

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 134, Page 23, Section 115.352, Line 5, by
2 inserting immediately after said line the following:

3 "162.492. 1. In all urban districts containing the greater part of the population of a city
4 which has more than three hundred thousand inhabitants, the election authority of the city in which
5 the greater portion of the school district lies, and of the county if the district includes territory not
6 within the city limits, shall serve ex officio as a redistricting commission. The commission shall on
7 or before November 1, 2018, divide the school district into five subdistricts, all subdistricts being of
8 compact and contiguous territory and as nearly equal in the number of inhabitants as practicable and
9 thereafter the board shall redistrict the district into subdivisions as soon as practicable after each
10 United States decennial census. In establishing the subdistricts each member shall have one vote
11 and a majority vote of the total membership of the commission is required to make effective any
12 action of the commission.

13 2. School elections for the election of directors shall be held on municipal election days in
14 2014 and 2016. At the election in 2014, directors shall be elected to hold office until 2019 and until
15 their successors are elected and qualified. At the election in 2016, directors shall be elected until
16 2019 and until their successors are elected and qualified. Beginning in 2019, school elections for
17 the election of directors shall be held on the local election date as specified in the charter of a home
18 rule city with more than four hundred thousand inhabitants and located in more than one county.
19 Beginning at the election for school directors in 2019, the number of directors on the board shall be
20 reduced from nine to seven. Two directors shall be at-large directors and five directors shall
21 represent the subdistricts, with one director from each of the subdistricts. ~~[Directors shall serve a~~
22 ~~four-year term]~~ At the 2019 election, one of the at-large directors and the directors from subdistricts
23 one, three, and five shall be elected for a two-year term, and the other at-large director and the
24 directors from subdistricts two and four shall be elected for a four-year term. Thereafter, all seven
25 directors shall serve a four-year term. Directors shall serve until the next election and until their
26 successors, then elected, are duly qualified as provided in this section. In addition to other
27 qualifications prescribed by law, each member elected from a subdistrict shall be a resident of the
28 subdistrict from which he or she is elected. The subdistricts shall be numbered from one to five.
29 ~~[Each voter may vote for two candidates for at-large director and the two receiving the largest~~
30 ~~number of votes cast shall be elected.]~~

31 3. The five candidates, one from each of the subdistricts, who receive a plurality of the
32 votes cast by the voters of that subdistrict and the at-large candidates receiving a plurality of the at-
33 large votes shall be elected. The name of no candidate for nomination shall be printed on the ballot
34 unless the candidate has at least sixty days prior to the election filed a declaration of candidacy with
35 the secretary of the board of directors containing the signatures of at least two hundred fifty
36 registered voters who are residents of the subdistrict within which the candidate for nomination to a

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1 subdistrict office resides, and in case of at-large candidates the signatures of at least five hundred
2 registered voters. The election authority shall determine the validity of all signatures on
3 declarations of candidacy.

4 4. In any election either for at-large candidates or candidates elected by the voters of
5 subdistricts, if there are more than two candidates, a majority of the votes are not required to elect
6 but the candidate having a plurality of the votes [~~if there is only one office to be filled and the~~
7 ~~candidates having the highest number of votes, if more than one office is to be filled,~~] shall be
8 elected.

9 5. The names of all candidates shall appear upon the ballot without party designation and in
10 the order of the priority of the times of filing their petitions of nomination. No candidate may file
11 both at large and from a subdistrict and the names of all candidates shall appear only once on the
12 ballot, nor may any candidate file more than one declaration of candidacy. All declarations shall
13 designate the candidate's residence and whether the candidate is filing at large or from a subdistrict
14 and the numerical designation of the subdistrict or at-large area.

15 6. The provisions of all sections relating to seven-director school districts shall also apply to
16 and govern urban districts in cities of more than three hundred thousand inhabitants, to the extent
17 applicable and not in conflict with the provisions of those sections specifically relating to such
18 urban districts.

19 7. Vacancies which occur on the school board between the dates of election shall be filled
20 by special election if such vacancy happens more than six months prior to the time of holding an
21 election as provided in subsection 2 of this section. The state board of education shall order a
22 special election to fill such a vacancy. A letter from the commissioner of education, delivered by
23 certified mail to the election authority or authorities that would normally conduct an election for
24 school board members shall be the authority for the election authority or authorities to proceed with
25 election procedures. If a vacancy occurs less than six months prior to the time of holding an
26 election as provided in subsection 2 of this section, no special election shall occur and the vacancy
27 shall be filled at the next election day on which local elections are held as specified in the charter of
28 any home rule city with more than four hundred thousand inhabitants and located in more than one
29 county."; and
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31 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
32 accordingly.