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1 A proposal to revise
2 ARTICLE VIII, s. 2, Fla. Const.; providing
3 methods for the creation, abolition, and merger
4 of municipalities.

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6 It is proposed by the Florida Constitution Revision Commission
7 that:

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9 Section 1. Section 2 of Article VIII of the Florida
10 Constitution is revised by amending that section to read:

11 ARTICLE VIII

12 LOCAL GOVERNMENT

13 SECTION 2. Municipalities.--

14 (a) ESTABLISHMENT. Municipalities may be established
15 by special law, or abolished only upon an affirmative vote of
16 the electorate of the municipality and their charters amended
17 pursuant to general ~~or special~~ law. When any municipality is
18 abolished, provision shall be made for the protection of its
19 creditors.

20 (b) POWERS. Municipalities shall have governmental,
21 corporate and proprietary powers to enable them to conduct
22 municipal government, perform municipal functions and render
23 municipal services, and may exercise any power for municipal
24 purposes except as otherwise provided by law. Each municipal
25 legislative body shall be elective.

26 (c) ANNEXATION. Municipal annexation of
27 unincorporated territory, merger of municipalities pursuant to
28 the provisions of municipal charters, and exercise of
29 extra-territorial powers by municipalities shall be as
30 provided by general or special law.

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