

1.1 Senator moves to amend the delete-everything amendment (SCS2384A-8)
1.2 to S.F. No. 2384 as follows:

1.3 Page 74, after line 4, insert:

1.4 "Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205.07, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.5 Subdivision 1. **Date of election.** The municipal general election in each city shall be
1.6 held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in every even-numbered year.
1.7 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary and subject to the provisions of this
1.8 section, the governing body of a city of the first class may, by ordinance passed at a regular
1.9 meeting held at least 180 calendar days before the first day to file for candidacy in the next
1.10 municipal election, decide to hold the election on the first Tuesday after the first Monday
1.11 in November in either an even- or odd-numbered year. A city of the first class may hold
1.12 elections in either the even-numbered year or the odd-numbered year, but not both. When
1.13 a city of the first class changes its elections from one year to another, and does not provide
1.14 for the expiration of terms by ordinance, the term of an incumbent expiring at a time when
1.15 no municipal election is held in the months immediately prior to expiration is extended until
1.16 the date for taking office following the next scheduled municipal election. If the change
1.17 results in having three council members to be elected at a succeeding election, the two
1.18 individuals receiving the highest vote shall serve for terms of four years and the individual
1.19 receiving the third highest number of votes shall serve for a term of two years. To provide
1.20 an orderly transition to the odd or even year election plan, the governing body of the city
1.21 may adopt supplementary ordinances regulating initial elections and officers to be chosen
1.22 at the elections and shortening or lengthening the terms of incumbents and those elected at
1.23 the initial election. The term of office for the mayor may be either two or four years. The
1.24 term of office of council members is four years. Whenever the time of the municipal election
1.25 in a city of the first class is changed, the city clerk immediately shall notify in writing the
1.26 county auditor and secretary of state of the change of date. Thereafter the municipal general
1.27 election shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in each
1.28 odd-numbered or even-numbered year until the ordinance is revoked and notification of the
1.29 change is made. A municipal general election scheduled to be held in an odd-numbered
1.30 year may be postponed for inclement weather as provided in section 205.105.

1.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2025, and applies to elections
1.32 conducted on or after January 1, 2026.

Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205.07, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 1b. Cities with ranked choice voting. Notwithstanding subdivision 1 or any law to the contrary, a city with odd-year elections may continue to hold odd-year elections if, prior to July 1, 2025, the city has adopted ranked-choice voting as the method for conducting city elections. If the city discontinues the use ranked-choice voting for city elections, the city must transition to even-year elections as provided by this act.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025, and applies to elections conducted on or after January 1, 2026.

Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205.07, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Effect of ordinance; referendum. An ordinance changing the year of the municipal election in a city of the first class is effective 240 days after passage and publication or at a later date fixed in the ordinance. Within 180 days after passage and publication of the ordinance, a petition requesting a referendum on the ordinance may be filed with the city clerk. The petition shall be signed by eligible voters equal in number to ten percent of the total number of votes cast in the city at the last municipal general election. If the requisite petition is filed within the prescribed period, the ordinance shall not become effective until it is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question at a general or special election held on a date authorized by section 205.10, subdivision 3a. If the petition is filed, the governing body may reconsider its action in adopting the ordinance.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025, and applies to elections conducted on or after January 1, 2026."

Page 75, after line 21, insert:

"Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205A.03, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Resolution requiring primary in certain circumstances.** The school board of a school district may, by resolution adopted by April 15 of ~~any~~ an even-numbered year, decide to choose nominees for school board by a primary as provided in this section. The resolution, when adopted, is effective for all ensuing elections of board members in that school district until it is revoked. If the board decides to choose nominees by primary and if there are more than two candidates for a specified school board position or more than twice as many school board candidates as there are at-large school board positions available, the school district must hold a primary.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025, and applies to elections conducted on or after January 1, 2026.

Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205A.03, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Date.** The school district primary must be held on the second Tuesday in August in the year when the school district general election is held. The clerk shall give notice of the primary in the manner provided in section 205A.07. ~~The date of a school district primary held in an odd-numbered year may be postponed for inclement weather as provided in section 205A.055.~~

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025, and applies to elections conducted on or after January 1, 2026.

Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205A.04, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **School district general election.** The general election in each school district must be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of ~~either the odd-numbered or the~~ an even-numbered year. ~~A general election held in an odd-numbered year may be postponed for inclement weather as provided in section 205A.055.~~

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025, and applies to elections conducted on or after January 1, 2026.

Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205A.055, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Applicability.** This section applies to a ~~primary, special, or general~~ election held in a school district that is not held in conjunction with a state or federal election.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2025, and applies to elections conducted on or after January 1, 2026."

Page 81, after line 21, insert:

"Sec. 61. **TRANSITION; ODD-YEAR ELECTIONS.**

No later than January 1, 2026, the governing body of a city or school district with odd-year elections must adopt a plan for an orderly transition to an even-numbered year election as required by this article. The plan must be adopted by ordinance in the case of a city, or by ordinance or resolution in the case of a school district. The terms of office for elected officers of the city or school district may be lengthened or shortened by one year as part of the transition plan."

4.1 Page 82, delete section 55 and insert:

4.2 "Sec. 63. **REPEALER.**

4.3 (a) Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 206.57, subdivision 5b; and 209.06, are repealed.

4.4 (b) Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 205A.04, subdivision 3, is repealed.

4.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** Paragraph (b) is effective July 1, 2025, and applies to elections
4.6 conducted on or after January 1, 2026."

4.7 Renumber the sections in sequence