



Ohio Revised Code

Section 340.022 Board size after withdrawing from a joint-county district.

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Notwithstanding the procedures established by section 340.02 of the Revised Code for determining the size of a board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services, the size of a board shall be determined in accordance with this section in both of the following circumstances:

(A)(1) If the director of behavioral health during the period beginning January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2022, grants approval to a board of county commissioners of a county with a population of at least seventy thousand but not more than eighty thousand, according to data from the 2010 federal census, to withdraw from a joint-county alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health service district pursuant to section 340.01 of the Revised Code, the size of the board shall be determined by the board of county commissioners representing the county that constitutes the single-county alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health service district created as a result of the withdrawal. The determination shall be made from among the options that may be selected under division (A)(2) of this section. Once an option is selected, the board of county commissioners shall adopt a resolution specifying the selection that has been made and shall notify the department of behavioral health. After the resolution is adopted and the department is notified, the determination of size is final.

(2) In the case of a board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services that is established on or after the date the director grants the approval to withdraw described in division (A)(1) of this section, either of the following options may be selected by the board of county commissioners when making the determination required under that division:

(a) To establish the board as an eighteen-member board;

(b) To establish the board as a fourteen-member board.

(3) When a board is established on or after September 30, 2021, the initial appointments shall be staggered among the members as equally as possible with terms of two years, three years, and four



years.

(B)(1) If a county with a population of at least thirty-five thousand but not more than forty-five thousand, according to data from the 2010 federal census, joins an existing alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health service district during the period beginning on June 30, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023, the existing board of alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services serving that district may elect to expand its membership to eighteen members if the existing board has fourteen members.

(2) The option to expand the board, as provided in division (B)(1) of this section, is available only during the twelve-month period beginning on the date the county with a population of at least thirty-five thousand but not more than forty-five thousand joins the alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health service district served by the board. The additional members shall be appointed in the manner specified in section 340.02 of the Revised Code.