

A bill for an act

relating to statutory cities; providing mechanisms for discharge of city charter commission; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 410.05, subdivision 5.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 410.05, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. **Discharge.** The charter commission of a statutory city may be discharged by any of the methods provided in this subdivision. Another commission may not be formed sooner than one year from the date of discharge.

(1) If the charter commission of a statutory city determines that a charter is not necessary or desirable, the commission may be discharged by a vote of three-fourths of its members. ~~Another commission may not be formed sooner than one year from the date of discharge.~~

(2) If a proposed charter has been presented to the voters pursuant to section 410.10 at a general or special election and if less than 25 percent of those voting on the question vote in favor of adopting the charter proposed by the commission, the charter commission is discharged.

(3) If a proposed charter has been presented to the voters pursuant to section 410.10 at a general or special election and if between 25 and 50 percent of those voting on the question vote in favor of adopting the charter proposed by the commission, the charter commission is discharged if a petition requesting discharge of the charter commission, signed by at least ten percent of the number of registered voters of the city, as shown by the returns of the last regular city election, or upon resolution of the governing body of the city requesting such action, is presented to the commission and the city clerk.