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received.

Sec. 6. Section 32-405, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

32-405 Any special election under the Election Act shall be held on the first Tuesday following the second Monday of the selected month unless otherwise specifically provided. No special election shall be held under the Election Act in April, May, June, October, November, or December of an even-numbered year unless it is held in conjunction with the statewide primary or general election. A special election for a Class III, IV, or V school district which is located in whole or in part in a county in which a city of the primary or metropolitan class is located may be held in conjunction with the primary or general election for a city of the primary or metropolitan class which is governed by a home rule charter.

Sec. 7. Section 32-525, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

32-525 (1) Except as provided in section 22-417 and except for counties which vote not to elect the county surveyor as provided in subsection (2) or (4) of this section, when there is a qualified surveyor within a county who will accept the effice of county surveyor if elected, a county surveyor on either a full-time or part-time basis, as determined by the county board in accordance with section 23-1901, shall be elected in each county having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants at the statewide general election in 1990 and each four years thereafter.

(2) (a) Except as provided in section 22-417 and in subsection (3) of this section, in each county having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, the question of electing a county surveyor in the county shall be submitted to the registered voters of the county at the statewide general election in 2020. The form of submission upon the ballot shall be as follows: For election of county surveyor; Against election of county surveyor.

(b) If a majority of the votes cast on the question are against the election of a county surveyor in such county, the office of county surveyor shall cease as an elected office with the expiration of the term of the incumbent or shall remain as it exists if no elected official holds that office. In such counties, the office shall be filled as provided in subsection (2) of section 23-1901.01.

(c) If a majority of the votes cast on the question are in favor of the election of a county surveyor, the office shall continue to be elected as provided in subsection (1) of this section or, if no elected county surveyor is in office, a county surveyor shall be elected at the next statewide general election as provided in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) If a county having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants has an elected county surveyor in office on January 1, 2020, the county board may, prior to February 1, 2020, following a public hearing, adopt a resolution to continue to elect the county surveyor for the county and not to submit the question pursuant to subsection (2) of this section.

(4) (a) Beginning in 2021, in each county having a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, the county board shall submit the question of electing a county surveyor in the county to the registered voters of the county at the next statewide general election if (i) the county board, by majority vote of all the members of the county board, adopts a resolution on or before September 1 prior to the next statewide general election to submit the question to the voters or (ii) a petition conforming to section 32-628 asking for the submission of the question to the voters is presented to the election commissioner or county clerk on or before September 1 prior to the next statewide general election signed by at least ten percent of the registered voters of the county. The election commissioner or county clerk shall verify the signatures pursuant to section 32-631 and place the question on the ballot if he or she determines that at least ten percent of the registered voters of the county have signed the petition.

(b) The form of submission upon the ballot shall be as follows: For election of county surveyor; Against election of county surveyor.

(c) If a majority of the votes cast on the question are against the election of a county surveyor in such county, the office of county surveyor shall cease as an elected office with the expiration of the term of the incumbent or shall remain as it exists if no elected official holds that office. In such counties, the office shall be filled as provided in subsection (2) of section 23-1901.01.

(d) If a majority of the votes cast on the question are in favor of the election of a county surveyor, the office shall continue to be elected as provided in subsection (1) of this section or, if no elected county surveyor

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