EHB 2421

THE STATE SENATE
Monday, April 10, 2006

ENGROSSED

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An Act relating to cities and towns; amending 11 O.S. 2001, Section 13-111, which relates to municipal charters; clarifying notice procedures; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 2001, Section 13-111, is amended to read as follows:

Section 13-111. Amendments to a municipal charter may be proposed by:

1. An initiative petition, signed by a number of the registered voters residing in the municipality equal to at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the total number of votes cast at the preceding general election. Charter amendments proposed by initiative petition shall be governed in all respects by the provisions of Sections 15-101 through 15-110 of this title; or

2. A resolution of the municipal governing body. Notice of charter amendments proposed by resolution and the election on them shall be in the same manner provided for adoption of municipal charters as set forth in Sections 13-106 and 13-107 of this title,

(Bold face denotes Committee Amendments)

except that only the article that contains the proposed charter amendments needs to be published and considered pursuant to those sections.

If a majority of the votes cast in the election on the charter amendments, as certified by the secretary of the county election board, are in favor of adopting the proposed amendments to the charter, the charter shall be so amended, certified and authenticated by the mayor, and submitted to the Governor for his approval. The Governor shall approve the charter amendments if they are not in conflict with the Constitution and laws of Oklahoma. Upon his approval, the charter as amended shall become the organic law of the municipality and supersede any existing charter and all ordinances in conflict with it. The charter amendments shall be filed and recorded in the same manner provided for filing of municipal charters.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT, dated 4-3-06 - DO PASS.