

Floor Amendment to HB 75

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT relative to the election of Strafford county commissioners.
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5 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:
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7 1 Strafford County; Elected for 2-Year Term; County Commissioner Districts. Amend RSA
8 653:1, VI(c) to read as follows:

9 (c) Strafford county-~~[3 county commissioners by all the voters of the county]~~ **one county**
10 **commissioner by the voters in each county commissioner district;**

11 2 Strafford County; County Commissioner Districts. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA
12 662:4 to read as follows:

13 662:4 County Commissioner Districts. ~~[Except for Strafford county where 3 county~~
14 ~~commissioners shall be elected at large,]~~ For the purposes of choosing county commissioners, the
15 counties shall be divided into districts as follows:

16 3 Strafford County; County Commissioner Districts. Amend RSA 662:4, IX to read as follows:

17 IX. ***Strafford: District 1, the towns of Farmington, Middleton, Milton, New Durham,***
18 ***wards 1, 5, and 6, of the city of Rochester, and wards 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the city of***
19 ***Somersworth; District 2, wards 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the city of Dover, and the towns of Durham,***
20 ***Lee, and Rollinsford; District 3, Barrington, wards 5 and 6 of the city of Dover, Madbury,***
21 ***wards 2, 3, and 4 of the city of Rochester, and the town of Strafford.***

22 X. Sullivan: District 1, the town of Cornish and the city of Claremont; District 2, the towns
23 of Croydon, Grantham, Newport, Plainfield, and Springfield; District 3, the towns of Acworth,
24 Charlestown, Goshen, Langdon, Lempster, Sunapee, Unity, and Washington.

25 4 Application; Strafford County. The changes in Strafford County commissioner districts
26 established by this act shall not affect constituencies or terms of office of commissioners presently in
27 office. The commissioner districts established by this act shall be in effect for the purpose of electing
28 commissioners at the 2024 state general election. If there shall be a vacancy in a commissioner
29 district for any reason prior to the 2024 state general election, the vacancy shall be filled as provided
30 in law for Strafford County commissioners that existed for the 2022 state general election.

31 5 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill changes how county commissioners are elected in Strafford county and sets the county commissioner districts in Strafford county.