SENATE BILL 1424
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HOUSE BILL 1400

By Farmer

AN ACT to amend Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1907; as amended and rewritten by Chapter 137 of the Private Acts of 1998; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the charter of the Town of Dandridge.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1907, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 137 of the Private Acts of 1998, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 4 in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

Section 4. Be it further enacted that the Mayor and Aldermen of the corporation shall each live within the limits thereof, and shall be qualified voters in said corporation. Any person is a qualified voter and may vote in any corporate election who is a legal voter for members of the General Assembly and who has resided within the corporate limits for a period of three (3) months previous to said election. On receiving their certificates of election, the Mayor and Aldermen shall go before the Clerk of the County Court of Jefferson County or some Magistrate thereof and make and subscribe to an oath to well, truly, impartially, and faithfully discharge the duties of their respective offices, which oaths shall be filed with the Recorder. Individuals living outside the Town of Dandridge who own real property consisting of a minimum value of five thousand dollars ($5,000), as determined by the appraised value assessed by the Jefferson County Property Assessor for the calendar year preceding said election, or a business within the corporate limits of the Town of Dandridge may vote in Dandridge municipal elections. Any dispute on eligibility will be taken to the Jefferson County Election Commission for final disposition.

The regular meetings of the Mayor and Aldermen shall be on the second Tuesday of each month, unless changed by ordinance or a special meeting is called as hereinafter provided.

SECTION 2. Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1907, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 137 of the Private Acts of 1998, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Section 7 by deleting the third sentence of the first paragraph and substituting instead the following:

The Town Administrator need not be a resident of the Town at the time of the Town Administrator's appointment but may reside outside the Town while in office only with the approval of the Board.

SECTION 3. Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1907, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 137 of the Private Acts of 1998, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is further amended in Section 7 by deleting the first sentence of the second paragraph and substituting instead the following:

The Town Administrator shall be the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town, responsible to the Board for the administration of all town affairs placed in the Town Administrator's charge by or under this Charter.

SECTION 4. Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1907, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 137 of the Private Acts of 1998, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is further amended in Section 7 by deleting subdivision (6) and substituting instead the following:

(6) Submit to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and make available to the public a complete report on the Town's finances and administrative activities of the Town as of the end of each fiscal year;

SECTION 5. Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1907, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 137 of the Private Acts of 1998, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 8 in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

Section 8. Be it further enacted that a Recorder shall be appointed by the Town Administrator.

The Recorder shall be present at all meetings of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the same, and perform such other duties as may be imposed on the Recorder by the Town Administrator.

SECTION 6. Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1907, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 137 of the Private Acts of 1998, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Section 11 by deleting the second sentence and substituting instead the following:

When any tax or duty shall be levied by the corporation upon any real estate within the town, the Town Administrator, by and with the consent of the Board, shall take such steps for the collection of such taxes as are provided by the State laws for the collection of taxes.

SECTION 7. Chapter 419 of the Acts of 1907, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 137 of the Private Acts of 1998, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Section 12 by deleting the following language:

Be it further enacted, that the Board shall have the management and control of the city finances and all property of the corporation, real, personal and mixed, and shall have the power by ordinance or resolution to:

and substituting instead the following:

Be it further enacted, that the Board shall have the management and control of the city finances and all property of the corporation, real, personal, and mixed, and shall have the power by ordinance or resolution, after two (2) readings by the board, to:

SECTION 8. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the Town of Dandridge. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the Town of Dandridge and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 9. 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 as provided in Section 8.