

# 2019 SESSION

## HOUSE SUBSTITUTE

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### HOUSE BILL NO. 1766

#### AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns  
on January 18, 2019)

(Patrons Prior to Substitute—Delegates Yancey and Price [HB 1995])

*A BILL to amend and reenact § 4.05, as amended, of Chapter 576 of the Acts of Assembly of 1978, which provided a charter for the City of Newport News, relating to time of inaugural meeting of newly elected city council.*

**Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

**1. That § 4.05, as amended, of Chapter 576 of the Acts of Assembly of 1978 is amended and reenacted as follows:**

§ 4.05. Inaugural meetings; induction of members and election of vice-mayor.

The first meeting of a newly elected council shall take place on the date of the first regularly scheduled meeting of the city council in the month of July following the election at ~~10:00 a.m.~~ at a ~~place~~ *a time and location* specified for same in the notice sent to the council members in accord with the manner set forth in § 4.06 of this charter for special meetings. At or before this first meeting, the oath of office shall be administered to the duly elected members as provided by law. In the absence of the mayor, the meeting may be called to order by the city clerk. The first business of the council shall be the election of a vice-mayor and the adoption of rules of procedure. Until this business has been completed, the council shall not adjourn for a period longer than forty-eight hours.

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