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Sixty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

Introduced by

Representative Headland

FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3016

A concurrent resolution requesting the Legislative Management to consider studying the desirability of moving city and other local elections from the primary election in June in even-numbered years to the general election in November in even-numbered years.

WHEREAS, city and other local elections are held on the second Tuesday in June in each even-numbered year; and

WHEREAS, primary elections for United States senators, member of the House of Representatives, members of the legislative assembly, elected state officials, judges of the supreme court and district courts, county officers, and county commissioners are held on the second Tuesday in June of every general election year; and

WHEREAS, general elections are held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year; and

WHEREAS, holding city and other local elections concurrently with primary elections may cause confusion; and

WHEREAS, newly elected city commission and city council members take office on the fourth Tuesday in June; and

WHEREAS, because city governing bodies must prepare preliminary budgets by September tenth, newly elected city commissioners and city council members have approximately two months after taking office to gain the knowledge necessary to prepare preliminary budgets;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Legislative Management consider studying the desirability of moving city and other local elections from the primary election in June in even-numbered years to the general election in November in even-numbered years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislative Management report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly.