

A bill for an act
relating to statutory cities; providing a mechanism 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.** (a) A charter commission in a statutory city may be discharged
as follows:

(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; or

(2) if a petition signed by registered voters equal in number to at least five percent
of the registered voters in the city requesting a referendum to discharge the charter
commission is filed with the city clerk, an election must be held on the issue at a general
election or a special election pursuant to section 205.10. If a majority of the votes cast
support the referendum, the charter commission shall be discharged.

(b) Another commission may not be formed sooner than one year from the date of
discharge.