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House Bill 5706 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)

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House Committee: Local Government and Urban Policy Senate Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

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CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 199 of 1929, which governs community centers in villages and townships, to provide for a board of seven directors instead of six; allow a restructuring of the election cycle for the community center board of directors through a resolution; and delete a provision requiring the community center to be free to the use of the inhabitants where it is located.

Currently, if a village or township votes to establish a community center, the village or township governing body must appoint six directors. Under the bill, this would apply to boards established before the bill's effective date. The bill would require the governing body to appoint one additional director. Seven directors would have to be appointed for boards established on or after the bill's effective date.

Under the Act, appointed members must serve until their successors are elected at the next regular election, for one-, two-, or three-year terms. Annually, two members must be elected for three-year terms. Alternatively, under the bill, a governing body could by resolution provide that at the next regular election, and then every two years, there would be elected a community board of seven directors, who would hold office for two years or until their successors were elected and qualified.

If a village or township initially elected directors for three-year terms, its governing body could subsequently adopt a resolution providing for the election of directors every two years for two-year terms. The resolution would have to provide for the transition of the elective terms from three to two years, as follows:

- -- The offices of those directors whose terms first expired after the resolution was adopted would be filled at the next scheduled local, State, or Federal election by the election of that number of directors who would hold office for two years, and then every two years for two years or until their successors were elected and qualified.
- -- The offices of those directors whose terms next expired after the resolution was adopted would be filled in the year following the next scheduled election, by the election of that number of directors who would hold office for one year, and then every two years for two years or until their successors were elected and qualified.
- -- The offices of those directors whose terms last expired after the resolution was adopted would be filled as described above for those directors whose terms first expired.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State. The bill would reduce the expenditures and/or increase the revenues of some local units by an unknown amount. However, such fiscal changes would likely be minimal.

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