

SENATE BILL 2910

By Reeves

AN ACT to amend Chapter 272 of the Acts of 1901; as rewritten by Chapter 115 of the Private Acts of 2006; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the charter of the Town of Petersburg.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Article II, Sections 2 through 5 of Chapter 272 of the Acts of 1901, as rewritten by Chapter 115 of the Private Acts of 2006, and any other acts amendatory thereto, are amended by deleting the sections and substituting instead the following:

Section 2. Board Composition. The legislative powers of the town of Petersburg shall be exercised by and vested in the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of said town. The governing body of the town of Petersburg consists of five (5) Aldermen, each and all of whom shall be residents and qualified voters of the town. The Aldermen shall appoint one (1) of their own members as Mayor. The Mayor and four (4) remaining Alderman shall constitute and compose the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the town of Petersburg.

Section 3. Elections. Elections are held on the first Thursday in August of each even numbered year, and all current terms of office shall remain in place until their next scheduled election. Beginning with the elections held on August 6, 2020, the two (2) individuals receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected Aldermen for a term of four (4) years. Beginning with the elections held on August 4, 2022, the three (3) individuals receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected Aldermen for a term of four (4) years. Thereafter, all terms shall be for a period of four (4) years.

In the event of a tie among the aldermanic candidates, the tie shall be decided by a vote of the members of the certified elected board members at the first regularly scheduled meeting following the election.

Section 4. Term of Office. The terms of office established with the elections held on August 3, 2006, and August 7, 2008, shall continue to be four (4) years. Board members shall continue to hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified. Terms of office begin with the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board following the certification of the election results, except in the event of a tie as described in Article II, Section 3.

Section 5. Quorum. Three (3) Aldermen shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the Town of Petersburg. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.