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Act No. M-12 (H.527). Municipal government; municipal charters; Town of East Montpelier; amendments; East Montpelier Fire District No. 1; merger

An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the Town of East Montpelier and to the merger of the Town and the East Montpelier Fire District No. 1

This act makes miscellaneous amendments to the charter of the Town of East Montpelier and merges the Town of East Montpelier and East Montpelier Fire District No. 1. Aside from amendments that are technical or stylistic in nature, this act includes the following substantive amendments:

- Abolishing the offices of Fence Viewer; Weigher of Coal; and Inspector of Lumber, Shingles, and Wood;
- Assigning the duties of Town Grand Juror, Town Agent, and Trustees of Public Funds to the Selectboard;
- Requiring the Selectboard to appoint an interim treasurer if a vacancy occurs in the office of the Town Treasurer;
- Requiring the Selectboard to appoint an Assistant Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, Collector of Current Taxes, and Collector of Delinquent Taxes;
- Providing that appointed officers serve one year terms;
- Requiring the Selectboard to appoint a selection committee to recommend candidates for the offices of Town Treasurer and Town Clerk; and
- Establishing a process for the approval and appointment of candidates for the offices of Town Treasurer and Town Clerk.

This act also merges the East Montpelier Fire District No. 1 into the Town of East Montpelier on July 1, 2017. On that date, the East Montpelier Fire District No. 1 shall cease to exist as a political entity or body corporate. The act provides transitional provisions in anticipation of the merger.

Effective Date: June 5, 2017.