| 1 | MUNICIPAL ELECTION AMENDMENTS |
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| 2 | 2010 GENERAL SESSION |
| 3 | STATE OF UTAH |
| 4 | Chief Sponsor: Craig A. Frank |
| 5 | Senate Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson |
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| 7 | LONG TITLE |
| 8 | General Description: |
| 9 | This bill modifies the Election Code by amending provisions for early voting for certain |
| 10 | municipalities. |
| 11 | Highlighted Provisions: |
| 12 | This bill: |
| 13 | allows rather than requires a municipality of the fifth class or a town to provide |
| 14 | early voting for a municipal primary election or a municipal general election; and |
| 15 | makes technical changes. |
| 16 | Monies Appropriated in this Bill: |
| 17 | None |
| 18 | Other Special Clauses: |
| 19 | None |
| 20 | Utah Code Sections Affected: |
| 21 | AMENDS: |
| 22 | 20A-3-601, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 256 |
| 23 | 20A-3-605 , as enacted by Laws of Utah 2008, Chapter 360 |
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| 25 | Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah: |
| 26 | Section 1. Section 20A-3-601 is amended to read: |
| 27 | 20A-3-601. Early voting. |



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| 28 | (1) A person who is registered to vote may vote before the election date in accordance |
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| 29 | with this section. |
| 30 | (2) (a) The early voting period shall begin on the date that is 14 days before the date of |
| 31 | the election. |
| 32 | (b) Early voting shall continue through[: (i)] the Friday before the election if the |
| 33 | election date is a Tuesday[; or]. |
| 34 | [(ii) the date that is two regular business days before the date of the election if the |
| 35 | election date is a day other than Tuesday.] |
| 36 | (c) During the early voting period, the election officer: |
| 37 | (i) for <u>a</u> local special [elections,] <u>election</u> , a municipal primary [elections] <u>election</u> , and |
| 38 | <u>a</u> municipal general [elections] <u>election</u> : |
| 39 | (A) shall conduct early voting on a minimum of four days during each week of the |
| 40 | early voting period; and |
| 41 | (B) shall conduct early voting on the last day of the early voting period; and |
| 42 | (ii) for all other elections: |
| 43 | (A) shall conduct early voting on each weekday; and |
| 44 | (B) may elect to conduct early voting on [Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays] a Saturday, |
| 45 | Sunday, or holiday. |
| 46 | (3) Except as specifically provided in this Part 6, Early Voting, early voting shall be |
| 47 | administered according to the requirements of this title. |
| 48 | Section 2. Section 20A-3-605 is amended to read: |
| 49 | 20A-3-605. Exemption from early voting for a local district election Optional |
| 50 | early voting for fifth class municipality or town. |
| 51 | (1) This part does not apply to an election of a board member of a local district. |
| 52 | (2) Notwithstanding the requirements of Section 20A-3-601, a municipality of the fifth |
| 53 | class or a town as described in Section 10-2-301 may provide early voting as provided under |
| 54 | this part for: |
| 55 | (a) a municipal primary election; or |
| 56 | (b) a municipal general election. |

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State Impact

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Municipalities of the fifth class and towns may incur savings if they choose not to provide early voting for a municipal election.

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