

The New N.Y. Government Reorganization and Citizen Empowerment Act

Elector Initiated Dissolution

10% or 5,000 Electors in Local Government Entity Sign and File Petitions Seeking Dissolution*



Clerk Determines Petitions Properly Filed



Referendum Resolution & Notice Issued



Referendum Held



Voters Approve



Governing Bodies Develops Proposed Elector Initiated Dissolution Plan

Voters Disapprove



4-year Moratorium



Publication of Plan



Public Hearings on Plan



Governing Bodies Fail to Finalize Plan



Court-Appointed Mediator or Hearing Officer



Permissive Referendum if 25% or 15,000 Electors Petition

Governing Bodies Approve Final Version of Plan



Dissolution Effective

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Voters Approve Consolidation Effective



Voters Disapprove



*For populations under 500, you need 20% of the electors.