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[Health Service Board Terms And Elections]

CHARTER AMENDMENT

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Describing and setting forth a proposal to the qualified voters of the City and County of San Francisco to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco by amending Section 12.000, to shorten, on a one-time basis, the term of a one Health Service Board member from five years to three years, and the term of another Health Service Board member from five years to two years, so that Board terms will expire in pairs in the future and can be filled during the same Board election.

The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City and County, at an election to be held on November 2, 2010, a proposal to amend the Charter of the City and County by amending Section 12.200, to read as follows:

NOTE:

Additions are <u>single-underline italics Times New Roman</u>; deletions are <u>strike through italies Times New Roman</u>.

SEC. 12.200 HEALTH SERVICE BOARD.

There shall be a Health Service Board which shall consist of seven members as follows: one member of the Board of Supervisors, to be appointed by the President of the Board of Supervisors; the City Attorney or designated Deputy City Attorney, except that on May 15, 2005, the City Attorney's tenure on the Health Service Board shall expire and that seat shall be filled by a member elected from the active and retired members of the System from among their number; two members appointed by the Mayor pursuant to Section 3.100, one of whom shall be an individual who regularly consults in the health care field, and the other a doctor of medicine; and threefour members (in addition to the elected member assuming the seat vacated by the City Attorney) elected from the active and retired members of the System from among their number.

Elections shall be conducted by the Director of Elections in a manner prescribed by ordinance. *
Elected members need not reside within the City and County.

The terms of <u>Health Service Board</u> members, other than the ex officio members, shall be five years, and shall expire on May 15 of each year, with the exception that the term of the Board member that begins in May 2011 shall be three (3) years, and shall expire in May 2014, and the term of the Board member that begins in May 2013 term shall be two (2) years, and shall expire in May 2015.

A vacancy on the Board appointed by the Mayor shall be filled by the Mayor. A vacancy in an elective office on the Board shall be filled by a special election within 90 days after the vacancy occurs unless a regular election is to be held within six months after such vacancy shall have occurred.

The Health Service Board shall:

- 1. Establish and maintain detailed historical costs for medical and hospital care and conduct an annual review of such costs;
- 2. Apply benefits without special favor or privilege;
- 3. Put such plans as provided for in Section A8.422 into effect and conduct and administer the same and contract therefor and use the funds of the System;
- 4. Make rules and regulations for the administration of business of the Health Service System, the granting of exemptions and the admission to the System of persons who are hereby made members, and such other officers and employees as may voluntarily become members with the approval of the Board; and
- 5. Receive, consider and, within 60 days after receipt, act upon any matter pertaining to the policies of, or appeals from, the Health Service System submitted to it in writing by any member or any person who has contracted to render medical care to the members.

Except as otherwise specifically provided, the Health Service Board shall have the powers and duties and shall be subject to the limitations of Charter Sections 4.102, 4.103 and 4.104.

Subject to the requirements of state law and the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter, the Health Service Board may make provision for heath or dental benefits for residents of the City and County of San Francisco as provided in Section A8.421 of Appendix A of the Charter.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By:

ERIK A. RAPOPORT Deputy City Attorney

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

This Charter amendment will shorten, on a one-time basis, the term of a one Health Service Board member from five years to three years, and the term of another Health Service Board member from five years to two years, so that Board terms will expire in pairs in the future and can be filled during the same Board election.

Health Service Board Terms And Elections.

Existing Law

Under Charter section 12.200, four out of the seven Health Service Board members are elected for five-year terms. The terms are staggered over a five-year period with one Health Service Board member being elected in each election.

Amendments to Current Law

The proposed Charter amendment will shorten, on a one-time basis, the term of a one Health Service Board member from five years to three years, and the term of another Health Service Board member from five years to two years, so that Board terms will expire in pairs in the future and can be filled during the same Board election.

Background Information

Currently the Health Service System spends approximately \$75,000 per election, and this number has been increasing with each new election. By filling two Health Service Board seats in one election, the Health Service System will save approximately \$150,000 over a five-year period, or \$30,000 per year.

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June 16, 2010

Ms. Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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RE: File 100634% - Charter amendment consolidating the election cycle for members of the City's Health Service Board

Dear Ms. Calvillo,

Should the proposed Charter amendment be approved by the voters, in my opinion, it will reduce the cost of government by an estimated \$30,000 annually by consolidating the elections for members of the Health Service Board.

Currently, four of the seven members of the Health Service Board, which oversees the City's Health Service System's administration of health benefit plans for employees, are elected to five year terms with staggered expirations. The proposed amendment would shorten the terms of two members on a one-time basis such that terms will expire, and new members can be elected going forward, in pairs. This change will save the Health Service System the cost of two elections over the five year period, approximately \$150,000 in total or \$30,000 on an annual basis.

Sincerely,

Ben Rosenfield Controller

> Note: This analysis reflects our understanding of the proposal as of the date shown. At times further information is provided to us which may result in revisions being made to this analysis before the final Controller's statement appears in the Voter Information Pamphlet.