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HOUSE BILL NO. 892

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE CHIPMAN.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal sections 79.050 and 115.121, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to municipal elections.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 79.050 and 115.121, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 79.050 and 115.121, to read as follows:

79.050. 1. The following officers shall be elected by the qualified voters of the city, and shall hold office for the term of two years, except as otherwise provided in this section, and until their successors are elected and qualified, to wit: mayor and board of aldermen. The board of aldermen may provide by ordinance, after the approval of a majority of the voters voting at an election at which the issue is submitted, for the appointment of a collector and for the appointment of a chief of police, who shall perform all duties required of the marshal by law, and any other police officers found by the board of aldermen to be necessary for the good government of the city. The marshal or chief of police shall be twenty-one years of age or older. If the board of aldermen does not provide for the appointment of a chief of police and collector as provided by this section, a city marshal, who shall be twenty-one years of age or older, and collector shall be elected, and the board of aldermen may provide by ordinance that the same person may be elected marshal and collector, at the same election, and hold both offices and the board of aldermen may provide by ordinance for the election of city assessor, city attorney, city clerk and street commissioner, who shall hold their respective offices for a term of two years and until their successors shall be elected or appointed and qualified, except that the term of the city marshal shall be four years.

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

17 2. The board of aldermen may provide by ordinance, after the approval of a majority of
18 the voters voting thereon at the next municipal election at which the issue is submitted, that the
19 term of the collector shall be four years and the term of the mayor shall be two~~[, three,]~~ or four
20 years. Any person elected as collector after the passage of such an ordinance shall serve for a
21 term of four years and until his successor is elected and qualified. Any person elected as mayor
22 after the passage of such ordinance shall serve for a term of two~~[, three,]~~ or four years, as
23 provided, and until his successor is elected and qualified.

24 3. The board of aldermen may provide by ordinance that the term of the board of
25 aldermen shall be four years. Such ordinance shall be submitted by the board to the voters of the
26 city and shall take effect only upon the approval of a majority of the voters voting at an election
27 at which the issue is submitted. Any person elected to the board of aldermen after the passage
28 of such an ordinance shall serve for a term of four years and until his successor is elected and
29 qualified.

115.121. 1. The general election day shall be the first Tuesday after the first Monday in
2 November of even-numbered years.

3 2. The primary election day shall be the first Tuesday after the first Monday in August
4 of even-numbered years.

5 3. The election day for the election of political subdivision and special district officers
6 shall be the first Tuesday after the first Monday in ~~[April each year]~~ **November of even-**
7 **numbered years**, and shall be known as the general municipal election day.

8 4. **Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a municipality may**
9 **set no more than one term in office beginning after the effective date of this bill for either**
10 **one or three years, and thereafter shall comply with the municipal general election**
11 **requirement of two or four year terms. No term in office shall extend more than four**
12 **years.**

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