

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to provide for a special election relating to transition of a city to town status; sunset.*

3 [S 85]

4 Approved

5 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**6 **1.** *§ 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 41 (§ 15.2-4100 et seq.) of Title 15.2 of the Code of*
7 *Virginia, the circuit court for the City of Martinsville, prior to entering an order granting town status*
8 *pursuant to such chapter, shall first require an election to be held as provided in § 2.*9 *§ 2. The court shall require the regular election officers of the city, at the succeeding November*
10 *general election, to open a poll and take the sense of the qualified voters of the city on the question*
11 *submitted as hereinafter provided.*12 *§ 3. The regular election officers shall conduct the election as provided by general law, insofar as is*
13 *applicable. The ballot shall contain the following question:*14 *"Question: Shall the City of Martinsville become a town?"*15 *§ 4. The ballots shall be prepared, distributed, and voted, and the results of the election shall be*
16 *ascertained and certified, in the manner prescribed by § 24.2-684 of the Code of Virginia.*17 *§ 5. If it appears by the report certified by the secretary of the electoral board that a majority of the*
18 *qualified voters of the city voting on the question are in favor of the transition from city to town status,*
19 *the special court shall enter the order granting town status in accordance with the provisions of*
20 *Chapter 41 (§ 15.2-4100 et seq.) of Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia. All other provisions of such*
21 *chapter shall continue to be applicable.*22 **2. That the provisions of this act shall expire on July 1, 2026.**

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