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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections

A bill for an act

relating to elections; providing for establishment of single-member school board election districts in Independent School District No. 271, Bloomington.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

**Section 1. BLOOMINGTON SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICTS.**

Subdivision 1. **Election.** The school board of Independent School District No. 271, Bloomington, must divide the school district into four single-member election districts, from which one board member each must be elected. Three additional members must be elected at large.

Subd. 2. **Election district boundaries.** Each election district must be as equal in population as practicable and must be composed of compact, contiguous territory. The district may use the most recent federal decennial census figures available or may conduct a special census for this purpose. The board must designate each election district by number.

Subd. 3. **Board elections.** The board must specify the election districts from which vacancies shall be filled as they occur until four board members represent an election district. A candidate for school board in a subsequent election must file an affidavit of candidacy to be elected as a school board member for the election district in which the candidate resides, unless the candidate is filing for one of the at-large seats. Each board member who files for election from an election district must be a resident of that district but the creation of an election district or a change in election district boundaries does not disqualify a board member from serving for the remainder of a term.

**Sec. 2. LOCAL APPROVAL.**

2.1 Section 1 is effective the day after the governing body of Independent School  
2.2 District No. 271, Bloomington, and its chief clerical officer comply with Minnesota  
2.3 Statutes, section 645.021, subdivisions 2 and 3. If local approval has not been completed  
2.4 by July 1, 2010, the governing body shall submit the question of approval to the voters of  
2.5 the school district at the 2010 general election. The question submitted must be: "Shall  
2.6 Independent School District No. 271, Bloomington, be divided into four election districts,  
2.7 from which one member each must be elected, with three additional members elected at  
2.8 large?" If approved by a majority of the voters voting on the question, section 1 is effective  
2.9 the day after the canvassing board certifies the result of the election.