

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 1832

## 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE LUETKEMEYER.

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TED WEDEL, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To repeal section 67.1866, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to law enforcement districts.

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

Section A. Section 67.1866, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 67.1866, to read as follows:

67.1866. 1. Whenever the creation of a district is desired, ten percent of the registered voters within the proposed district may file a petition requesting the creation of a district. The petition shall be filed in the circuit court of the county in which the proposed district is located.

2. The proposed district area shall be contiguous and may contain any portion of one or more municipalities.

3. The petition shall set forth:

(1) The name and address of each owner of real property located within the proposed district or who is a registered voter resident within the proposed district;

(2) A specific description of the proposed district boundaries including a map illustrating such boundaries;

(3) A general description of the purpose or purposes for which the district is being formed; and

(4) The name of the proposed district.

4. [In the event any owner of real property within the proposed district who is named in the petition or any legal voter resident within the district shall not join in the petition or file an entry of appearance and waiver of service of process in the case, a copy of the petition shall be

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

17 served upon said owner or legal voter in the manner provided by supreme court rule for the  
18 service of petitions generally. Any objections to the petition shall be raised by answer within the  
19 time provided by supreme court rule for the filing of an answer to a petition.] **The circuit clerk**  
20 **of the county in which the petition is filed pursuant to this section shall present the petition**  
21 **to the judge, who shall thereupon set the petition for hearing not less than thirty days nor**  
22 **more than forty days after the filing. The judge shall cause notice of the time and place of**  
23 **the hearing to be given, by publication on three separate days in one or more newspapers**  
24 **having a general circulation within the county, with the third and final publication to occur**  
25 **not less than twenty days prior to the date set for the hearing. The notice shall recite the**  
26 **information required pursuant to subsection 3 of this section. The costs of printing and**  
27 **publication of the notice shall be paid as required pursuant to section 67.1870.**