

1-1 By: King of Taylor (Senate Sponsor - Fraser) H.B. No. 2840
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 23, 2007;
1-3 April 24, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 3, 2007, reported favorably by
1-5 the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 0; May 3, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the requirements for a petition seeking an election to
1-9 abolish a municipality's corporate existence.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 62.002(a), Local Government Code, is
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 (a) The mayor of the municipality shall order an election on
1-14 the question of abolishing the municipality's corporate existence
1-15 if a petition requesting that the election be held is submitted to
1-16 the mayor and is signed by at least 400 qualified voters of the
1-17 municipality. However, if a majority of the qualified voters of the
1-18 municipality is less than 400, the petition must be signed by at
1-19 least two-thirds of the qualified voters of the municipality. If
1-20 the municipality has less than 400 qualified voters and has no
1-21 municipal debt and does not provide services that would be
1-22 otherwise provided by the county, the petition must be signed by at
1-23 least one-fourth of the ~~[50]~~ qualified voters in the municipality.

1-24 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-25 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-26 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-27 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-28 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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