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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1562, L.D. 1670, Bill, "AN ACT to Provide More Public Accountability for Sewer and Sanitary Districts."

Amend the Bill in section ll in subsection l0 in the 2nd line (same in L.D.) by inserting after the underlined word "notes" the underlined words and punctuation '<u>for capital</u> improvement purposes, excluding notes payable within one year.

Further amend the Bill in section 11 in subsection 10 by striking out all of the last paragraph and inserting in its place the following:

'No debt may be incurred under the vote of the trustees until special district the expiration of 7 full days following the date of the/meeting.

the expiration of that period, a petition signed by at least 5%, but not less than 50, of the registered voters of the district is filed with the clerk of the district requesting reference of the vote of the trustees to referendum, the clerk of the district shall call and hold a special election of the voters of the district for the purpose of submitting to referendum vote a question of approving the vote of the trustees. The vote of the trustees shall be suspended until it has received approval by vote of a majority of the voters of the district voting on the question at the special election.'

Further amend the Bill by striking out all of section 12. Further amend the Bill by renumbering sections 13 to 15 to be sections 12 to 14.

## Statement of Fact

This amendment clarifies section 11 of the bill by specifying that trustee votes on bonds and notes, for capital improvement purposes, excluding notes payable within one year, are subject to the notice provisions. It also specifies that all of those trustee votes are subject to referendum petition. Finally, it deletes section 12 of the bill.

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