

# SENATE AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Amend SCS/Senate Bill No. 731, Page 1, Section A, Line 3,

by inserting immediately after all of said line the following:

"79.130. 1. The style of the ordinances of the city shall be: "Be it ordained by the board of aldermen of the city of ....., as follows:" No ordinance shall be passed except by bill, and no bill shall become an ordinance unless on its final passage a majority of the members elected to the board of aldermen shall vote for it, and the ayes and nays be entered on the journal. Every proposed ordinance shall be introduced to the board of aldermen in writing and shall be read by title or in full two times prior to passage, both readings may occur at a single meeting of the board of aldermen. If the proposed ordinance is read by title only, copies of the proposed ordinance shall be made available for public inspection prior to the time the bill is under consideration by the board of aldermen. No bill shall become an ordinance until it shall have been signed by the mayor or person exercising the duties of the mayor's office, or shall have been passed over the mayor's veto, as herein provided.

2. The provisions of this section shall not apply to ordinances proposed or passed under section 79.135.

1           79.135. 1. Any proposed ordinance may be submitted to the  
2 board of aldermen by petition signed by at least ten percent of  
3 the registered voters voting for mayor at the last municipal  
4 election. The petition shall contain, in addition to the  
5 requisite number of valid signatures, the full text of the  
6 ordinance sought to be passed and a request that the ordinance be  
7 submitted to a vote of the people if not passed by the board of  
8 aldermen. Prior to distributing the petition for signatures, the  
9 proposed ordinance may be submitted to the city attorney for  
10 review. The city attorney may provide comments regarding the  
11 ordinance to the petitioners but shall return the comments no  
12 later than thirty calendar days of the request for review.

13           2. The signatures to the petition need not all be appended  
14 to one paper, but each signer shall add to his or her signature  
15 his or her place of residence, giving the street and number. One  
16 of the signers of each such paper shall make oath before an  
17 officer competent to administer oaths that the statements therein  
18 made are true as he or she believes and that each signature to  
19 the paper appended is the genuine signature of the person whose  
20 name it purports to be.

21           3. Within ten days from the date of filing such petition,  
22 the city clerk shall examine and ascertain whether the petition  
23 is signed by the requisite number of voters, and, if necessary,  
24 the board of aldermen shall allow the clerk extra help for such  
25 purpose. The clerk shall attach a certificate of examination to  
26 the petition. If by the clerk's certificate the petition is  
27 shown to be insufficient, the petition may be amended within ten  
28 days from the date of the issuance of the clerk's certificate.  
29 The clerk shall, within ten days after such amendment, make like

1 examination of the amended petition. If the second certificate  
2 shows the petition to be insufficient, the petition shall be  
3 returned to the person filing it, without prejudice to the filing  
4 of a new petition to the same effect. If the petition is deemed  
5 to be sufficient, the clerk shall submit it to the board of  
6 aldermen without delay.

7 4. Upon receipt of the petition and certificate from the  
8 clerk, the board of aldermen shall either:

9 (1) Pass said ordinance without alteration within twenty  
10 days after attachment of the clerk's certificate to the  
11 accompanying petition; or

12 (2) Submit the question without alteration to the voters at  
13 the next municipal election, or, if the petition has been signed  
14 by twenty five percent or more of the registered voters voting  
15 for mayor at the last municipal election, the board of aldermen  
16 shall immediately submit the question without alteration to the  
17 voters of the city.

18 5. The question shall be submitted in substantially the  
19 following form:

20 Shall the following ordinance be (adopted) (repealed)?

21 (Set out ordinance)

22 6. If a majority of the voters vote in favor thereof, such  
23 ordinance shall thereupon become a valid and binding ordinance of  
24 the city.

25 7. Any number of proposed ordinances may be voted upon at  
26 the same election, in accordance with the provisions of this  
27 section.

28 8. Any ordinance in effect that was proposed by petition  
29 cannot be repealed except by a vote of the people. The board of

1 aldermen may submit a proposition for the repeal of any such  
2 ordinance or for amendments thereto, to be voted upon at any  
3 municipal election; and should such proposition receive a  
4 majority of the votes cast thereon, such ordinance shall thereby  
5 be repealed or amended accordingly. The board of aldermen may  
6 amend an ordinance proposed by petition without a vote of the  
7 people, but the original purpose of the ordinance may not be  
8 changed by such amendment."; and

9 Further amend the title and enacting clause accordingly.