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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

141st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 628

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO SCHOOL BOARDS OF REORGANIZED SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE (Two-thirds of all members elected to each house thereof concurring therein):

Section 1. Amend § 1066A(b), Title 14 of the Delaware Code, by striking paragraph (2) thereof in its entirety and by substituting in lieu thereof the following:

"(2) The Commissioner shall also establish for each District the sequence in which elections held pursuant to this section shall occur. To the extent consistent with the redistricting criteria set forth in subsection (b) of this section, the Commissioner shall endeavor to designate the new nominating districts and to sequence the elections so that the elections for particular nominating district seats occur in the year of the expiration of the terms of the incumbent board member(s) whose constituent population in the nominating district(s) prior to the most recent reapportionment most closely conform to the constituent population in the newly reapportioned nominating district(s).".

SYNOPSIS

This Act revises the standards used by the Commissioner of elections for sequencing school board elections in the Brandywine School District, the Christina School District, the Colonial School District, and the Red Clay Consolidated School District to clarify that the Commissioner must sequence such school board elections so that the seat for the school board member who will represent a newly drawn school board election district (the nominating district) is elected in the year that the term of office of the incumbant, whose constitutent population before redistricting most closely resembles the population of the newly drawn district, expires.

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