

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM ON HOME RULE CHARTER STUDY COMMISSION IN THE CITY OF BRADFORD

City of Bradford electors, by ordinance 3300, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BRADFORD, MCKEAN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, PLACING A GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMISSION QUESTION ON THE 2025 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT AND DESIGNATING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON SAID COMMISSION TO BE SEVEN, will have a ballot question placed before them in the November 4th, 2025 general election. Electors will be asked to vote on a Home Rule Government Study Commission, consisting of seven (7) members to study the existing form of government, consider the advisability of the adoption of a home rule charter and, if advisable, to draft and to recommend, through another ballot question, a home rule charter. If this question is approved by a majority of those voting AND seven (7) Government Study Commissioners are elected, a Government Study Commission will be formed, whose functions and duties shall be to:

1. Study the form of government of the City of Bradford.
2. Compare it with other available forms under the laws of Pennsylvania.
3. Determine whether, in its judgement, the government of the municipality could be strengthened or made more clearly responsible or accountable to the people.
4. Determine whether its operation could become more economical or efficient under a changed form of government.
5. Hold one or more public hearings to generally provide for the widest possible public information and discussion respecting the purposes and progress of its work.
6. Report its findings and recommendations to the citizens of the City of Bradford.