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DIVISION 14. POLICE PROTECTION [20000 - 20115] (*Division 14 enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.*)

PART 1. POLICE PROTECTION DISTRICTS [20000 - 20115] (*Part 1 enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.*)

CHAPTER 1. In Unincorporated Towns [20000 - 20115] (*Chapter 1 enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.*)

ARTICLE 3. Administration [20060 - 20081] (*Article 3 enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.*)

20060. A district shall be governed by a district board of three commissioners, each of whom shall be a resident of the district.
(*Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.*)

20061. Except as otherwise provided in this article, all district elections shall be called, held, and conducted in all respects as nearly as practicable in conformity with the Uniform District Election Law.
(*Repealed and added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 29.*)

20062. Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, the terms of office of commissioners of the board in all districts existing on January 1, 1969, shall be determined as provided in Section 10507 of the Elections Code, and the terms of office of commissioners of the board in all new districts shall be determined as provided in Section 10505 of the Elections Code.
(*Amended by Stats. 1994, Ch. 923, Sec. 144. Effective January 1, 1995.*)

20068. A vacancy occurring in the office of an elected commissioner shall be filled by an appointment of the board.
(*Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.*)

20069. Every commissioner shall serve without compensation.
(*Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.*)

20070. The district board shall adopt all rules and regulations necessary for the administration, operation, and maintenance of the district.
(*Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.*)

20070.5. (a) A district's police department, police chief, and employees shall have all of the rights, duties, privileges, immunities, obligations, and powers of a municipal police department.
(b) It is the intent of the Legislature that the act adding this section shall not affect the Broadmoor Police Protection District's current reimbursements for any state-mandated local programs.
(*Added by Stats. 2007, Ch. 169, Sec. 1. Effective January 1, 2008.*)

20071. (a) The district board shall determine the number of employees, if any, necessary for the proper care and protection of the life and property of residents in the district.
(b) Except as provided in subdivision (c), the district board shall appoint all district employees and prescribe their duties and compensation. All of these employees shall hold their positions at the pleasure of the district board.
(c) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), the district board may delegate to the chief of police the authority to appoint and dismiss district employees.
(*Amended by Stats. 2007, Ch. 169, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2008.*)

20071.5. The district may contract with a municipality within the county in which the district is located or with the county for the furnishing of police protection service by any police agency of the municipality or county.

(Added by Stats. 1949, Ch. 1524.)

20072. For the purpose of housing its police equipment and apparatus, and for housing its ambulances, the district board may acquire land and erect a police station; or acquire land on which a police station, or a building suitable for a police station, has been erected.

(Amended by Stats. 1953, Ch. 1570.)

20073. Before acquiring any real property for a police station, the district board may submit to the voters in the district at a special election, or at the election for a commissioner, the proposition whether or not land shall be acquired and a police station built thereon; or whether or not land on which a police station, or a building suitable for a police station, has been erected shall be acquired. The approval or disapproval of the voters shall be binding upon the district board.

(Amended by Stats. 1967, Ch. 29.)

20074. All real property for a police station acquired pursuant to this article shall be conveyed to and held in the name of the "Board of Police Commissioners of the Police Protection District _____" (naming the district).

(Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.)

20075. The district board may pay for any real property it acquires for a police station out of money derived from the annual district tax, or out of money derived from a special tax approved by the voters in the district at an election. The procedure and conduct of an election for the approval of a special tax shall conform to that specified in this chapter for the approval of a special tax for the establishment and equipment of a police department.

(Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.)

20076. The district board may dispose of any real property acquired for a police station. The disposition shall, however, be first approved by the voters in the district at an election, if the property was acquired pursuant to their approval at an election. The proceeds from the disposition shall be exclusively devoted to the purchase of other real property.

(Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.)

20077. The district board may make and award contracts and may sue and be sued in the name of the district.

(Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.)

20078. The district board shall keep a correct record of all its acts and proceedings, and of all its receipts and disbursements. For that purpose, it shall procure all necessary books and blanks.

The books of the district board shall be open to public inspection at all times.

(Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.)

20079. Each commissioner shall, at the expiration of his term of office, turn over to his successor all books and documents in his possession belonging to the district board and take a receipt therefor.

(Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.)

20080. All accounts, bills, and demands against the district shall be audited, allowed, and paid by the district board by warrants of the county auditor drawn on the county treasurer upon orders of the district board. The county treasurer shall honor the warrants in the order in which they are presented.

(Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.)

20081. In addition to the duties specified in this chapter, the district board shall perform such other duties as are proper and necessary to carry out this part.

(Enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.)