
HOUSE BILL No. 1499

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 36-1.5-4-27.

Synopsis: Local government reorganizations. Provides that a special election may be held on a referendum under the government modernization statutes if the reorganizing political subdivisions request the special election and agree to pay the costs of holding the special election.

Effective: Upon passage.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 36-1.5-4-27, AS AMENDED BY P.L.113-2010,
2 SECTION 111, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 27. (a) After the county
4 recorder of each county in which reorganizing political subdivisions are
5 located has notified the county election board that a public question on
6 a plan of reorganization is eligible to be placed on the ballot, the county
7 election board shall, **except as provided in subsection (b)**, place the
8 public question on the ballot in accordance with IC 3-10-9 on the first
9 regularly scheduled general election or municipal election (excluding
10 any primary elections) that will occur in all of the precincts of the
11 reorganizing political subdivisions at least sixty (60) days after the
12 required notices are received.

13 (b) **If a regularly scheduled general election or municipal**
14 **election (excluding any primary elections) will not be held in all of**
15 **the precincts of the reorganizing political subdivisions during the**
16 **first year in which the public question is eligible to be placed on the**
17 **ballot under this section and if the reorganizing political**



1 subdivisions request the public question to be placed on the ballot
2 at a special election, the public question shall be placed on the
3 ballot at a special election to be held on the first Tuesday after the
4 first Monday in November of the year. The certification must occur
5 not later than noon on August 1. However, a special election may
6 be held under this subsection only if the reorganizing political
7 subdivisions agree to pay the costs of holding the special election.
8 The county election board shall give notice under IC 5-3-1 of a
9 special election conducted under this subsection. A special election
10 conducted under this subsection is under the direction of the
11 county election board. The county election board shall take all
12 steps necessary to carry out the special election.

13 SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.

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