

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2003 SESSION

CHAPTER 668

An Act to amend and reenact § 3.1, as amended, of Chapter 370 of the Acts of Assembly of 1973, which provided a charter for the Town of Floyd, relating to council elections.

[S 736]

Approved March 19, 2003

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 3.1, as amended, of Chapter 370 of the Acts of Assembly of 1973 is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 3.1. Election, qualification and term of office. (a) The town of Floyd shall be governed by a town council composed of four councilmen and a mayor, all of whom shall be qualified voters of the town.

(b) The mayor and councilmen in office at the time of the passage of this act shall continue until the expiration of the terms for which they were elected or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

An election for mayor and councilmen shall be held on the first Tuesday in May, 1974, and those elected shall take office on the first day of July, 1974. The mayor and the two councilmen receiving the highest number of votes shall take office for a term of four years. The two councilmen receiving the next highest number of votes shall take office for a term of two years. Thereafter, there shall be an election on the first Tuesday in May of each even numbered year and those elected shall take office on the first day of the succeeding July for a term of four years.

However, pursuant to § 24.2-222.1 of the Code of Virginia, beginning in 2003, the election date of the mayor and council shall be the general election date in November of odd-numbered years. The election for two council members, last elected in May 2000 and having taken office on July 1, 2000, shall be held on the general election date in November 2003 to take office for terms of four years beginning on January 1, 2004. The election for the office of mayor and for two council members, last elected in May 2002 and having taken office on July 1, 2002, shall be held on the general election date in November 2005 to take office for terms of four years beginning on January 1, 2006.

(c) The mayor shall preside over meetings of the town council and shall be the chief official of the town for ceremonial purposes. He shall have the same powers and duties as other members of the council with a vote but no veto power.

2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.