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Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting the following:

‘Sec. 1. P&SL 2011, c. 6, §4, sub-§3, 2nd blocked ¶ is amended to read:

When the term of office of a trustee expires, the trustee's successor is elected by a plurality vote of the voters of the Town of Madison or the Town of Anson, as applicable. For the purpose of election, a special election must be called and held on the date established by the trustees. The election must be called by the trustees of the district in the same manner as town meetings are called and, for this purpose, the trustees are vested with the powers of municipal officers of towns. ~~A vacancy is filled in the same manner for the unexpired term by a special election called by the trustees of the district.~~The trustees may call a special election to fill a vacancy for an unexpired term in the same manner as special elections are called for expired terms pursuant to this paragraph, or the trustees may appoint a person eligible to fill the vacancy. The person must be recommended by the trustees of the district from the town in which the vacancy occurs and shall fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting of that town, at which time the vacancy must be filled by special election.’

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill and allows the trustees of the Anson and Madison Water District, in the event of a vacancy on the board of trustees, to appoint a person who is recommended by the trustees of the district from the town in which the vacancy occurs to fill the vacancy until the next annual meeting of that town. As with the bill, the amendment also provides the trustees the option of calling a special election to fill a vacancy on the board.