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SENATE BILL NO. 695

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A *BILL to amend Chapter 167 of the Acts of Assembly of 1979, which provided a charter for the City of Hampton, by adding a section numbered 3.01:2, relating to election of mayor.*

Patron—Locke

Referred to Committee on Local Government

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That Chapter 167 of the Acts of Assembly of 1979 is amended by adding a section numbered 3.01:2 as follows:

§ 3.01:2. Election of mayor.

No candidate for election to the office of mayor shall simultaneously run for election to any other position on the council.

In the event that a councilmember desires to be a candidate for mayor, the councilmember is eligible to do so but must tender his or her resignation as a councilmember at least ten days prior to the final date for filing petitions and notices of acceptance as specified by general law, with such resignation to be effective on June 30 of the election year. Such resignation shall state the councilmember's intention to be a candidate for mayor, require no formal acceptance by the remaining councilmembers, and be final and irrevocable as of the date it is tendered.

The vacancy resulting from any such resignation shall be filled for the remaining two-year term at the same succeeding general municipal election at which the office for mayor is filled. Such two-year term shall begin on the first day of July next following the date of such election.

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