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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS28563 / S1111

~~This legislation establishes districts and will require election of city councilmen by districts in cities with population in excess of 100,000. Districts shall be established no later than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the 2023 city election. Prior legislation is being amended in response to the delay of the 2020 Census. Because of the delay in the U.S. Census information, it is necessary to delay implementation of city elections in cities with a population in excess of 100,000. Therefore, beginning with the city elections in 2023, all cities in excess of 100,000 will be required to elect city council members by districts.~~

RS28563A1 amends section 1 of S 1111 regarding the implementation of required districting in city elections for cities with a population over 100,000 as determined by the 2020 federal census by changing the length of terms of office in the 2023 election from 2 and 4 years to 1 year in odd numbered districts and 3 years in even numbered districts. It also adds 2024 as the first even-numbered year election for city council elections and establishes even-year elections for city council seats going forward for two or four years as appropriate under applicable law.

Additionally, section 2 amends the bill to establish even-year elections for city officials also beginning in 2024. The amendment includes a phased in implementation for the transition of cities holding elections at large by changing the term of city officials to the following:

-City officials elected in 2021 to 3 years.

-City officials elected in 2023 to 3 years.

-City officials elected in 2024 and all elections thereafter will serve a term of two or four years as applicable by law.

Amendments to section 4 specify that a city referendum, bond or levy will be held in even-numbered years beginning in 2024.

FISCAL NOTE

~~Minimal cost to cities is anticipated but may vary based upon the system by which each city chooses to draw district lines.~~

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

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