

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

# HOUSE BILL NO. 977

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Reported from the Committee on Elections March 9, 2006 with recommendation that House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 977 Do Pass by Consent. Referred to the Committee on Rules pursuant to Rule 25(26)(f).

Reported from the Committee on Rules March 14, 2006 with recommendation that House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 977 Do Pass by Consent.

Perfected by Consent March 29, 2006.

STEPHEN S. DAVIS, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To amend chapter 79, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to elective officers in certain cities of the fourth classification.

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

Section A. Chapter 79, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 79.051, to read as follows:

**79.051. Notwithstanding other provisions of this chapter to the contrary, in any city  
2 of the fourth classification with one thousand or fewer inhabitants, the board of aldermen  
3 may provide by ordinance that any wards created under section 79.060, shall be dissolved  
4 and that the board shall consist of four or five members as specified in the ordinance, to  
5 be elected by the registered voters of the city at large. At such election, the four or five  
6 persons, as specified in the ordinance, receiving the highest number of votes shall serve a  
7 term of two years and shall hold office until a successor is elected and qualified. The  
8 ordinance may provide for staggered terms for all members initially elected under this  
9 section, and may also provide for four-year terms under section 79.050.**

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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.