

SESSION OF 2026

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2711

As Recommended by House Committee on
Local Government

Brief*

HB 2711 would modify the election and petition procedures for the dissolution of cities of the third class, including the timing and certification process.

The bill would provide that, on petition of a majority of the qualified electors of any city of the third class, the city council would be required to order an election be placed on the next primary or general election ballot to approve or disapprove the proposal of city dissolution. The election would be required to be at least 60 days after the submission of the petition.

If a two-thirds majority of the qualified electors vote to approve the dissolution of the city, the city thereafter ceases to exist as a corporate body and the territory becomes a part of the township in which the city was located.

The bill would also make technical changes.

Background

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Elections at the request of Representative Bergquist.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <https://klrd.gov/>

House Committee on Local Government

In the House Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by a representative of the Office of the Secretary of State. The proponent generally stated the statutes the bill would update have not been changed since 1872, and the statutory election procedures were no longer workable within the modern election system.

No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Fiscal Information

A fiscal note was not available at the time the House Committee took action on the bill.

Township; third class; dissolution; city; third class