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H.B. 5952: FLOOR ANALYSIS

House Bill 5952 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Rick Johnson

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

CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 156 of 1851, which defines the powers and duties of county boards of commissioners, to require the chairperson of a county board of commissioners to be elected each odd-numbered year for a two-year term, unless the board required by resolution that the chairperson be elected annually for a one-year term. The vice-chairperson would have to be elected annually for a one-year term. Currently, a county board of commissioners at its first meeting in each year must choose a member as chairperson and one member as vice-chairperson.

The bill provides that the election of a chairperson or vice-chairperson would have to take place at the first meeting of the county board of commissioners in a year in which a chairperson or vice-chairperson, respectively, would be elected. The term of a chairperson or vice-chairperson would begin upon election. A resolution providing for a one-year term for a chairperson would not shorten the term of office of a sitting chairperson elected for a two-year term.

The bill would take effect January 1, 2001.

MCL 46.3 Legislative Analyst: N. Nagata

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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