effective date of the section 2037  
as presented in this act. 2038

**Section 8.** This act is hereby declared to be an emergency 2039  
measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 2040  
peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is to 2041  
provide continuity in the membership of the Criminal Justice 2042  
Recodification Committee so that they may continue to complete 2043  
the important work to which they are charged. Therefore, this 2044  
act shall go into immediate effect. 2045