

## Legislation Text

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### **Fiscal Note**

No fiscal impact is anticipated.

### **Title**

Amending the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City and Dane County creating the City-County Health Department, with respect to absences and election of officers.

### **Body**

#### Background

The Board of Health for Madison and Dane County (BOHMDC) and the Department of Public Health for Madison and Dane County were created by an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Madison and Dane County dated November 20, 2007.

The BOHMDC is in the process of adopting Bylaws consistent with the IGA for governance of its operation. While drafting Bylaws, the BOHMDC has determined that two provisions of the IGA are not consistent with its effective governance and operation. Specifically, those provisions of the IGA are as follows:

Art. VI, Para. A (2)(c)(3)c which states that “The board member’s term shall be automatically terminated and a vacancy created upon his or her absence from three (3) consecutive meetings.”

Art. VI, Para. A(5) states that “By majority vote of members present the BOHMDC shall elect officers on an annual basis.”

The BOHMDC has adopted a Resolution requesting that the City of Madison and Dane County amend Art. VI, Para. A(2)(c)(3)c of the IGA to provide greater flexibility for dealing with absences and providing for excused absences. The BOHMDC further requests that Art. VI, Para A(5) be amended to provide that a majority of the members appointed to the BOHMDC elect officers on an annual basis.

This resolution makes the changes requested by the BOHMDC, except that it does not address the issue of excused absences, leaving that question for the BOHMDC to determine by rule or bylaw.

#### Resolution

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Madison authorizes an amendment to Art. VI, Para. A(2)(c)(3)c of the IGA, to state:

The chair of the Board shall report to the County Executive and Mayor each instance in which a member is absent without excuse from three of four consecutive meetings. The County Executive and Mayor shall take appropriate action to secure the attendance of such members including, in their discretion, requesting their resignation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Madison authorizes an amendment to Art. VI, Para. A(5) of the IGA, to state:

5. Officers. By majority vote of the members appointed, the BOHMDC shall elect officers on an annual basis.

Elected officials of the City and County may not serve as Board Officers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these amendments shall be effective upon adoption of resolutions of the City and the County, and the appropriate officers of each may then sign the amendments.