

1973 Assembly Bill 1560

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AN ACT to amend 66.23 (1); and to create 66.23 (11) of the statutes, relating to appointment of sewerage district commissioners by cities, towns and villages.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. 66.23 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.23 (1) A district formed under ss. 66.20 to 66.26 shall be governed by a 5-member commission appointed for staggered 5-year terms. ~~Commissioners~~ Except as provided in sub. (11), commissioners shall be appointed by the county board of the county in which the district is located. If the district contains territory of more than one county, the county boards of the counties not having the greatest population in the district shall appoint one commissioner each and the county board of the county having the greatest population in the district shall appoint the remainder. Of the initial appointments, the appointments for the shortest terms shall be made by the counties having the least amount of population, in reverse order of their population included in the district. Commissioners shall be residents of the district. Initial appointments shall be made no sooner than 60 days and no later than 90 days after issuance of the department order forming a district or after completion of any court proceedings challenging such order. A per diem compensation not to exceed \$30 may be paid to commissioners. Commissioners may be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred as commissioners in carrying out the work of the commission.

SECTION 2. 66.23 (11) of the statutes is created to read:

66.23 (11) (a) Notwithstanding sub. (1) the governing bodies of cities, towns and villages comprising a sewerage district may make the initial appointments of the commissioners under this section. Thereafter, the county boards shall appoint the commissioners under sub. (1).

(b) This subsection shall apply only if all the governing bodies of the cities, villages and towns comprising the sewerage district agree by resolution to elect its provisions.

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SECTION 3. This act shall apply only to metropolitan sewerage districts created after January 1, 1974.

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