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SECOND SESSION, 2018**

February 15, 2018

Mr. Speaker:

Your **CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

**HOUSE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ELECTIONS, LAND GRANTS AND
CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL 98, as amended**

has had it under consideration and reports same with the following recommendation:

1. The following house judiciary committee amendments be APPROVED:

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

2. The following senate rules committee amendments be DISAPPROVED:

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 12.

3. The following senate rules committee amendments be APPROVED:

Nos. 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 14.

and that the bill be amended further as follows:

4. On page 25, line 2, after the second occurrence of "elections", insert ", as provided by law, or municipal officer

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election if authorized by the governing body of the municipality;".

5. On page 45, lines 21 through 25, and page 46, lines 1 through 7, strike Subsection A in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following new subsections:

"A. All municipalities shall elect their municipal officers on the municipal officer election day, which is the first Tuesday in March of even-numbered years.

B. Except as provided in Subsection C of this section, any municipality may by ordinance opt in to the election of its municipal officers in the regular local election if the municipality passes an ordinance and files the ordinance with the secretary of state no later than January 30 of the year in which the next regular local election is scheduled. The ordinance shall also determine if the terms of office for current office holders will be lengthened or shortened to correspond with the new election date. A municipality that has passed an ordinance pursuant to this subsection may at any time rescind the ordinance opting in to the election of its municipal officers in the regular local election upon filing the rescission with the secretary of state no later than January 30 of the year in which the next regular local election is scheduled."

6. Reletter the succeeding subsections accordingly.

7. On page 47, line 1, after the period, insert "For a home rule municipality whose charter or ordinance requires that a candidate file a declaration of candidacy before qualifying for public financing, declarations of candidacy shall be filed on the date provided in the municipality's charter."

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Respectfully submitted,

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Adopted _____
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Not Adopted _____
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Date _____

