

TIONS 1, 3, 4, and 5 of this act, SECTIONS 1, 3, 4, and 5 of this act shall be in full force and effect from and after passage of the act. The provisions of SECTION 2 of this act shall take effect on July 1, 1975.

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

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PUBLIC LAW No. 60

[H. 1238. Approved February 13, 1974.]

AN ACT to repeal IC 1971, 16-13-13; IC 1971, 16-13-14; IC 1971, 16-13-15; IC 1971, 16-13-16; all concerning sterilization of certain mentally ill persons.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. The following laws and parts of laws and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.

IC 1971, 16-13-13;

IC 1971, 16-13-14;

IC 1971, 16-13-15;

IC 1971, 16-13-16.

PUBLIC LAW No. 61

[S. 105. Approved February 18, 1974.]

AN ACT to amend IC 1971, 17-1-14 concerning commissioner districts and county commissioners in certain counties.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. IC 1971, 17-1-14-2 is amended to read as follows: Sec. 2. (a) Each county shall be divided into three (3) districts, and numbered one, two and three, not subject to alteration oftener than every three (3) years; but the districts now formed shall so remain until altered pursuant to the provisions herein contained: but such counties as are not divided into such districts, shall be so laid off by the board of commissioners, at their first session after the publication of this act ~~act~~ chapter; and one (1) commissioner shall be elected from the residents of each of such districts, by the voters of the whole county; and in any county where there are no commissioners, the auditor thereof shall divide the same into such districts.

(b) In counties with a population of not less than fifty-four thousand (54,000) and not more than fifty-five thousand (55,000) according to the most recent federal decennial census, each commissioner shall be elected by the voters of the county.

Each such county shall be divided by the board of county commissioners into three (3) districts based on the most recent federal decennial census. Subsequent redistricting shall be performed by the county commissioners within six (6) months after each federal decennial census.

Such commissioner districts shall have the following characteristics:

- (1) As equal as practicable in population.
- (2) Be compact in configuration, subject only to natural boundary lines such as railroads, interstate highways, other major highways, rivers, creeks, parks and major industrial complexes.