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Provides for the Hibbing public utilities commission to have five members instead of three. Establishes staggering of the two additional members' terms. Provides for the commission to elect a member to serve as chair of the commission at the April meeting and to serve for no more than two consecutive years. Updates language. Effective upon local approval.

Other cities that have gotten special legislation to increase their utilities commission membership include Grand Rapids in 1999 (ch. 195), Delano in 2002 (ch. 238), Shakopee in 2002 (ch. 226), and Nashwauk in 2008 (ch. 183).