
OLR Bill Analysis

HB 7275

AN ACT CONCERNING BOARD OF EDUCATION VACANCIES.

SUMMARY

Under current law, if not otherwise specified by law, when a position on a town board or commission becomes vacant, the remaining members may appoint an individual to fill the position until the next election. If they do not do so within 30 days of the vacancy, the board of selectmen or town's chief executive authority may appoint an individual to fill the vacancy.

This bill specifies that the above rule applies to situations in which a special act, municipal charter, or home rule ordinance does not specify the procedure for filling vacancies. The bill also eliminates a provision specifying that the above rule does not apply if another law establishing a vacancy-filling procedure applies.

Lastly, the bill specifies that board of education vacancies must be filled as provided in statute (i.e., the remaining members appoint an individual to fill the vacancy until the next election, unless otherwise specified in charter or special act).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2019

COMMITTEE ACTION

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 16 Nay 5 (03/29/2019)