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AN ACT CREATING A METROPOLITAN DISTRICT WITHIN THE COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

This bill establishes a Metropolitan District embracing Hartford and the towns of West Hartford, Windsor, Wethersfield, Newington and Bloomfield, but preserving to each town its political identity. The four functions which are incorporated within the powers of the proposed district are water supply, sewage disposal, care and maintenance of highways passing from one town into another, and regional planning. Under the provisions of the bill a referendum on the proposal will be held in each of the five surrounding towns on the first Monday in October, and in Hartford in November. The approval of Hartford is necessary for establishment of the district, although all five of the remaining towns need not join the new district for its creation. If the measure is accepted by the Voters, the first District Board will be appointed by the Governor. Each town accepting the district proposal will have one appointee and in addition there will be fifteen members at large, of which five members shall be appointed for two years, five for four years and five for six years. As the representatives of the towns have two-year terms, after the original appointments, five members at large and one representative of each town will be chosen by the voters each two years. The plan was prepared by a commission comprised of representatives from Bloomfield, Newington, West Hartford, Hartford, Windsor and Wethersfield, acting with the Senators from the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Districts, to find out if there was need for some sort of common co-operation for public utilities. In favor:

Charles A. Goodwin, P.F. Corbin, Senator Woodford, Rep. Hanbury, Miss Bryant, Rep. Willard, ex-Senator Koppleman, ex-Senator Merritt.
Favorable.