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H.B. No. 1638

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to authorizing certain cities to change the date on which their general election for officers is held.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 41.0052(f), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(f) The governing body of a city with a population of 9,000 or less, located predominantly in a county that has a total area of less than 6,200 [~~4,800~~] square miles, that has adopted a council-manager form of government and that holds its general election for officers on a date other than the November uniform election date may, not later than December 31, 2026 [~~2024~~], change the date on which it holds its general election for officers to the November uniform election date. Subsections (b), (c), and (d) apply to the change of an election date under this subsection. This subsection expires January 1, 2027 [~~2025~~].

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2025.