



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 419

HOUSE BILL NO. 1178

By Representatives Crawford, Alexander, Freeman, Smith, Hurt

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 800

By Senators Briggs, Haile, Jackson, Pody

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, relative to convenient voting centers.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-3-301, is amended by adding the following sentence to the end of subsection (c):

The coordinator of elections shall not approve convenient voting centers for any county election commission that has not used at least one (1) early satellite voting location throughout an early voting period in the most recent regular November election.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-3-302(a), is amended by deleting the language "for local elections conducted in 2019, and for federal, state, and local elections held in 2020" and substituting instead the language "for federal, state, and local elections held in 2022".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-3-302(f), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(f) This part applies only in counties having a population of not less than thirty-five thousand twenty (35,020) nor more than thirty-five thousand thirty (35,030), in counties having a population of not less than one hundred fifty-six thousand eight hundred twenty (156,820) nor more than one hundred fifty-six thousand eight hundred thirty (156,830), and in counties having a population of not less than one hundred sixty thousand six hundred forty (160,640) nor more than one hundred sixty thousand six hundred fifty (160,650), according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-3-308(a), is amended by deleting the language:

Any county in 2018 that conducted a pilot project under § 2-3-301 establishing convenient voting centers in the county and for which the coordinator of elections filed a favorable report under § 2-3-307 may create a program that establishes convenient voting centers in the county for federal, state, and local elections under the following conditions:

and substituting instead the language:

Notwithstanding § 2-3-302(f), any county, during or prior to 2020, which conducted a pilot project under § 2-3-301 establishing convenient voting centers in the county and for which the coordinator of elections filed a favorable report under § 2-3-307 may create a program that establishes convenient voting centers in the county for federal, state, and local elections under the following conditions:

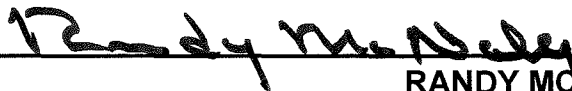
SECTION 5. For purposes of carrying out any administrative duties necessary to effectuate the provisions and intent of this act, this act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act takes effect January 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 26, 2021



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MONALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 12th day of May 2021



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR