

By Senator Peaden

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See HB

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the City of Pensacola,
3 Escambia County; amending section 4 of chapter
4 15425, Laws of Florida, 1931, as amended;
5 providing for clarification of the
6 qualifications for a candidate for election to
7 or appointment to fill a vacancy on the city
8 council; providing an effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
13 4 of chapter 15425, Laws of Florida, 1931, as amended by
14 subsequent Laws of Florida and ordinances of the City of
15 Pensacola, is amended to read:

16 Section 4. CREATION AND COMPOSITION OF CITY COUNCIL.--
17 (1) Establishment of city council and qualifications
18 of members.--

19 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, all
20 powers of the city shall be vested in a council of ten (10)
21 members. Seven (7) of these members shall be elected from
22 seven (7) single-member districts. Each candidate shall be a
23 resident and a registered ~~qualified~~ voter within the district
24 from which the candidate seeks to be elected for a period of
25 not less than six (6) months prior to the date the candidate
26 qualifies to run for office or, in the case of a candidate for
27 appointment to fill a vacancy in office, shall be a resident
28 and a registered voter within the district for a period of not
29 less than six (6) months prior to the date of appointment.

30 The remaining three (3) members of the city council, one of
31 whom shall be elected as mayor, shall be elected at large

1 throughout the city. Each candidate for election, or for
2 appointment to fill a vacancy in office,for one of the three
3 (3) at-large seats shall be a resident and a registered
4 ~~qualified~~ voter of the City of Pensacola, Florida, for the
5 aforesaid period.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
7 law.

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