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**NO FISCAL IMPACT**

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**TITLE:** CONCERNING THE TECHNICAL MODIFICATION OF SPECIFIED REQUIREMENTS AFFECTING THE PROCESS BY WHICH A PROPOSED HOME RULE CHARTER FOR A MUNICIPALITY IS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE VOTERS OF THE MUNICIPALITY.

### **Summary of Legislation**

The bill modifies three deadlines related to the activities of home rule charter commissions:

- The charter commission may hold its organizational meeting up to 20 days following the certification of its election, rather than 20 days following the date of election.
- The charter commission has 180 days, rather than 120 days, after its election to submit a proposed charter to the local governing body.
- The local government must hold an election on the charter within 185 days, rather than 120 days, after publication of a notice of election on the proposed home rule charter.

The bill takes effect September 1, 2011, if no referendum petition is filed.

### **Assessment**

This bill concerns deadlines that exist in current law and does not preclude any current conduct of local government. The extension of time for activities of charter commissions and local governments provides greater flexibility to local governments and is assessed as having no fiscal impact. State agencies are not involved in the administration of the modified deadlines.

### **Departments Contacted**

Local Affairs

State