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SENATE BILL **238**

AN ACT establishing a committee to assess the form of government in towns that have elected the official ballot referendum form of meeting.

SPONSORS: Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Barnes, Jr., Dist 17; Rep. Copeland, Rock 13; Rep. Lockwood, Merr 6; Rep. Theberge, Coos 4

COMMITTEE: Public and Municipal Affairs

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to assess the form of government in towns that have elected the official ballot referendum form of meeting pursuant to RSA 40:13.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~].
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twelve

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 130:1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to assess the form of
2 government in towns that have elected the official ballot referendum form of meeting pursuant to
3 RSA 40:13.

4 130:2 Membership and Compensation.

5 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

6 (a) Two members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

7 (b) Five members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house
8 of representatives.

9 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to
10 the duties of the committee.

11 130:3 Duties. The committee shall examine the implementation and administration of the
12 official ballot referendum form of meeting pursuant to RSA 40:13 and make recommendations
13 relative to improving the process and enhancing flexible governance.

14 130:4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson
15 from among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named
16 house member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date
17 of this section. Four members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

18 130:5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
19 legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate
20 clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2012.

21 130:6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

22 Approved: June 5, 2012

23 Effective Date: June 5, 2012