

**ACT No. 155**

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 177

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROWN

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 13:2623, relative to the Iberville Parish justice of the peace courts; to provide  
3 for the territorial jurisdiction of such courts; to provide relative to the election to the  
4 offices of justice of the peace and constable; to provide for effectiveness; and to  
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 13:2623 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §2623. Territorial jurisdiction; Iberville Parish justice of the peace courts and  
9 constables

10 A. The territorial limits of the justice of the peace districts and courts in  
11 Iberville Parish shall be as follows:

12 (1) The first justice of the peace district and court shall consist of Precincts  
13 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of Iberville Parish.

14 (2) The second justice of the peace district and court shall consist of  
15 Precincts 9, 10, 10B, 11, and 12 of Iberville Parish.

16 (3) The third justice of the peace district and court shall consist of Precincts  
17 13, 14, 14A, 15, 17, and 18 of Iberville Parish.

18 (4) The fourth justice of the peace district and court shall consist of Precincts  
19 19, 20, 21, and 22 of Iberville Parish.

20 (5) The fifth justice of the peace district and court shall consist of Precincts  
21 15A, 16, 24, and 25 of Iberville Parish.

1                   (6) The sixth justice of the peace district and court shall consist of Precincts  
2                   26, 27, 28, 29, 31, and 32 of Iberville Parish.

3                   B. The persons elected to the offices of justice of the peace and constable for  
4                   such justice of the peace courts in Iberville Parish at the regularly scheduled election  
5                   in 2026 and their successors shall be elected from the districts provided in this  
6                   Section.

7                   Section 2.(A) The precincts referenced in this Act are those contained in the file  
8                   named "2025 Precinct Shapefiles (01-16-2025)" available on the Legislature of Louisiana's  
9                   website on the effective date of this Section. The 2025 Precinct Shapefiles are based upon  
10                  those Voting Districts (VTDs) contained in the 2020 Census Redistricting TIGER/Line  
11                  Shapefiles for the State of Louisiana as those files have been modified and validated through  
12                  the data verification program of the Louisiana House of Representatives and the Louisiana  
13                  Senate to represent precinct changes submitted through January 16, 2025, to the Legislature  
14                  of Louisiana by parish governing authorities pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 18:532 and  
15                  532.1.

16                  (B) When a precinct referenced in this Act has been subdivided by action of the  
17                  parish governing authority on a nongeographic basis or subdivided by action of the parish  
18                  governing authority on a geographic basis in accordance with the provisions of R.S.  
19                  18:532.1, the enumeration in this Act of the general precinct designation shall include all  
20                  nongeographic and all geographic subdivisions thereof, however such subdivisions may be  
21                  designated.

22                  (C) The territorial limits of the districts as provided in this Act shall continue in  
23                  effect without change regardless of any changes made to the precincts by the parish  
24                  governing authority.

25                  Section 3.(A) This Act shall become effective for purposes of the regularly  
26                  scheduled 2026 primary election for justices of peace and constables in Iberville Parish upon  
27                  signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for  
28                  bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section  
29                  18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved  
30                  by the legislature, this Act shall become effective for purposes of the regularly scheduled

1 2026 primary election for justices of peace and constables in Iberville Parish on the day  
2 following such approval.

3 (B) This Act shall become effective for all other purposes on January 1, 2027.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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