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**KEN BENNETT**  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**

CHAPTER 265

## **HOUSE BILL 2420**

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 11-211, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO COUNTY BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 11-211, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:

4 11-211. Membership; qualifications; term

5 A. There shall be in each county having a population of one hundred  
6 seventy-five thousand or more persons a board of supervisors consisting of  
7 five members who shall be qualified electors of their supervisorial district,  
8 and who shall be elected at a general election at which the president of the  
9 United States is elected. In each county having a population of less than  
10 one hundred seventy-five thousand persons, a board of supervisors shall  
11 consist of three members, except as prescribed by subsection B OR C of this  
12 section, who shall be qualified electors of their supervisorial district and  
13 who shall be elected at a general election at which the president of the  
14 United States is elected. They shall enter ~~upon~~ ON their duties on January 1  
15 subsequent to their election, and shall hold office for four years. No  
16 person holding any other county or precinct office is eligible to the office  
17 of supervisor.

18 B. Any county having a population of less than one hundred  
19 ~~seventy-five~~ FIFTY thousand persons but more than one hundred thousand  
20 persons shall call an election to change from a three-member to a five-member  
21 board of supervisors, or from a five-member to a three-member board of  
22 supervisors, ~~upon~~ ON receipt by the board of supervisors of a petition  
23 containing signatures of qualified electors equal to at least ten per cent of  
24 the votes cast in the county at the preceding general election at which a  
25 president of the United States was elected. The board shall submit to the  
26 electors in ~~such~~ THE county, at a special election called for ~~such~~ THAT  
27 purpose, the question whether or not ~~such~~ THE county shall elect five members  
28 or three members to the board of supervisors. The election shall be held  
29 before the first Monday in January preceding the next general election. The  
30 ballots shall contain the words: "Five supervisors, yes. Five supervisors,  
31 no." or "Three supervisors, yes. Three supervisors, no." If the majority of  
32 the qualified electors voting on the question votes in the affirmative, the  
33 board of supervisors shall redistrict the county in accordance with section  
34 11-212. The county shall thereafter elect the prescribed number of members  
35 to the board of supervisors who shall BE ELECTED IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN  
36 SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION AND have the same qualifications as provided in  
37 subsection A of this section for a board of supervisors with a population of  
38 one hundred seventy-five thousand or more persons, and shall hold office for  
39 a term of four years to commence on January 1.

40 C. ANY COUNTY HAVING A POPULATION OF AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED FIFTY  
41 THOUSAND PERSONS BUT NOT MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND PERSONS  
42 AND HAVING A COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT CONSISTS OF THREE PERSONS SHALL  
43 SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS IN THE COUNTY, AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION AFTER THE  
44 RELEASE OF THE POPULATION ESTIMATE FROM THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT AND  
45 POPULATION STATISTICS, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE COUNTY SHALL ELECT FIVE

1 MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THE BALLOTS MUST CONTAIN THE WORDS:  
2 "FIVE SUPERVISORS, YES. FIVE SUPERVISORS, NO." IF APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF  
3 THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THAT COUNTY WHO VOTED ON THE QUESTION, THE BOARD OF  
4 SUPERVISORS SHALL REDISTRIBUTE THE COUNTY PURSUANT TO SECTION 11-212. THE  
5 COUNTY THEREAFTER SHALL ELECT AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION IMMEDIATELY  
6 FOLLOWING THE ELECTION AT WHICH THE QUESTION IS APPROVED THE PRESCRIBED  
7 NUMBER OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHO SHALL HAVE THE SAME  
8 QUALIFICATIONS AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION. THE FOLLOWING  
9 APPLY TO THE ELECTION FOR THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PRESCRIBED IN THIS  
10 SUBSECTION:

11 1. IF THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION AT  
12 WHICH THE QUESTION IS APPROVED IS HELD IN A YEAR THAT IS THE LAST YEAR OF THE  
13 FOUR-YEAR TERM OF THE THREE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHO  
14 ARE ALREADY HOLDING OFFICE, THE FIVE PERSONS ELECTED TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF  
15 SUPERVISORS HOLD OFFICE FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS TO COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1  
16 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THEIR ELECTION.

17 2. IF THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION AT  
18 WHICH THE QUESTION IS APPROVED IS HELD IN A YEAR THAT IS NOT THE LAST YEAR OF  
19 THE FOUR-YEAR TERM OF THE THREE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
20 WHO ARE ALREADY HOLDING OFFICE, THE TWO ADDITIONAL PERSONS ELECTED TO THE  
21 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HOLD OFFICE FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS TO COMMENCE  
22 ON JANUARY 1 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THEIR ELECTION. THE THREE MEMBERS OF THE  
23 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WHO ARE ALREADY HOLDING OFFICE CONTINUE TO SERVE  
24 THEIR FOUR-YEAR TERMS OF OFFICE WITHOUT REGARD TO WHETHER THEY ARE RESIDENTS  
25 OF THE NEWLY REDRAWN SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS FOR THE REMAINDER OF THOSE  
26 FOUR-YEAR TERMS. THEREAFTER, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MUST BE  
27 RESIDENTS OF THEIR SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR MEMBERS  
28 OF THAT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHALL BE STAGGERED FOUR-YEAR TERMS.

29 3. FOR THE ELECTION AT WHICH THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THE COUNTY SHALL  
30 ELECT FIVE MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ON THE BALLOT, THE COUNTY  
31 SHALL INCLUDE IN THE PUBLICITY PAMPHLET AN ESTIMATE OF THE COST TO THE COUNTY  
32 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

33 4. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, "POPULATION" MEANS THE  
34 POPULATION ACCORDING TO THE ANNUAL POPULATION ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE  
35 OF EMPLOYMENT AND POPULATION STATISTICS.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 30, 2014.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 30, 2014.

Passed the House March 4, 2014

by the following vote: 50 Ayes,

5 Nays, 5 Not Voting



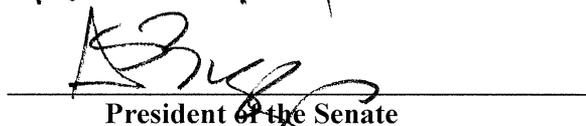
Speaker of the House  
*Pro Tempore*

Cheryl Laube  
Chief Clerk of the House

Passed the Senate April 22, 2014

by the following vote: 17 Ayes,

11 Nays, 2 Not Voting



President of the Senate

Chamber Bellinger  
Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill received by the Governor this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary to the Governor

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

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at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill received by the Secretary of State

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at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State

H.B. 2420

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE  
AMENDMENTS AND FINAL PASSAGE

April 24, 2014,

by the following vote: 34 Ayes,

23 Nays, 4 Not Voting

[Signature]  
Speaker of the House

[Signature]  
Chief Clerk of the House

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill was received by the Governor this

24 day of April, 2014,

at 9:40 o'clock A M.

[Signature]  
Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 30<sup>th</sup> day of

April, 2014,

at 12:09 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]  
Governor of Arizona

H.B. 2420

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State

this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014,

at 4:21 o'clock P. M.

[Signature]  
Secretary of State