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SENATE BILL NO. 69

By Mr. Reynolds (of Mercer)

PASSED March 9, 1933

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(S. B. No. 169)

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AN ACT creating the independent school district of Princeton, Mercer county.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That in the event a majority of the votes cast at 2 an election to be held on the second Tuesday in April, one thou-
3 sand nine hundred thirty-three, be in favor thereof; the fol-
4 lowing described territory in the county of Mercer and in the 5 district of East River, shall, after the results of such election 6 are ascertained and declared, be the independent school district 7 of Princeton, to-wit: The territory contained within the lim-
8 its of East River magisterial district, as the same are on the
9 first day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three.

Sec. 2. The board of education of said independent district shall consist of a president and two commissioners, who shall be elected by the qualified voters of said independent district, at the general elections; for a term of six years or until their successors have been elected and qualified, and shall have all the powers and perform all the duties, and be governed by all the laws as boards of education elsewhere in the county, outside of the independent districts, except in so far as changed by the provisions of this act; and in the event of the establishment of the independent district of Princeton, the two members elected at the general election, held in the year one thousand nine hundred thirty and the one member elected at the general election, held in the year one thousand nine hundred thirty-two, shall be members of the board of education of the independent district of Princeton until the expiration of terms for which they were elected. At the next general election after this act goes into effect, one member shall be elected for four years; and a president for six years, and each two years thereafter after the one candidate who receives the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.
Sec. 3. The board of education of the said independent school district shall be a corporation by the name of "The Board of Education of the Independent School District of Princeton," and as such, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, and exercise all powers and duties as other district boards of education operating under the general school law.

Sec. 4. The board of education of said independent school district shall hold its regular meetings in each year on the first Monday in July, the first and third Tuesdays in August, and, when the schools are in session, on any regular day agreed upon by the board, all meetings to be held at a place to be designated by the board at its first meeting held on the first Monday in July. Upon the call of the president or of two school commissioners, the board of education may hold other meetings, but no business shall be transacted at any called meeting except such as may be designated in the call therefor of which all the members have had notice.

A majority of the members of the board of education of said independent school district shall constitute a quorum and such board cannot transact any official business except when as-
Sec. 5. All monies, whether belonging to the teachers’ building or maintenance funds of the district of East River, Mercer county, which may be unexpended when the provisions of this act take effect, shall become the property of the said independent school district of Princeton, and all debts contracted by the East River district prior to July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, shall be assumed by the independent school district of Princeton. Title to all school property owned by said board of education of East River district and located within the territorial boundaries of said independent district shall, immediately upon this act becoming effective, pass by operation of law and become vested in the said board of education of said independent school district.

Sec. 6. The payment of all outstanding bonds of the board of education of East River district in the county of Mercer, issued for building purposes, as well as the interest on such bonds, shall be obligatory upon and assumed by the said independent district of Princeton.

Sec. 7. All the provisions of the general school law of the state, and all the acts heretofore existing, which are in any
3 manner inconsistent with the provisions of this act, shall be
4 void within the said independent district; otherwise, the gen-
5 eral school law shall remain in full force and effect in the said
6 independent school district, as elsewhere in the state.

Sec. 8. The special election to be held as provided in section
2 one of this act, shall be held under the supervision of the board
3 of education of the district of East River, in the county of
4 Mercer. The said board of education shall prepare or cause to
5 be prepared, a notice, stating that the question of ratifying the
6 act of the legislature of the state of West Virginia, creating
7 the independent district of Princeton, in the county of Mercer,
8 out of territory embraced in the district of East River in the
9 said county, will be submitted to the voters of said East River
10 district, at a special election to be held on the second Tuesday
11 of April, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, at not less
12 than ten voting places in said district, (to be specified in said
13 notice) which notice shall be signed by the president and sec-
14 retary of said board and shall be posted at least ten days be-
15 fore said election at each of the voting places designated by
16 said board for the purpose of said election. Said notice shall
17 be published once a week for two weeks prior to said election,
18 in two newspapers of opposite politics in Mercer county. The
19 board of education of East River district shall designate the
20 voting places for said election, appoint commissioners and poll
21 clerks to conduct the same, ascertain the results thereof and
22 pay the expenses thereof out of the building fund of the said
23 district.
24 The ballot to be voted at the said election shall be on plain,
25 white paper and in the following form:
26 SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION
27 (Indicate how you desire to vote by a cross in the square.)
28 □ For Ratification of the "Independent District of Prince-
29 ton."
30 □ Against Ratification of the "Independent District of
31 Princeton."
32 If the majority of the votes cast be for ratification, then this
33 act shall be in force on and after the first day of July, one
34 thousand nine hundred thirty-three, otherwise this act is void.
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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Clerk of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.

Clerk of the Senate.

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Governor.

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