

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1993**  
4 **By: Senator Jewell**

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE CITIES HAVING A POPULATION OF ONE  
9 HUNDRED THOUSAND (100,000) OR MORE TO DIVIDE INTO WARDS  
10 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER  
11 PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

14 "REQUIRE CITIES HAVING A POPULATION OF 100,000 OR MORE TO  
15 DIVIDE INTO WARDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING DIRECTORS."

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

19 SECTION 1. (a) All cities having a population of one hundred thousand  
20 (100,000) or more shall be divided into wards for the purpose of electing  
21 directors. The boundaries of the wards shall be established by an ordinance  
22 of the governing body of the city. The wards shall be of substantially equal  
23 population.

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

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

29 SECTION 2. In cities having a population of one hundred thousand  
30 (100,000) or more the terms of persons serving as directors on the effective  
31 date of this act shall be reduced so that all directors shall be subject to  
32 election at the next regular election for municipal officers. The terms of  
33 the directors elected at the next regular election shall be staggered as  
34 otherwise provided by law.

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1           SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
2 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
3 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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5           SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
6 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
7 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
8 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
9 act are declared to be severable.

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11           SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
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