



# Legislative Branch

RL Number: 24-74
Date Submitted: _____

City Clerk, City Hall, Binghamton, NY 13901 607-772-7005

## REQUEST FOR LEGISLATION

Requests for Legislation (RLs) may be submitted to the City Clerk's Office for possible consideration at City Council Work Sessions. Incomplete/incorrect RLs will be returned to applicant for revisions. Please include as much supplemental material as is necessary to substantiate the request for legislation. Use "Additional Presenters" line to include anyone that will appear to present this in City Council Work Session.

### Applicant Presenting RL at Work Session

Michael Dundon	7th District Councilmember	607-772-7234
(Print Name)	(Title)	(Phone number)

(Additional Presenters)

Proposed Title:

### To Be Completed By Applicant

Amendment to Charter Section 26-9 to clarify legislative signout process

Executive Summary (Explain why legislation is necessary):

Change section to read "Any formal legislation signed out of committee by a majority of committee members, or a majority of members of the Council, shall be first read legislation at one of the next two regular business meetings or a special business meeting for that purpose held within the same timeframe."

Effective Date: (if applicable) 04/24/2024

Budget transfer or amendment: RL Budget Transfer Worksheet **must** be attached w/ Dep. Head signature.

RL related to a grant: RL Grant Worksheet **must** be attached.

RL related to previously adopted legislation: Perm. number 23-64, adoption date 03/29/2023

Contract: Person/Company N/A

Total Cost N/A Funds available in Budget Line N/A Title N/A

Public Hearing required? Yes  Not Applicable  SEQRA required? Yes  Not Applicable

Additional information related to this RL attached? Yes  No

Expedition requested for this RL? Yes  No

Please explain why expedition is necessary:

Clarifying this process will allow legislation to be drafted professionally within a reasonable timeframe

**§ 26-8. Council member sponsoring legislation to move for formal adoption.**

The sponsoring Council member must move for formal adoption of his or her legislation on the Council floor.

**§ 26-9. Discharge of legislation from committee. [Amended 5-15-1997 by Ord. No. 72-97; 8-4-2003 by Ord. No. 03-93; 4-5-2017 by Ord. No. 17-26; Amended 3-29-2023 by Ord. No. 23-64]**

- A. Any formal legislation signed out of committee by a majority of committee members, or a majority of the members of the Council, shall be first read legislation at the next regular meeting or special meeting called for that purpose.
- B. Any legislation that has been returned to committee, after first read, will automatically be returned to the assigned Council floor for a second reading at the next regular business meeting or special business called for that purpose, unless one or more Council members removes his or her name from the legislation and, as a result, there is no longer a majority of committee members or a majority of Council members who signed the legislation; in which event the legislation will be returned to committee. [Amended 8-21-2006]
- C. All second read legislation having and maintaining adequate sponsorship of Council, either signed out of committee by a majority of committee members, or a majority of the members of Council, must be voted upon during second reading.

**§ 26-10. Legislation carry-over.**

All requests for legislation, Ordinances, Local Laws and Resolutions introduced for consideration by the Council and not acted upon before the end of the year in which said request for legislation or legislation was introduced shall be deemed withdrawn, and in order for such request for legislation, Ordinance, Local Law or Resolution to be considered the following year, such request for legislation or legislation shall be carried over by the request of any member of Council.

**§ 26-11. Amendments to legislation [Amended 4-5-2017 by Ord. No. 17-26].**

- A. All amendments to legislation which are deemed in violation of the law shall be deemed out of order.
- B. All amendments to legislation shall be made (i) at a regular or special meeting or (ii) in writing prior to said meeting and copies of same shall be provided to all members of Council, the City Clerk, and Corporation Counsel.
- C. All amendments to legislation may be referred, delayed or otherwise disposed of without delay or prejudice to the legislation itself.

**ARTICLE V, Salaries of Council Members [Adopted 10-5-1970 (Sub-Part XVII of the 1970 Code); amended in its entirety by L.L. No. 2-1988]**

**§ 26-12. Annual salary. [Amended by L.L. No. 4-1990; Amended 11-17-2003 by O03-120; Amended 11-19-2014 by O14-61; Amended 9-9-2021 by O21-93]**

- A. From January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021, the annual salary of each of the members of the Common Council of the City of Binghamton shall be \$10,160.
- B. In the absence of further legislation amending said annual salaries, starting January 1, 2020, the annual salary shall be increased by the average upstate New York consumer price index (CPI) as