

State of Arkansas

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SENATE BILL 353

By: Senator Jewell

"AN ACT TO REQUIRE CITIES HAVING A POPULATION OF 100,000
OR MORE TO DIVIDE INTO WARDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING
DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. (a) All cities having a population of one hundred thousand (100,000) or more shall be divided into wards for the purpose of electing directors. The boundaries of the wards shall be established by an ordinance of the governing body of the city. The wards shall be of substantially equal population.

(b) Directors, elected by ward, shall live in the ward in which they are candidates.

(c) A candidate from a ward shall be voted on by qualified voters living in that ward only.

SECTION 2. In cities having a population of one hundred thousand (100,000) or more the terms of persons serving as directors on the effective date of this Act shall be reduced so that all directors shall be subject to election at the next regular election for municipal officers. The terms of the directors elected at the next regular election shall be staggered as otherwise provided by law.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

