CHAPTER NO. 77

HOUSE BILL NO. 2567

By Representative Buck

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2885

By Senator Burks

AN ACT to amend Chapter 325 of the Private Acts of 1945; as amended by Chapter 335 of the Private Acts of 1968; Chapter 282 of the Private Acts of 1972; Chapter 23 of the Private Acts of 1973; Chapter 93 of the Private Acts of 1983; Chapter 83 of the Private Acts of 1985; Chapter 218 of the Private Acts of 1990 and Chapter 90 of the Private Acts of 2000; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the charter of the City of Lafayette.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Chapter 325 of the Private Acts of 1945; as amended by Chapter 335 of the Private Acts of 1968; Chapter 282 of the Private Acts of 1972; Chapter 23 of the Private Acts of 1973; Chapter 93 of the Private Acts of 1983; Chapter 83 of the Private Acts of 1985; Chapter 218 of the Private Acts of 1990 and Chapter 90 of the Private Acts of 2000; and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the fourth (4th) paragraph of such section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

The Mayor and six (6) Council Members shall constitute the City Council. They shall be elected for four-year terms as hereinafter provided: The election shall be held in connection with the party primary in May. If there is no party primary in May of the election year, the election shall be held on the next Thursday after the fourth (4th) Monday. In the election of May 2002, three (3) Council members shall be elected for four-year terms. In May of 2004, the Mayor and three (3) Council members shall be elected for four-year terms. The incumbents in office as of this Act's effective date shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms and until they are elected or their successors are elected and qualified. The newly elected Mayor and Council members enter upon the duties of their offices at 10:00 a.m. on the last Thursday of May.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the City of Lafayette. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.

PASSED: February 14, 2002

HOME OF REPRESENTATIVES

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 20th day of February 2002

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