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HOUSE BILL NO. 160

BY REPRESENTATIVE LONG

COURTS/JUSTICE OF PEACE: Provides for territorial jurisdiction of justices of the peace and constables in Natchitoches Parish

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 13:2614, relative to justice of the peace courts; to provide for
3	territorial jurisdiction of justice of the peace courts and constables in
4	Natchitoches Parish; and to provide for related matters.
5	Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been
6	published as provided by Article III, Section 13 of
7	the Constitution of Louisiana.
8	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
9	Section 1. R.S. 13:2614 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	§2614. Territorial jurisdiction; Natchitoches Parish justice of the peace
11	courts
12	A. Effective January 1, 2003, the territorial limits of the three
13	justice of the peace courts in Natchitoches Parish shall be Wards 2, 3,
14	and 4, respectively, as follows:
15	(1) Ward 2 is composed of precincts 2-1, 2-2, 2-3, 2-4, 2-5, 2-6,
16	2-7, 2-8, and 2-9 in their entirety. The boundary description for Ward
17	2 is as follows: Beginning at the junction of the center flow channel of

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Black Lake Bayou and the Natchitoches/Bienville/Red River Parish line at the northwestern corporate limits of the City of Ashland; thence proceed easterly along the Natchitoches/Bienville Parish line to its junction with the center flow channel of Saline Bayou at the northeastern corner of the Natchitoches/Bienville/Winn Parish line; thence proceed southerly along said bayou and the Natchitoches/Winn Parish line to its junction with the center flow channel of the Red River; thence proceed westerly, northerly, and northwesterly along said river to its junction with the Natchitoches/Red River Parish line; thence proceed northerly and easterly along said parish line to its junction with the center flow channel of Black Lake Bayou; thence proceed northerly along said bayou to its junction with the Natchitoches/Bienville/Red River Parish line at the northwestern corporate limits of the City of Ashland, the point of beginning. (2) Ward 3 is composed of precincts 3-1, 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, 3-5, 3-6, 3-7, 3-8, 3-9, and 3-10 in their entirety. The boundary description for Ward 3 is as follows: Beginning at the junction of the center right-ofway of U.S. Highway 49 and the center flow channel of Wallace Bayou at the Natchitoches/DeSoto Parish line; thence proceed easterly along the parish line to its junction with the Natchitoches/Red River Parish line; thence proceed southerly and easterly along the parish line to its junction with the center flow channel of the Red River; thence proceed southeasterly along said river to its junction with the center flow channel of Bayou Pierre; thence proceed southwesterly along said bayou to its junction with the center right-of-way of Louisiana State

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Highway 1; thence proceed northwesterly along said highway to its

junction with the southeastern corporate limits of the Village of
Powhatan; thence proceed southerly and westerly along said corporate
limits to its junction with the center right-of-way of Louisiana State
Highway 485; thence proceed southwesterly along said highway to its
junction with the center flow channel of Middle Bayou; thence proceed
southeasterly along said bayou to its junction with the center flow
channel of Little River; thence proceed southwesterly along said river
to its junction with the center right-of-way of Parish Road 547-A
(Burket Slough Road); thence proceed southeasterly along said road to
its junction with the center right-of-way of Parish Road 547 (Posey
Road); thence proceed southeasterly along said road to its junction with
the center right-of-way of Parish Road 554 (New Road); thence
proceed easterly along said road to its junction with the center right-of-
way of Parish Road 553 (Old Bethel Church Road); thence proceed
southwesterly along said road to its junction with the center right-of-
way of Parish Road 556 (Shady Grove Road); thence proceed easterly
and southerly along said road to its junction with Louisiana State
Highway 6; thence proceed easterly along said highway to its junction
with the center right-of-way of Louisiana State Highway 117; thence
proceed southerly along said highway to its junction with the center
flow channel of Dogneck Branch; thence proceed easterly along said
branch to its junction with the center flow channel of Young's Bayou;
thence proceed northerly along said bayou to its junction with the
center right-of-way of Louisiana State Highway 6; thence proceed
easterly along said highway to its junction with the center right-of-way
of Parish Road 630 (Collins Road); thence proceed southerly along said

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road to its junction with the center right-of-way of an unnamed road in Section 10, Township 8 North, Range 8 West; thence proceed northeasterly along said road to its junction with the center right-ofway of U.S. Highway I-49; thence proceed southeasterly along said highway to its junction with the center right-of-way of Parish Road 618 (Bayou Blue Road); thence proceed southwesterly along said road to its junction with the center right-of-way of Louisiana State Highway 120; thence proceed westerly along said highway to its junction with the center flow channel of Bayou Blue; thence proceed southerly along said bayou to its junction with the center flow channel of Bayou Provencal; thence proceed easterly along said bayou to its junction with the center flow channel of Sand Creek; thence proceed northerly along said creek to its junction with the center right-of-way of Louisiana State Highway 120; thence proceed easterly along said highway to its junction with the center right-of-way of U.S. Highway I-49; thence proceed southeasterly along said highway to its junction with the center flow channel of the Kisatchie Bayou; thence proceed westerly along said bayou to its junction with Louisiana State Highway 494; thence proceed southwesterly along said highway to its junction with the center right-of-way of an unnamed parish road intersecting Louisiana State Highway 494 in the Northern portion of Section 40, Township 7 North, Range 7 West; thence proceed southerly then easterly along said road to its junction with the center right-of-way of another unnamed parish road in Section 6, Township 6 North, Range 6 West; thence proceed southerly along said road to its junction with the center rightof-way of Parish Road 830 (Longleaf Vista Road) in Section 13,

