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School Board Election Modifications

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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LONG TITLE

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General Description:

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This bill amends a provision relating to a local school board.

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Highlighted Provisions:

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This bill:

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▸ provides for modified terms for president or vice president of the board of a new local

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school district.

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Money Appropriated in this Bill:

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Other Special Clauses:

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Utah Code Sections Affected:

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AMENDS:

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53G-4-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 293

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

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Section 1. Section **53G-4-203** is amended to read:

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53G-4-203 . Election of officers -- Terms -- Time of election -- Removal of officers

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-- Quorum requirements.

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(1) [A] Except as provided in Subsection (6), a local school board shall elect a president and

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a vice president whose terms of office are for two years and until their successors are

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elected.

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(2) The elections shall be held during the first local school board meeting in January

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following a regular local school board election held in the district.

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(3) An officer appointed or elected by a local school board may be removed from office for

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cause by a vote of two-thirds of the local school board.

29 (4) When a vacancy occurs in the office of president or vice president of the local school
30 board for any reason, a replacement shall be elected for the unexpired term.

31 (5) Attendance of a simple majority of the local school board members constitutes a
32 quorum for the transaction of official business.

33 (6) In relation to a local school board of a new school district, the local school board may
34 set the initial terms of a president and vice president to be as follows:

35 (a) the remainder of the calendar year in which the president or vice president is sworn
36 in as a member of the local school board, plus one additional calendar year; or

37 (b) the remainder of the calendar year in which the president or vice president is sworn
38 in as a member of the local school board, plus three additional calendar years.

39 Section 2. **Effective Date.**

40 This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.