

§2305. Terms; vacancies; restrictions

1. Length of term. School committee members shall be elected for staggered 3-year terms or, in municipalities with biennial elections, 4-year terms.

[PL 1981, c. 693, §§5, 8 (NEW).]

2. Commencement of term. The term of newly elected school board members shall start as determined under section 1003.

[PL 1981, c. 693, §§5, 8 (NEW).]

3. Vacancy. A vacancy on a school committee shall be declared:

A. When the term of office of a member expires; [PL 1981, c. 693, §§5, 8 (NEW).]

B. When a member changes residency from the municipality or subdistrict from which elected. Evidence that an individual is registered to vote in a municipality is prima facie evidence of that individual's residency; [PL 1981, c. 693, §§5, 8 (NEW).]

C. On the death of a member; [PL 1987, c. 866, §4 (AMD).]

D. When a member resigns; or [PL 1987, c. 866, §4 (AMD).]

E. Except in municipalities having a municipal charter, when a member is absent without excuse from 3 consecutive regular committee meetings, the committee may declare that a vacancy exists.

[PL 1987, c. 866, §5 (NEW).]

[PL 1987, c. 866, §§4, 5 (AMD).]

4. Filling a vacancy. A vacancy may be filled:

A. By the school committee within 30 days. The term of a member appointed by the school committee to fill a vacancy shall expire at the next annual meeting; or [PL 1983, c. 485, §19 (AMD).]

B. Whenever the remaining members of the school committee fail to appoint a person to fill a vacancy, by election at a town meeting called for the purpose. [PL 1983, c. 806, §25 (AMD).]

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SECTION HISTORY

PL 1981, c. 693, §§5, 8 (NEW). PL 1983, c. 485, §19 (AMD). PL 1983, c. 806, §25 (AMD). PL 1987, c. 866, §§4, 5 (AMD).

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