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Township 6 North, Range 7 West; thence proceed southwesterly along
said road to its junction with the center flow channel of Steep Hill
Creek; thence proceed southwesterly along said creek to its junction
with the center flow channel of Kisatchie Bayou; thence proceed
westerly along said bayou to its junction with the center right-of-way
of an unnamed parish road in Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 8
West; thence proceed southwesterly, northwesterly, southwesterly, then
northwesterly along said road to its junction with another unnamed
parish road in Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 8 West; thence
proceed southerly along said road approximately seven-eighths of a
mile to its junction with the western boundary of the
Natchitoches/Sabine Parish line; thence proceed northerly, westerly,
northerly, westerly, then northerly along said parish line to its junction
with the Natchitoches/DeSoto Parish line; thence proceed northerly
along said parish line to its junction with the center right-of-way of
U.S. Highway 49 and the center flow channel of Wallace Bayou, the
point of beginning.
(3) Ward 4 is composed of precincts 4-1, 4-2, 4-3, 4-4, 4-5, 4-6,
4-7, 4-8, and 4-9 in their entirety. The boundary description for Ward
4 is as follows: Beginning at the junction of the center right-of-way of
U.S. Highway I-49 and the center flow Channel of Bayou Souris;
thence proceed easterly along said bayou to its junction with the center
flow channel of Old River; thence proceed southeasterly along said
river to its junction with the center right-of-way of Parish Road 617
(Waterwell Road); thence proceed northeasterly along said road to its

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junction with the center right-of-way of Louisiana State Highway 1;

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thence proceed northwesterly along said highway to its junction with the center right-of-way of Parish Road 517 (Lateral Road); thence proceed northeasterly along said road to its junction with the center flow channel of Cane River; thence proceed southerly, then southeasterly along said river to its junction with the center flow channel of Poisson Canal; thence proceed northeasterly along said canal to its junction with the center right-of-way of Louisiana State Highway 494; thence proceed southeasterly along said highway to its junction with the center right-of-way of Parish Road 502 (Hampton Road); thence proceed northeasterly along said road to its junction with the center right-of-way of the Red River Levee Road; thence proceed southeasterly along said road to its junction with the center flow channel of Bayou Cadoche; thence proceed northeasterly along said bayou to its junction with the Natchitoches/Winn Parish line; thence proceed southerly a short distance along said parish line to its junction with the Natchitoches/Grant Parish line which is also the center flow channel of the Red River; thence proceed southeasterly along said parish line/river to its junction with the Natchitoches/Rapides Parish line; thence proceed southwesterly along said parish line to its junction with the Natchitoches/Vernon Parish line; thence proceed westerly along said parish line to its junction with the Natchitoches/Sabine Parish line; thence proceed northerly along said parish line to its junction with the center right-of-way of an unnamed parish road in Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 8 West; thence proceed northerly along said road approximately seven-eighths of a mile to its junction with the center right-of-way of another unnamed parish road located on

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the north boundary of Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 8 West;
thence proceed southeasterly, northeasterly, southeasterly,
northeasterly, then northerly along said road to its junction with the
center flow channel of Kisatchie Bayou; thence proceed easterly along
said bayou to its junction with the center flow channel of Steep Hill
Creek; thence proceed northeasterly along said creek to its junction
with the center right-of-way of Parish Road 830 (Longleaf Vista Road);
thence proceed northeasterly along said road to its junction with the
center right-of-way of an unnamed road in Section 13, Township 6
North, Range 7 West; thence proceed northeasterly along said road to
its junction with the center right-of-way of another unnamed parish
road in Section 6, Township 6 North, Range 6 West; thence proceed
northerly along said road to its junction with another unnamed parish
road intersecting Louisiana State Highway 494 in the Northern portion
of Section 40, Township 7 North, Range 7 West; thence proceed
easterly then northerly along said highway to its junction with the
center flow channel of the Kisatchie Bayou; thence proceed easterly
along said bayou to its junction with the center right-of-way of U.S.
Highway I-49; thence proceed northwesterly along said highway to its
junction with the center right-of-way of Louisiana State Highway 120;
thence proceed westerly along said highway to its junction with the
center flow channel of Sand Creek; thence proceed southerly along said
creek to its junction with the center flow channel of Bayou Provencal;
thence proceed westerly along said bayou to its junction with the center
flow channel of Bayou Blue; thence proceed northerly along said bayou
to its junction with the center right-of-way of Louisiana State Highway

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120; thence proceed easterly along said highway to its junction with the center right-of-way of Parish Road 618 (Blue Bayou Road); thence proceed northeasterly along said road to its junction with the center right-of-way of U.S. Highway I-49; thence proceed northwesterly along said highway to its junction with the center flow channel of Bayou Souris, the point of beginning.

B. The persons elected to the offices of justice of the peace and constable for such justice of the peace courts at the 2002 congressional election shall be elected from the districts provided in this Section.

## **DIGEST**

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument.

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<u>Proposed law</u> would provide for territorial limits of the three justice of the peace courts in Natchitoches Parish which would be Wards 2, 3, and 4, respectively, of the parish.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the justices of the peace and constables elected at the January 1, 2002, congressional elections shall be elected from the new districts.

(Adds R.S. 13:2614)