

SENATE BILL 2028
By Rochelle

AN ACT to amend Chapter 269 of the Private Acts of 1974, and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the charter of the Town of Hartsville.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 269 of the Private Acts of 1974, Article II, Section 2.01(d), is amended by deleting the last sentence of the first paragraph and substituting instead the following:

Any person who is a qualified voter for members of the general assembly under the laws of Tennessee and lives within the boundaries of Trousdale County and has been, for three (3) months immediately preceding the election; (1) a resident of such town, (2) in the case of annexation, a resident of such annexed territory, or (3) lives within the boundaries of Trousdale County and owns real property within such town excluding cemetery plots, may vote in such election and have his/her vote counted as cast. Married couples residing within the boundaries of Trousdale County for three (3) months immediately preceding any election and owning real property as tenants by the entirety within such town, may cast one vote, the designation of such vote to be determined by the tenants. This designated voting tenant and only this designated tenant shall represent their interests by voting once regardless of the number of parcels of land owned by the tenants within such town. The purpose of this paragraph is to allow all town of Hartsville property owners residing in Trousdale County equal and fair representation in all town elections.

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SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Hartsville. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the municipal governing body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 2.