

City of Columbus

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Legislation Text

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This Ordinance provides for the immediate certification to the Franklin County Board of Elections for placement on the ballot at the next ensuing election of Ordinance No. 3042-2014, which enacts an ordinance proposed by initiative petition entitled "Arena Bailouts Demand a Vote. To amend Section 2 of Ordinance #1596-2011, passed October 5, 2011, to prohibit appropriations for the purpose of financing Nationwide Arena effective January 1, 2016, absent a prior electoral vote in favor of such appropriations, and to repeal the existing Section 2 being amended." This action is necessary in order for the proposed ordinance to be considered by the electors as required under Columbus City Charter Section 44.

To order and provide for the submission to the electors at the next ensuing election of Ordinance No. 3042-2013, which enacts an ordinance proposed by initiative petition entitled "Arena Bailouts Demand a Vote. To amend Section 2 of Ordinance #1596-2011, passed October 5, 2011, to prohibit appropriations for the purpose of financing Nationwide Arena effective January 1, 2016, absent a prior electoral vote in favor of such appropriations, and to repeal the existing Section 2 being amended," and to declare an emergency.

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2013 an ordinance was submitted to the Columbus City Council by a petition signed by registered electors of the City of Columbus entitled "Arena Bailouts Demand a Vote. To amend Section 2 of Ordinance #1596-2011, passed October 5, 2011, to prohibit appropriations for the purpose of financing Nationwide Arena effective January 1, 2016, absent a prior electoral vote in favor of such appropriations, and to repeal the existing Section 2 being amended"; and

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2013 the City Clerk certified said petition and submitted the proposed ordinance numbered 3042-2013 to Council at its December 16, 2013 regular meeting where it was first read and assigned to the Rules and Reference Committee; and

WHEREAS, on January 6, 2014 this Council voted to reject Ordinance No. 3042-2013 as proposed; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Columbus City Charter Section 44, Council is required forthwith to order and provide for the submission of such proposed ordinance that has been rejected to a vote of the electors of the City at the next ensuing election to be held not less than sixty (60) nor more than one hundred twenty (120) days thereafter; or if no such election will be held, at the next ensuing election; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual and daily operation of the City in that it is necessary to certify this question to the Board of Elections immediately to ensure its submission to the electors at the next ensuing election; now therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That Ordinance No. 3042-2013, rejected January 6, 2014 by the City Council and entitled "Arena Bailouts Demand a Vote. To amend Section 2 of Ordinance #1596-2011, passed October 5, 2011, to prohibit appropriations for the purpose of financing Nationwide Arena effective January 1, 2016, absent a prior electoral vote in favor of such appropriations, and to repeal the existing Section 2 being amended" be and the same is hereby submitted to the electors of the City of Columbus, Ohio pursuant to Section 44 of the City Charter for their approval or rejection at the next ensuing election.

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Section 2. That the Clerk of this Council shall forthwith serve a certified copy of this Ordinance on the Franklin County, Ohio Board of Elections.

Section 3. That, should the Franklin County Board of Elections determine that the initiative petition is valid and sufficient in accordance with applicable Ohio law, the board is hereby authorized and requested to submit to the electors of the City of Columbus, Ohio the proposed ordinance at the next ensuing election conducted in accordance with and as provided by law.

Section 4. That the Franklin County Board of Elections is hereby requested to provide a separate ballot in accordance with Section 46 of the Charter of the City of Columbus, Ohio to be submitted to said electors, stating the title of the Ordinance, and below it the two propositions, "For the Ordinance" and "Against the Ordinance."

Section 5. That for the reasons set forth in the preamble hereto, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference, this measure is hereby deemed to be an emergency measure and the same shall take effect and be in force from and immediately after its passage and signature by the Mayor or within ten (10) days thereafter in the Mayor neither signs nor vetoes the same.