

**Senate Bill No. 1434**

CHAPTER 352

An act relating to local government organization.

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SB 1434, Kelley. Local government organization: dissolutions.

Existing law, the Cortese-Knox Local Government Reorganization Act of 1985, establishes in each county a local agency formation commission with specified powers and duties with respect to the review and adoption of local agency changes of organization and reorganizations, as defined. After the conclusion of the hearing on a proposed change of organization or reorganization, the commission is required to adopt a resolution approving or disapproving the proposal and including certain determinations.

Existing law requires the local agency that is the authority conducting a change of organization or reorganization, in any resolution ordering a change of organization or reorganization subject to the confirmation of the voters, to call an election within designated territory, depending upon the change or organization or reorganization.

This bill would govern any proposal for a change of organization or reorganization submitted by specified water districts in San Diego County.

The bill would require that in any resolution ordering a change of organization or reorganization subject to the confirmation of the voters in prescribed circumstances, the conducting authority shall call that election within the territory of each district ordered to be formed or dissolved, and a reorganization involving the dissolution of two or more districts shall be confirmed by an election within the territory of the district ordered to be dissolved, or the reorganization shall be confirmed only by both a majority vote within the territory of any district proposed to be dissolved and a majority vote within the territory of all or any districts subject to the reorganization.

The bill would be repealed on January 1, 2002.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. This section shall govern any proposal for a change of organization or reorganization submitted by the Lakeside, Riverview, or Padre Dam Municipal Water District in the County of San Diego that involve one or more dissolutions.



(a) In any resolution ordering a change of organization or reorganization subject to the confirmation of the voters , if required because the conducting authority finds that a petition has been signed by the required percentage of landowners or voters pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 57081 of the Government Code, the conducting authority shall call that election within the territory of each district ordered to be formed or dissolved. An election called to confirm the reorganization shall be called, held, and conducted under one of the following conditions:

(1) Any dissolution that is part of the proposed reorganization shall be confirmed only if approved by a majority vote within the territory of the district proposed to be dissolved.

(2) The reorganization shall be confirmed only by both a majority vote within the territory of any district proposed to be dissolved and a majority vote within the territory of all or any other districts subject to the reorganization.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 57133 of the Government Code, and subject to Section 57134 of the Government Code, for proposals involving a dissolution that is governed by this section, the question or questions to be submitted at any special election or elections shall be in substantially the following form:

For each district dissolution: "Shall the order adopted on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, by the (Board of Supervisors of the County of \_\_\_\_\_, or other conducting authority) ordering the dissolution of the \_\_\_\_\_ district be confirmed?"

(c) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2002, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2002, deletes or extends that date.

SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution because of unique circumstances involving specified special districts in San Diego County.

