LEGISLATIVE BILL 118

Approved by the Governor March 5, 1977

Introduced by Kelly, 35

AN ACT to amend section 43-229, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1976, relating to separate juvenile courts; to provide that electors may vote to establish such courts at a special election; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 43-229, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1976, be amended to read as follows:

43-229. The question of whether or not there shall be established a separate juvenile court in any county having a population of thirty thousand or more inhabitants shall be submitted to the qualified electors of any such county at the first general state election or at any special election held not less than four months after the filing with the Secretary of State of a petition requesting the establishment of such court signed by electors of such county in a number not less than five per cent of the total votes cast for Governor in such county at the general state election next preceding the filing of the petition. The question shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the county in the following form:

... Yes

... No

The election shall be conducted, and the ballots shall be counted and canvassed, by the regular election officials conducting the general state election in the manner prescribed by law for submission of special propositions to the electors.

After a separate juvenile court has been established, the clerk of the district court shall forthwith transfer to the docket of the separate juvenile court all pending matters within the exclusive jurisdiction of the separate juvenile court for consideration and disposition by the judge thereof.

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Sec. 2. That original section 43-229, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1976, is repealed.

Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act shall be in full force and take effect, from and after its passage and approval, according to law.