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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1284

House Amendments in [ ] — January 27, 2015

A BILL to amend and reenact § 3 of Chapter 240 of the Acts of Assembly of 1908, which provided a charter for the Town of Branchville in the County of Southampton, relating to elections.

Patron Prior to Engrossment—Delegate Tyler

Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

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

## 1. That § 3 of Chapter 240 of the Acts of Assembly of 1908 is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 3. The government of said town shall be vested in a mayor and six councilmen, to be elected every two years, [ on the second Tuesday of ] June, and all [ on the Tuesday after the first Monday in ] November at the time of the general election, as follows: At the 2015 election, the candidate for mayor receiving the most votes and the candidates for council receiving the three highest vote totals shall be elected to serve four-year terms, and new elections for mayor and those three council seats shall be held at the time of the November 2019 general election and every four years thereafter. At the 2015 election, the candidates for council receiving the next three highest vote totals shall be elected to serve two-year terms, and new elections for those three council seats shall be held at the time of the November 2017 general election and every four years thereafter. The term of office for mayor and council members shall begin on the first day of January next following the date of their election and shall continue until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. [ Council members serving on council who were elected in May 2014 shall have their terms of office shortened by six months but shall continue in office until their successors have been elected at the November general election and have been qualified to serve. ] All elections shall conform to the general State elections governing towns. Any person entitled to vote in the county of Southampton, and who has been a resident of said town for thirty days, and whose name has been properly registered on the town registration books, and who has otherwise complied with the laws of the State in regard to capitation tax, shall be entitled to vote at any and all elections held under this act of incorporation.

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

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