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HOUSE BILL NO. 1269

House Amendments in [] — February 10, 1994

A BILL to postpone and reschedule certain town elections.

Patrons—Wilkins; Senator: Schewel

Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1.**

§ 1. *The provisions of this act shall be applicable, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, to any town (i) which has annexed territory subsequent to its preceding election for mayor and council, (ii) which has regularly scheduled elections for mayor and council on May 3, 1994, (iii) which has submitted the annexation plan to the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to § 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act, and (iv) which has not received a letter on or before [February 15 April 8] , 1994, from the Attorney General that he interposes no objection to the annexation plan and the conduct of elections for mayor and council pursuant to such plan.*

§ 2. *In each such town, the election for mayor and council shall be held on the first Tuesday (i) that is more than sixty days after the Attorney General of the United States issues a letter that he interposes no objection to the annexation plan and conduct of such elections pursuant to the plan; (ii) that is not the scheduled date of a June primary election; and (iii) that is not within the sixty days before or the thirty-five days after either a June primary election or a November general election.*

§ 3. *Independent candidates for such rescheduled election shall qualify in the manner provided by Article 2 (§ 24.2-505 et seq.) of Chapter 5 of Title 24.2 of the Code of Virginia and party nominees shall be nominated and certified at least thirty days before the new election date.*

§ 4. *All candidates shall file the statements required by Article 1 (§ 24.2-500 et seq.) of Chapter 5 of Title 24.2 at least thirty days before the new election date.*

§ 5. *The term of the mayor and council members elected under the provisions of this act shall commence on the first day of the second month following the election and shall terminate on the day on which the terms would have expired had the general election been held on its regularly scheduled day.*

§ 6. *The term of the mayor and council members of any town affected by this act that would otherwise have expired July 1, 1994, shall be extended until the date that the terms of the mayor and council members elected under this act commence.*

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

3. That the provisions of this act shall expire on July 1, 1995.

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