

No. M-16. An act relating to amending the charter of the town of Hartford.

(H.539)

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. CHARTER APPROVAL

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 2645 of Title 17, the general assembly approves the amendment to the charter of the town of Hartford as provided in this act.

Sec. 2. 24 V.S.A. App. chapter 123A § 401(e) is amended to read:

(e) Charter review.

(1) The selectboard and school board ~~shall~~ may appoint a charter review committee of registered voters of the town to review its charter and recommend changes as the committee finds necessary or advisable for the purpose of improving the operation of the town and school district.

~~(2) The charter shall be reviewed not less than three years after its initial adoption and subsequently every five years unless amended by a town meeting vote.~~

~~(3)~~ The committee shall submit a written report of recommendations to the selectboard and school board not later than one year after the appointment of the committee.

~~(4)~~(3) Recommendations shall be warned for a vote at the next Australian ballot town meeting.

~~(5)~~(4) The selectboard and school board shall provide funds for the committee in their budgets for any year when a charter review committee is appointed.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect upon passage.

Approved: April 21, 2010