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SENATE, No. 86

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JANUARY 25, 1960

By Senators FOX, LANCE and CRANE

Referred to Committee on State, County and Municipal Government

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9 voters of the municipality in the same manner as other public questions to
10 be voted upon by the voters of a single municipality.

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The purpose of this amendment is to require submission of questions as a result of petition and referendum on reversion to previous form of government, to the public at a regular municipal election or a regular general election, obviating costly special elections which produce minority participation by the voting public. This amendment if approved will make uniform all requirements for submission of questions under the "Optional Municipal Charter Law."

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