

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 24.2-307 of the Code of Virginia, relating to county and city precincts;*
3 *required to be wholly contained within election districts; waiver for administration of a split*
4 *precinct.*

5 [S 740]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That § 24.2-307 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**9 **§ 24.2-307. Requirements for county and city precincts.**

10 The governing body of each county and city shall establish by ordinance as many precincts as it
11 deems necessary. Each governing body is authorized to increase or decrease the number of precincts and
12 alter precinct boundaries subject to the requirements of this chapter.

13 At the time any precinct is established, it shall have no more than 5,000 registered voters. The
14 general registrar shall notify the governing body whenever the number of voters who voted in a precinct
15 in an election for President of the United States exceeds 4,000. Within six months of receiving the
16 notice, the governing body shall proceed to revise the precinct boundaries, and any newly established or
17 redrawn precinct shall have no more than 5,000 registered voters.

18 At the time any precinct is established, each precinct in a county shall have no fewer than 100
19 registered voters and each precinct in a city shall have no fewer than 500 registered voters.

20 Each precinct shall be wholly contained within ~~any~~ a single congressional district, Senate district,
21 House of Delegates district, and election district used for the election of one or more members of the
22 governing body or school board for the county or city. By July 1 of each year ending in one, the
23 governing body of each county and city shall establish the precinct boundaries to be consistent with any
24 congressional district, Senate district, House of Delegates district, and local election district that was
25 adopted by the appropriate authority by June 15 of that year. If a governing body is unable to establish
26 a precinct with the minimum number of registered voters without splitting the precinct between two or
27 more congressional districts, Senate districts, House of Delegates districts, or local election districts, it
28 shall apply to the State Board for a waiver to administer a split precinct. The State Board may grant
29 the waiver or direct the governing body to establish a precinct with fewer than the minimum number of
30 registered voters as permitted by § 24.2-309. A governing body granted a waiver to administer a split
31 precinct or directed to establish a precinct with fewer than the minimum number of registered voters
32 may use such a precinct for any election held that year.

33 The governing body shall establish by ordinance one polling place for each precinct.

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