

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to require certain town mayors and council members to be elected at the time of the November*
3 *general election.*

4 [H 565]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: I. § 1. Election of mayor and council for**
7 **certain towns.**

8 *A. The qualified voters of each town of the Commonwealth whose 1990 population was more than*
9 *3,900 but less than 4,000 shall elect a mayor, if provided for by charter, and a council, which shall be*
10 *the governing body thereof, for their terms provided for by charter. Notwithstanding the provisions of*
11 *§ 24.2-222 or any other provision of law, general or special, any election of mayor or council members*
12 *of such a town shall take place on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November of an*
13 *even-numbered year, and the persons so elected shall enter upon the duties of their offices on the*
14 *January 1 succeeding their election and remain in office until their successors have qualified.*

15 *B. In any such town:*

16 *1. Any mayor or council member elected in 1992 for a four-year term, or in 1994 for a two-year*
17 *term, shall hold office until his successor has qualified. His successor shall be elected on the Tuesday*
18 *after the first Monday in November 1996 and, notwithstanding any charter provision to the contrary,*
19 *shall take office on the January 1 following his election.*

20 *2. Any mayor or council member elected in 1994 for a four-year term shall hold office until his*
21 *successor has qualified. His successor shall be elected on the Tuesday after the first Monday in*
22 *November 1998 and, notwithstanding any charter provision to the contrary, shall take office on January*
23 *1 following his election.*

24 *C. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 24.2-503, candidates for town mayor or council subject to the*
25 *provisions of this act shall file their written statements of financial interests and qualification pursuant*
26 *to §§ 24.2-501 and 24.2-502 not later than 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday in June.*

27 *D. Any county voting precinct established pursuant to § 24.2-307 which includes residents of such a*
28 *town shall be wholly contained within the boundaries of the town. No such voting precinct shall include*
29 *both such a town or portion thereof and county territory located outside the boundaries of the town.*

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

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