



Legislation Text

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Charter Amendment, Board of Supervisors of Elections - For the purpose of changing the deadlines for designating and appointing members to the Board of Supervisors of Elections.

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE
City of Annapolis**

Charter Amendment 2-15

Introduced by: Mayor Pantelides

**Referred to
Rules and City Government Committee
Board of Supervisors of Elections**

A CHARTER AMENDMENT concerning

Charter Amendment, Board of Supervisors of Elections

FOR the purpose of changing the deadlines for designating and appointing members to the Board of Supervisors of Elections.

BY amending the following portions of the Annapolis City Charter:
Article II, Section 6.

SECTION I: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the Charter of the City of Annapolis shall be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE II - Election of Mayor and Aldermen

Sec. 6 - Board of supervisors of elections.

(a) There is a board of supervisors of elections of the City of Annapolis, consisting of three (3)

residents in and voters of the city, two (2) of whom shall always be selected from the leading political parties of the state, one (1) from each of such parties. The third member may be selected from either of the leading political parties of the state or from any other political party. The members shall be persons of approved integrity and capacity, and may not hold elective office, nor be candidates for elective office during their terms of office. Members shall serve without compensation.

(bc) Members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall be appointed by the City Council for a term that begins on the second Monday of March following the General City Election in the preceding November and ends four (4) years later on the second Monday in March. In the event of a vacancy, the City Council shall immediately fill the vacancy only for the remainder of the four-year term. A member must be reappointed for a new term in order to serve beyond any four-year term. A chair of the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall be chosen annually by its members.

(eb) Before appointing any supervisors of election, the city council shall request the city central committees representing the two (2) leading political parties of the state in the city each to designate at least four (4) eligible candidates for the position to be filled, by the second Monday in ~~March~~ FEBRUARY. If a city central committee fails to nominate the required number of candidates as provided herein, the mayor shall submit a list of nominees to the city council in addition to the central committee's list by the first Monday in ~~April~~ MARCH. The city council shall appoint the supervisors by the second Monday in ~~April~~ MARCH.

SECTION II: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the date of adoption of this Resolution is November 23, 2015, and the amendments of the Charter of the City of Annapolis, hereby enacted shall become effective on January 12, 2016, unless a proper petition for referendum hereon shall be filed as permitted by law within 40 days of adoption, provided a complete and exact copy of this Resolution shall be continuously posted on the bulletin board in the City Hall until January 2, 2016, and provided further that a copy of the title of this Resolution shall be published in "The Capital," a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Annapolis, or in any other newspaper of such general circulation, once in each of the weeks on, December 7, 2015, December 14, 2015, December 21, 2015, and December 28, 2015.

SECTION III: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that the Mayor is hereby specifically commanded to carry out the provisions of Section II hereof, and, as evidence of such compliance, the Mayor shall cause to be maintained appropriate certificates of publication of the newspaper or newspapers in which the title of the Resolution shall have been published and if a favorable referendum is held on the Charter change, shall declare the Charter change hereby enacted to be effective on January 12, 2016, by affixing his signature hereto in the space provided on the effective date of change.

SECTION IV: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL that as soon as the Charter Amendment hereby enacted shall become effective, either as provided herein or following a referendum, the Mayor shall send to the Maryland Department of Legislative Services a copy of

this Resolution showing the number of Aldermen and Alderwomen voting for and against it and a report on the votes cast for or against the amendment hereby enacted at any referendum thereon and the date of such referendum.

The above Charter Amendment was enacted by the foregoing Resolution which was passed at a Meeting of the Annapolis City Council on November 23, 2015; 8 voting in the affirmative, 0 voting in the negative, 0 abstaining and 1 absent and the said Resolution becomes effective in accordance with law on the 12th day of January, 2016.

EXPLANATION

CAPITAL LETTERS indicate matter added to existing law.

~~Strikethrough~~ indicates matter stricken from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments.