Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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HOUSE BILL 1554

By: Representatives Milum, Weaver, Hickinbotham, Eason, Boyd, Dangeau, J. Taylor, Seawel

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 26-27-304 REGARDING THE MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY EQUALIZATI ON BOARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 26-27-304
REGARDING THE MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY
EQUALIZATION BOARDS.

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BE IT ENACTED by THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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    SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 26-27-304 is amended to read as follows:
    26-27-304. Selection of members.
    (a) (1) Where the county equalization board consists of five (5)
    members:
(A) One (1) member shall be selected by the
representatives of the several school districts in the county;
(B) One (1) member shall be selected by the members of the
city and town councils representatives of all cities and incorporated towns
in the county;
(C) One (1) member shall be appointed by the county judge; and
(D) Two (2) members shall be appointed by a majority vote of the county quor um court in the following manner:
(i) The quorum court shall appoint a licensed real
estate appraiser to at least one (1) of these two (2) positions, but if a
licensed real estate appraiser is not available or willing to serve, the
quor um court may appoint a licensed real estate broker;
(ii) If a licensed real estate broker is not available or willing to serve, the quorum court may appoint a licensed real estate salesperson; and
(iii) If a licensed real estate salesperson is not available or willing to serve, the quorum court may appoint any qualified elector of the county.
(E) The five (5) members shall be selected from different sections of the county.
(2) Where the board consists of nine (9) members:
(A) Two (2) members shall be selected by the
representatives of the several school districts in the county;
(B) Two (2) members shall be selected by the members of the city and town councils representatives of all cities and incorporated towns in the county;
(C) Two (2) members shall be appointed by the county judge; and
(D) Three (3) members shall be appointed by a majority vote of the county quor um court in the following manner:
(i) The quorum court shall appoint a licensed real estate appraiser to at least one (1) of these three (3) positions, but if a licensed real estate appraiser is not available or willing to serve, the quor um court may appoint a licensed real estate broker;
(ii) If a licensed real estate broker is not available or willing to serve, the quorum court may appoint a licensed real estate salesperson; and
(iii) If a licensed real estate salesperson is not available or willing to serve, the quorum court may appoint any qualified elector of the county.
(E) The selecting or appointing agency in each instance shall select or appoint the members from different sections of the county.
(b) (1) (A) (i) For the purpose of making the selection of their members of the county equal ization board as provided in this section, the school board members district's superintendent or designee of each school district in each county shall serve as the representative of their respective school district select one (1) representative and one (1) alternate representative

## for each school district.

(ii) The representatives of the several school
districts of each county shall hold a meeting during the month of May of each year in which the term of any of their members of the board shall expire.
(B) The county judge shall serve as chairman of the
meeting and shall issue the call therefor which shall specify the time, date, and place of the meeting.
(C)(i) The selection of members of the board shall be by majority vote of the school board representatives present and no action shall be taken unless there is a quorum present.
(ii) A majority of all of the school board
representatives in the county shall constitute a quorum.
(2) (A) For the purpose of making the selection of their members of the board, the representatives of the city and town councils of the cities and incorporated town in the county shall hold a meting during the month of May of each year in which the term of any of their members of the board shall expire. The mayor of the city or town shall serve as the representative of his or her city or town.
(B) The mayor of the county seat city or town or, if there are two (2) county seats, the may of the larger county seat city or town shall serve as chairman of the meeting and shall is sue the call which shall specify the time, date, and place of the meeting.
(C)(i) The selection of members of the board shall be by majority vote of the representatives of the city and town councils cities and towns present, and no action shall be taken unless there is a quor um present.
(ii) A majority of all of the representatives of the city and town councils of all cities and incorporated towns in the county shall constitute a quorum.
(iii) Each of the cities and incorporated towns within the county shall be entitled to one (1) vote.

## (iv)(a) The representative of each city or town

 shall be designated by resolution of the governing body of the city or town.(b) Each city or incorporated town shall select one (1) representative and may designate alternate representatives, as may be required.
(3) The county judge and the quorum court of each county shall make the appoint ment of their members of the board during the month of May of

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