

Amend CSHB 397 as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 16, after "certificates." insert "If the issuer is a county with a population of less than 100,000, the date of the first publication of notice under this section must be before the 14th day before the date tentatively set for the passage of the order authorizing issuance.".

(2) On page 1, line 22, after "certificates." insert "This subsection does not apply if the issuer is a county with a population of less than 100,000.".

(3) On page 2, line 14, after "appropriate." insert "If the issuer is a county with a population of less than 100,000, the minimum number of signatures required for a petition under Subsection (c) is a number equal to five percent of the number of votes cast for all candidates for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election held in the county.".

(4) On page 2, line 22, after "filled." insert "If the issuer is a county with a population of less than 100,000, the minimum number of signatures required for a petition under this subsection is a number equal to five percent of the number of votes cast for all candidates for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election held in the county.".