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1. AB 931 (Boerner Horvath) Local Boards and Commissions: Representation: Appointments. ([Full Bill Text Here](#))

Bill Summary:

This bill would require cities, with populations over 50,000, to have all nonelected local boards and commissions be comprised of a specified minimum number of women based on the total number of board members or commissioners.

Bill Description:

On and after January 1, 2030 local boards and commissions of a city with a population of 50,000 or greater, with appointed members, must have boards and commissions with the following specifications.

- If the board is comprised of five or more members or commissioners, then the board shall be made up of 50 percent women board members or commissioners.
- If the board is comprised of four or fewer members or commissioners, then the board shall have a minimum of one woman board member or commissioner.

“Woman” means an individual who self-identifies her gender as a woman, without regard to the individual’s designated sex at birth.

The measure states that the nature of this bill is a matter of statewide concern and applies to all cities, including charter cities.

Assembly Members Burke, Carrillo, Friedman, Gloria, McCarty, Petrie-Norris, Quirk-Silva, Luz Rivas, Blanca Rubio, Smith, Wicks, and Senator Skinner coauthor the measure.

EXISTING LAW:

For context, existing law establishes various boards, commissions, and task forces within the state government. In making appointments to state boards and commissions, the Governor and every other appointing authority shall be responsible for nominating a variety of persons of different backgrounds, abilities, interests, and opinions. However, according to Article 10, Section 11141 of the Government Code, *it is not the intent of the Legislature that formulas or specific ratios be utilized in complying with this provision.*

Existing law requires each legislative body of a local agency to prepare an appointments list of all regular and ongoing boards, commissions, and committees that are appointed by that legislative body and to make this list available to the public. This

