

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2007**

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**HOUSE DRH20047-LB-177A (2/27)**

Short Title: Currituck Commissioner Districts.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Representative Owens.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW CURRITUCK COUNTY TO REDEFINE ITS RESIDENCY  
DISTRICTS IN 2007 AFTER PUBLIC INPUT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.(a)** As used in this act, 'Residency district' means a district in which the candidates reside and represent the district, but the candidates are voted on in the primaries and general elections by the qualified voters of the entire county. It includes districts established either by local act or under G.S. 153A-58(3)d.

**SECTION 1.(b)** The board of commissioners may by resolution redefine the residency districts.

**SECTION 1.(c)** No change in the boundaries of a residency district may affect the unexpired term of office of a commissioner residing in the district and serving on the board on the effective date of the resolution.

**SECTION 1.(d)** Before any resolution may be adopted pursuant to this section, the board of commissioners shall hold at least two public hearings on it. The two hearings shall be held at separate locations in different parts of the county, and shall be held at least a week apart. A notice of the public hearings shall be given once a week for three successive weeks in a newspaper having general circulation in the county. The notice shall be published for the first time not less than 20 days nor more than 30 days before the date fixed for the first hearing. The proposed resolution shall also be published on the Internet Web site of the county at least 20 days prior to the hearing. The resolution may not be adopted less than 30 days after the date of the second hearing. Any resolution under this section is only valid if adopted prior to October 1, 2007.

**SECTION 1.(e)** Not later than 10 days after the day on which a resolution becomes effective, the clerk shall file in the Secretary of State's office, in the office of

- 1 the register of deeds of the county, and with the chairman of the county board of  
2 elections, a certified copy of the resolution.
- 3           **SECTION 2.** This act applies to Currituck County only.
- 4           **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.