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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commission Members

FROM: Cliff Lippard *Cliff*
Executive Director

DATE: 4 May 2018

SUBJECT: Consolidation of Municipal Elections (Senate Bill 2146 and House Bill 2265)—Information Panel

Senate Bill 2146, House Bill 2265, would have required municipalities in Tennessee to change, by ordinance, the date of municipal elections to coincide with the August or November general election beginning in 2022. Terms of elected officials of the municipality would also have to be changed to coincide with the new election date. Incumbents' terms could be extended but only up to two years—they could not be shortened. The bill was sent to the Commission for study by the House Local Government Subcommittee. The Commission will hear from a panel of stakeholders who are knowledgeable regarding elections in Tennessee:

- Jill Burgin, Mayor, City of Brentwood
- Mark Goins, Tennessee Elections Coordinator, Office of the Tennessee Secretary of State
- Ron Littlefield, Senior Fellow with the Governing Institute and Lead Analyst on its City Accelerator Initiative, Principal—Littlefield Associates (invited)
- Chris Norman, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor and City Administrator, City of Dickson
- Phillip Warren, Wilson County Administrator of Elections and President, Tennessee Association of County Election Officials