

CHAPTER 78**(HB 457)**

AN ACT relating to election precinct boundaries and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. KRS 117.056 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The provisions of KRS 117.055 notwithstanding, the county boards of elections shall maintain the boundaries of election precincts from *January 1*~~July 15~~ of each year ending in "0" until the termination of the next following regular or extraordinary session of the General Assembly which enacts congressional and state legislative redistricting legislation following receipt of the decennial United States Census of Population.
- (2) If any county board of elections fails to perform the duty placed upon it by subsection (1) of this section, the State Board of Elections shall apply to the Circuit Court of the county for a writ of mandamus requiring the county board to perform this duty.

➔Section 2. Whereas it is important for the Commonwealth to receive the benefit of its participation in Phase 2 of the 2020 Census Redistricting Data Program under Pub. L. No. 94-171, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

Signed by Governor April 7, 2020.