

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES LOCAL BILL STAFF ANALYSIS**

**BILL #:** HB 1603

City of Pensacola

**SPONSOR(S):** Ford

**TIED BILLS:**

**IDEN./SIM. BILLS:**

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| <b>REFERENCE</b>                                 | <b>ACTION</b>   | <b>ANALYST</b> | <b>STAFF DIRECTOR</b> |
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| 1) <u>Committee on Urban &amp; Local Affairs</u> | <u>7 Y, 0 N</u> | <u>Fudge</u>   | <u>Kruse</u>          |
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**SUMMARY ANALYSIS**

This bill repeals obsolete provisions of the City of Pensacola charter and related special acts.

This bill is effective upon becoming law.

## FULL ANALYSIS

### I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

#### A. HOUSE PRINCIPLES ANALYSIS:

This bill does not appear to implicate any of the House principles.

#### B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

##### Current Situation

The City of Pensacola operates pursuant to a charter adopted in 1931.<sup>1</sup> Certain provisions in the charter have become obsolete or are governed by other provisions of law. The City would like to have these provisions removed to clean up its charter and bring it up to date.

##### Effect of Proposed Changes

This bill abolishes the city charter and related special act provisions relating to:

- acceptance of gifts<sup>2</sup>
- extraterritorial industrial plant projects<sup>3</sup>
- work periods for firefighters<sup>4</sup> and police officers<sup>5</sup>
- transportation for hire<sup>6</sup>
- gas and petroleum tax<sup>7</sup>
- honorary mayor<sup>8</sup>
- annexed districts<sup>9</sup>
- transportation regulation<sup>10</sup>
- employee group insurance<sup>11</sup>

#### C. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1: Repeals obsolete special acts related to the City of Pensacola charter.

Section 2: Provides an effective date of upon becoming law.

### II. NOTICE/REFERENDUM AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

#### A. NOTICE PUBLISHED? Yes No

IF YES, WHEN? January 7, 2007

WHERE? In the *Pensacola News Journal*, a daily newspaper published in Escambia County.

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<sup>1</sup> See ch. 15425, L.O.F.

<sup>2</sup> See ch. 24802, s. 6, L.O.F. This is now governed by ch. 112, F.S., and the City's code of ethics.

<sup>3</sup> See ch. 18779, ss. 1, 2, L.O.F.

<sup>4</sup> See ch. 31159, ss. 1, 2, L.O.F.; ch. 73-592, ss. 1,2, L.O.F. This is governed by the collective bargaining agreement.

<sup>5</sup> See ch. 24802, s. 1, L.O.F. This is governed by the collective bargaining agreement.

<sup>6</sup> See ch. 71-845, s. 1, L.O.F.

<sup>7</sup> See ch. 26462, s. 1, L.O.F.

<sup>8</sup> See ch. 57-1717, ss. 1, 2, L.O.F.

<sup>9</sup> See ch. 57-1721, s. 1, L.O.F.

<sup>10</sup> See ch. 24806, s. 1, L.O.F.

<sup>11</sup> See ch. 73-590, ss. 1, 2, L.O.F.

B. REFERENDUM(S) REQUIRED? Yes  No

IF YES, WHEN?

C. LOCAL BILL CERTIFICATION FILED? Yes, attached  No

D. ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FILED? Yes, attached  No

### III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

None.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

**Drafting Issues:**

The bill seeks repeal of ch. 26426, L.O.F., however, the correct reference is to ch. 26462, L.O.F.

D. STATEMENT OF THE SPONSOR

No statement submitted.

### IV. AMENDMENTS/COUNCIL SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

On March 21, 2007, the Committee on Urban and Local Affairs adopted an amendment that corrected a typographical error in the title and body of the bill.