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AN ACT

To repeal sections 162.581 and 162.601, RSMo 1994, relating to public schools, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to the same subject.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 162.581 and 162.601, RSMo 1994, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 162.581 and 162.601, to read as follows:

162.581. 1. **(1)** [The] **Nine** members of the board of education shall be elected from the city at large on a general ticket, and shall be at least twenty-four years of age, citizens and residents of the city, and shall have been residents and citizens for at least three years immediately preceding their election. They shall not hold any office, except that of notary public, in the city or state, nor be interested in any contract with or claim against the board, either directly or indirectly. If at any time after the election of any member of the board he becomes interested in any contract with or claim against the board, either directly or indirectly, or as agent or employee of any individual, firm or corporation, which is so interested, he shall thereupon be disqualified to continue as a member of the board, and shall continue to be so disqualified during the remainder of the term for which he was elected.

(2) Beginning with the first municipal election in an odd-numbered year next following the effective date of this section, the three ex-officio board members shall be the president of Saint Louis University or his designee, the president of Harris-Stowe College or his designee and the president of the University of Missouri at St. Louis or his designee.

2. Every member of the board, before assuming the duties of his office, shall take oath

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

before a circuit or associate circuit judge of the city, which oath shall be kept of record in the office of the board, that he possesses all the qualifications required by this section, and that he will not, while serving as a member of the board, become interested in any contract with or claim against the board, directly or indirectly, or as agent or employee of any individual, firm or corporation which is so interested, and that he will not be influenced, during his term of office, by any consideration except that of merit and fitness in the appointment of officers and the engagement of employees.

3. No compensation shall be paid to the members of the board, but they are exempt from service as election officers during the term of office.

162.601. **1. Elected members of the board in office on the effective date of this section shall hold office for the length of term for which they were elected.**

2. One board member shall be elected at the first municipal election in an odd-numbered year next following the effective date of this section to serve a term of six years.

3. Four board members shall be elected at the second municipal election in an odd-numbered year next following the effective date of this section, and two of such members shall be elected to five year terms and two shall be elected to four year terms.

4. Four board members shall be elected at the third municipal election in an odd-numbered year next following the effective date of this section, and three of such members shall be elected to four year terms and one shall be elected to a three year term.

5. Beginning with the fourth municipal election in an odd-numbered year next following the effective date of this section, and at each succeeding municipal election in a year during which board member terms expire, there shall be elected [at each municipal election in odd-numbered years four] three members of the board of education, who shall assume the duties of their office at the first regular meeting of the board of education after their election, and who shall hold office for [six] four years, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

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