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## **AN ACT**

To repeal section 321.130, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to qualifications of directors of fire protection district boards.

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

Section A. Section 321.130, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 321.130, to read as follows:

321.130. 1. A person, to be qualified to serve as a director, shall be a voter of the district at least one year before the election or appointment and be over the age of twenty-five years; except as provided in subsections 2 and 3 of this section. **The person shall also be a resident** 

- 4 of such fire protection district. In the event the person is no longer a resident of the 5 district, the person's office shall be vacated, and the vacancy shall be filled as provided in
- 6 section 321.200. Nominations and declarations of candidacy shall be filed at the headquarters
- of the fire protection district by paying a ten dollar filing fee and filing a statement under oath
- 3 that such person possesses the required qualifications.
  - 2. In any fire protection district located in more than one county one of which is a first class county without a charter form of government having a population of more than one hundred ninety-eight thousand and not adjoining any other first class county or located wholly within a first class county as described herein, a resident shall have been a resident of the district for more
- 13 than one year to be qualified to serve as a director.
- 3. In any fire protection district located in a county of the third or fourth classification, a person to be qualified to serve as a director shall be over the age of twenty-five years and shall

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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be a voter of the district for more than one year before the election or appointment, except that
for the first board of directors in such district, a person need only be a voter of the district for one
year before the election or appointment.

4. A person desiring to become a candidate for the first board of directors of the proposed district shall pay the sum of five dollars as a filing fee to the treasurer of the county and shall file with the election authority a statement under oath that such person possesses all of the qualifications set out in this chapter for a director of a fire protection district. Thereafter, such candidate shall have the candidate's name placed on the ballot as a candidate for director.

