

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

# SENATE BILL NO. 487

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR STOUFFER.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 80.570, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to disincorporation of towns and villages.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 80.570, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted

2 in lieu thereof, to be known as section 80.570, to read as follows:

80.570. 1. The county governing body of each county shall have power to

2 disincorporate any town or village which they may have incorporated as provided  
3 in this section.

4 2. The county governing body shall order an election upon the question  
5 of disincorporation of a town or village upon petition of [one-half] **ten percent**  
6 of the voters of the town or village.

7 3. The county governing body shall give notice of the election by  
8 publication in a newspaper of general circulation published in the town or village  
9 or, if there is no such newspaper in the town or village, then in the newspaper in  
10 the county published nearest the town or village. The notice shall contain a copy  
11 of the petition and the names of the petitioners. No election on the question of  
12 disincorporation shall be held until the notice has been published for eight weeks  
13 successively.

14 4. The question shall be submitted in substantially the following form as  
15 the case may be:

16 Shall the town of ..... be dissolved?; or

17 Shall the village of ..... be dissolved?

18 5. Upon the affirmative vote of sixty percent of those persons voting on  
19 the question, the county governing body shall disincorporate the town or village.

**EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

20           6. Any county governing body may, in its discretion, on the application of  
21 any person or persons owning a tract of land containing five acres or more in a  
22 town or village, used only for agricultural purposes, to diminish the limits of such  
23 town or village by excluding any such tract of land from said corporate limits;  
24 provided, that such application shall be accompanied by a petition asking such  
25 change and signed by a majority of the voters in such town or village. And  
26 thereafter such tract of land so excluded shall not be deemed or held to be any  
27 part of such town or village.

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