



State of Tennessee
PRIVATE CHAPTER NO. 61

HOUSE BILL NO. 2994

By Representative Sherrell

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2981

By Senator Bowling

AN ACT to amend Chapter 320 of the Acts of 1901; as amended by Chapter 163 of the Private Acts of 1984 and Chapter 152 of the Private Acts of 2002; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the Town of Viola.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 320 of the Acts of 1901, as amended by Chapter 163 of the Private Acts of 1984, and Chapter 152 of the Private Acts of 2002, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 4 and substituting instead:

Section 4. Elections. Be it enacted, that the Warren County Election Commission shall conduct an election in the town of Viola on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November every four (4) years, with the first such election being held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the purpose of electing two (2) persons to serve as aldermen, and one (1) person to serve as mayor. All persons living in the limits of such corporation who would be qualified to vote for members of the general assembly of the state and persons owning real property in the bounds of such corporation which was assessed to them on the tax book for the county in January preceding the election shall be allowed to vote. The two (2) candidates receiving the greatest number of votes for alderman shall be declared as alderman, and the one (1) candidate receiving the highest number of votes for mayor shall be declared mayor. No person shall be eligible to the office of mayor or alderman unless such person is a citizen of, and resides in, the town of Viola, and is over twenty-one (21) years of age, and in case of death, removal, or resignation of any one (1) of the officers of such corporation, the mayor and aldermen shall have the power to fill such vacancies for the time unexpired.

SECTION 2. Chapter 320 of the Acts of 1901, as amended by Chapter 163 of the Private Acts of 1984, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 5(b) and substituting instead:

(b) It shall be the duty of the person so elected to meet at some convenient house in the town of Viola the next day after receiving their commissions, and after having been qualified, the Mayor and Aldermen, with the Mayor and at least one (1) Alderman constituting a quorum, shall proceed to elect a Vice-Mayor, Recorder, and Marshal for said corporation for the same time for which the Mayor and Aldermen were elected as aforesaid, and the persons elected by them shall serve until the first Wednesday of the month immediately following the election of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

SECTION 3. Chapter 320 of the Acts of 1901, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 14.

SECTION 4. Nothing in this act shall be construed as having the effect of removing any incumbent from office or abridging the term of any official prior to the end of the term for which such official was elected.

SECTION 5. 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 Viola. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the Town of Viola and certified to the secretary of state.

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SECTION 6. 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 5.

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PASSED: April 4, 2024



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 23rd day of April 2024



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR