

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 451 of 1994

324.11906 Resolution authorizing execution of contract; publication and contents of notice of adoption; effective date of contract; referendum; special election not included in statutory or charter limitation; verification of signatures on petition; rejection of signatures; determining number of registered electors.

Sec. 11906. (1) A municipality desiring to enter into a contract under section 11902 or 11903 shall authorize, by resolution of its governing body, the execution of the contract. After the adoption of the resolution, if the full faith and credit of the municipality is pledged, a notice of the adoption of the resolution shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality. The notice shall state all of the following:

- (a) That the governing body has adopted a resolution authorizing execution of the contract.
- (b) The purpose and the expected cost of the contract to the municipality.
- (c) The source of payment for the municipality's contractual obligation.
- (d) The right of referendum on the contract.

(e) Other information the governing body determines to be necessary to adequately inform interested electors of the nature of the obligation.

(2) A contract pledging the full faith and credit may be executed and delivered by the municipality upon approval of its governing body without a vote of the electors on the contract, but the contract shall not become effective until the expiration of 45 days after the date of publication of the notice required by subsection (1). If, within the 45-day period, a petition requesting a referendum upon the contract, signed by not less than 5% or 15,000 of the registered electors residing within the limits of the municipality, whichever is less, is filed with the clerk of the municipality, the contract shall not become effective until approved by the vote of a majority of the electors of the municipality qualified to vote and voting at a general or special election.

(3) A special election called for pursuant to subsection (2) shall not be included in statutory or charter limitation as to the number of special elections to be called within a specified period of time. Signatures on the petition shall be verified by an elector under oath as the actual signatures of the electors whose names appear on the petition, and the clerk of the municipality shall have the same power to reject signatures as city clerks under section 25 of the home rule city act, Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1909, being section 117.25 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. The number of registered electors in a municipality shall be determined from the municipality's registration books.

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