## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

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# LEGISLATIVE BILL 405

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Committee: Urban Affairs

### A BILL

- FOR AN ACT relating to cities of the metropolitan class; to amend
  sections 14-201 and 32-536, Reissue Revised Statutes
  of Nebraska, and section 14-201.03, Revised Statutes
  Cumulative Supplement, 2006; to provide for additional
  city council members; to harmonize provisions; and to
  repeal the original sections.
- Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 14-201, Reissue Revised Statutes of

- 2 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 3 14-201 In any city of the metropolitan class, seven nine
- 4 council members shall be elected to the city council as provided
- 5 in section 32-536. The general city election for the election of
- 6 elective officers of cities of the metropolitan class shall be held
- 7 on the first Tuesday after the second Monday in May 1993 and every
- 8 four years thereafter. The terms of office of such council members
- 9 shall commence on the fourth Monday after such election, except
- 10 that the initial terms of office after the effective date of this
- 11 act of the eighth and ninth council members shall commence upon
- 12 their appointment as provided in section 32-536.
- Sec. 2. Section 14-201.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 14 Supplement, 2006, is amended to read:
- 15 14-201.03 The (1) Until the election commissioner in any
- 16 county in which is situated a city of the metropolitan class shall
- 17 divide the city complies with subsection (2) of this section,
- 18 such city shall be divided into seven city council districts of
- 19 compact and contiguous territory. Such districts shall be numbered
- 20 consecutively from one to seven. One council member shall be
- 21 elected from each district. The city council shall be responsible
- 22 for redrawing the city council district boundaries pursuant to
- 23 section 32-553.
- 24 (2) Within ninety days after the effective date of this
- 25 act, the election commissioner in any county in which is situated

1 a city of the metropolitan class shall divide the city into nine

- 2 city council districts of compact and contiguous territory. Such
- 3 districts shall be numbered consecutively from one to nine. One
- 4 council member shall be elected from each district, except as
- 5 provided in section 32-536. The city council shall be responsible
- 6 for redrawing the city council district boundaries pursuant to
- 7 section 32-553.
- 8 Sec. 3. Section 32-536, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 9 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 10 32-536 (1) In a city of the metropolitan class in
- 11 existence on the effective date of this act, seven council members
- 12 shall be elected to the city council for terms of four years at
- 13 the general city election in 1993 pursuant to section 14-201. One
- 14 Within ninety days after the effective date of this act, an eighth
- 15 and a ninth council member shall be appointed by a majority vote
- 16 of the council members serving on such date and shall serve until
- 17 their successors are elected at the general city election in May
- 18 2009 and qualified.
- 19 (2) In any city of the metropolitan class which becomes
- 20 a city of such class on or after the effective date of this act,
- 21 <u>nine council members shall be elected to the city council pursuant</u>
- 22 to section 14-201 for terms of four years at the first general city
- 23 election after such city becomes a city of the metropolitan class
- 24 and each four years thereafter.
- 25 (3) In each city of the metropolitan class, one council

1 member shall be nominated and elected from each of the districts

- 2 into which the city is divided pursuant to section 14-201.03. The
- 3 council members shall meet the qualifications found in sections
- 4 14-204 and 14-230.
- 5 Sec. 4. Original sections 14-201 and 32-536, Reissue
- 6 Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 14-201.03, Revised
- 7 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2006, are repealed.