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Senate Bills 516, 517, and 518 (as introduced 5-19-05)
Sponsor: Senator Jason E. Allen
Committee: Government Operations

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CONTENT

Senate Bills 516, 517, and 518 would amend the Home Rule Village Act, the Home Rule City Act, and the General Law Village Act, respectively, to allow villages and cities regulated by those Acts to provide for staggered terms for locally elected officials.

Senate Bill 516 specifies that, notwithstanding any charter provision, a home rule village could pass a resolution to provide for the terms of office of its elected officials and for the terms to be staggered. The initial terms could be longer than allowed under the charter in order to facilitate the staggering of terms.

Senate Bill 517 specifies that, notwithstanding any charter provision, a home rule city could provide by resolution for the terms of office and for staggered terms, including the providing of terms longer than allowed under the charter in order to facilitate the staggering of terms.

Senate Bill 518 specifies that, notwithstanding any other provision of the General Law Village Act, a village could provide by ordinance for staggered terms, including the providing of terms longer than allowed under the Act in order to facilitate the staggering of terms.

Proposed MCL 78.24d (S.B. 516)
Proposed MCL 117.3b (S.B. 517)
Proposed MCL 61.5a (S.B. 518)

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bills would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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