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CHAPTER 543.

AN ACT to create section 63.155 of the statutes, relating to increasing membership of councils in commission government in cities of the second or third class.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: 63.155 (1) Any city described in section 63.155 may, in the manner therein provided, vote on the question of changing from a mayor and two councilmen to a mayor and one alderman for each four thousand or major fraction thereof of population to be elected at large, the mayor to receive a salary of not to exceed thirty-six hundred dollars per annum and each alderman to receive a salary of not to exceed one hundred dollars per month. The question to be submitted shall be substantially as follows: "Shall the council of the city of.....be increased from a mayor and two councilmen to a mayor and one alderman for each four thousand or major fraction thereof of population in accordance with the provisions of section 63.155 of the statutes?"

(2) If a majority of the votes cast upon the question be in favor thereof there shall be elected at the election held as provided by law upon the first Tuesday of April next succeeding a mayor and one alderman for each four thousand or major fraction thereof of population all elected at large. Each such officer shall be nominated and elected in the manner provided by law for the nomination and election of candidates in cities other than those operating under this chapter. The aldermen first elected shall be divided as nearly as may be into two equal classes, one class to serve for one year and the other class to serve for two years from the third Tuesday of April following such election. Thereafter the term of each alderman elected for a full term shall be two years. The time of office of the mayor shall be two years. The mayor and aldermen shall hold office until the election and qualification of their respective successors.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Approved July 12, 1921.