412.391 ABOLITION OF COMMISSION OR UTILITY TRANSFER.

Subdivision 1. **To council; procedure.** The public utilities commission of any statutory city may be abolished or its jurisdiction over any particular utility transferred to the council by following the procedure prescribed in this section.

Subd. 2. **Ballot question if abolition.** The council may, and upon petition therefor signed by voters equal in number to at least 15 percent of the electors voting at the last previous city election shall submit to the voters at a regular or special election the question of abolition of the public utilities commission. The question on the ballot shall be stated substantially as follows: "Shall the public utilities commission be abolished?"

Subd. 3. **Ballot question if transfer.** Upon like presentation of a petition for election on the question of transfer to the council of the jurisdiction of the commission over any one or more of the utilities previously placed under its jurisdiction, the council shall, in the same manner as under subdivision 2, submit the question to the voters. The question on the ballot shall be stated substantially as follows: "Shall jurisdiction over (Name of public utility) be transferred from the public utilities commission to the council?"

Subd. 4. **Time of effect.** If a majority of the votes cast on a proposition submitted to the voters under subdivision 2 or 3 is in the affirmative, the provisions of sections 412.331 to 412.381 shall cease to apply to the city, in the case of an election under subdivision 2, or to the particular utility mentioned in the proposition submitted to the voters, in the case of an election under subdivision 3. Such change shall take place 30 days after the election.

History: *1949 c 119 s 49; 1953 c 735 s 7; 1973 c 123 art 2 s 1 subd 2*