

HB 2478 -- ELECTION DAYS

SPONSOR: Curtis

Currently, school board elections are held at specified election dates as determined by the designation and location of school districts. Beginning in 2020, this bill requires school board elections for seven director school districts, urban school districts, and school districts with subdistricts to be held during the November general election. For all existing school boards not holding an initial election the terms will be staggered and four years in length, as specified in the bill. Any member whose term ends in 2019 or any other odd-number year will serve until the election in the following even-numbered year.

This bill changes the date of the general municipal election day from its current April date to the general election day held each even numbered year on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. Municipalities may adjust their terms in office by making use of one term of one or three years after the effective date of the bill and thereafter being limited to the use of two and four year terms in office. Charter cities are exempt from the provisions of the bill.

This bill is the same as HB 1424 (2018) and similar to HB 892 (2017).