

PROPOSED AMENDMENT CHANGING DISTRICT COURT, 1857

Proposed by joint resolution of the General Assembly, April 3, 1857. Submitted to electors, October 13, 1857.

Total vote cast	.	.	.	.	.	332,126
For amendment	.	.	.	.	.	156,646
Against amendment	.	.	.	.	.	30,039
Not adopted.						

RESOLVED by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, three-fifths of the members elected to each house concurring therein, that it be and hereby is proposed to the electors of this state to vote on the second Tuesday of October next upon the approval or rejection of the following amendment as a substitute for the fifth and sixth sections of the fourth article of the Constitution:

SEC. 5. District courts shall be held in each county at least once in each year, by one or more district judges elected by the electors of separate districts to be prescribed by law, who shall hold their office for five years, and during their continuance in office shall reside in the district for which they are elected. The provisions of the fourteenth section of this article shall apply to district judges. The General Assembly may, by law, authorize the judges of the district court and courts of common pleas to fix the times of holding their respective courts. Until district judges shall have been elected and qualified, district courts shall be held by the judges of the supreme court and of the courts of common pleas as now authorized.

SEC. 6. The district court shall have such jurisdiction as may be provided by law, and the judges thereof shall have and exercise such power and jurisdiction at chambers, and may be required to sit as judges of the courts of common pleas, as shall be directed by law.²⁵

²⁵ Not in *Laws of Ohio* for 1857; on file in office of secretary of State. — ED.