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Overview

Any city with a population of 2,000 or more, excluding cities of the first class, having a fire department consisting of two or more regularly employed and paid firefighters, may establish a firefighters' civil service commission by ordinance. This bill modifies provisions governing a commission.

Section

- **1 Membership; duties; terms.** Requires vacancies in a police and firefighters' civil service commission to be filled by appointment within 90 days, increased from 30 days.
- 2 Meetings. Allows a commission to determine when to select officers and where to meet by striking the requirement for selection of officers at the meeting held on the first Monday in February of each year and the requirement that the commission meet at city hall.
- **3 Certain acts misdemeanors.** Strikes the provision that donations to or solicitations for any political party or political purpose is a misdemeanor. This section dates back to 1929.