

1 SB68
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3 By Senator Ward
4 RFD: County and Municipal Government
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, Chapter 44 of Title 11,
9 Code of Alabama 1975, authorizes municipalities,
10 under certain conditions, to operate a commission
11 form of government composed of three commissioners
12 elected at-large in the municipality. No
13 municipalities are known to be operating under this
14 form of municipal government. Also, under existing
15 law, specific election procedures are provided for
16 any municipality operating under this form of
17 municipal government.

18 This bill would repeal these provisions
19 relating to the commission form of government. The
20 bill would authorize any municipality, should one
21 exist, operating under the commission form of
22 municipal government on the effective date of this
23 act to continue those operations under that form of
24 government and come under the mayor-council form of
25 government at the next election cycle.

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27 A BILL

1 TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT

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4 Relating to municipalities; to repeal Chapter 44 of
5 Title 11, Code of Alabama 1975, providing for the commission
6 form of municipal government, and Article 3 of Chapter 46 of
7 Title 11, Code of Alabama 1975, providing special election
8 procedures for the commission form of municipal government;
9 and to provide certain savings provisions under certain
10 conditions.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

12 Section 1. (a) Chapter 44 of Title 11, Code of
13 Alabama 1975, is repealed in its entirety.

14 (b) Article 3 of Chapter 46, commencing at Section
15 11-46-90, of Title 11, Code of Alabama 1975, is repealed in
16 its entirety.

17 Section 2. Any municipality operating under the
18 provisions of Chapter 44 of Title 11, Code of Alabama 1975, on
19 the effective date of this act may continue operations
20 pursuant to Chapter 44 of Title 11, Code of Alabama 1975, as
21 that law existed prior to the effective date of this act,
22 until the next municipal election cycle, and thereafter shall
23 operate under the provisions of Chapter 43 of Title 11, Code
24 of Alabama 1975.

25 Section 3. This act shall become effective
26 immediately following its passage and approval by the
27 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

