

FINAL BILL REPORT

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Clarifying the timing of special elections.

Sponsors: House Committee on State Government (originally sponsored by Representative S. Hunt).

House Committee on State Government
Senate Committee on Government Operations & Security

Background:

Every general election is held throughout the state on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November. A city, town or district, or combination such jurisdictions, may hold a special election on one of several specified dates. The governing body of a county, city, town, or district must call for a special election by presenting a resolution to the county auditor by a specified time before the chosen election date.

The designated resolution deadline for the special elections scheduled for the second Tuesday in February and the fourth Tuesday in April is 45 days prior to each respective election.

Summary:

The deadline for presenting a resolution to the county auditor calling for a special election is 60 days before an election on the second Tuesday in February or the fourth Tuesday in April. The certification deadline for the February and April elections is 10 days before the date of the election.

Votes on Final Passage:

House	89	9
Senate	44	3

Effective: July 24, 2015

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