

**Parliament: Penang's Local Government Elections Enactment 2012 Not Valid: Chor Bernama**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, June 12 (Bernama) -- The Local Government Elections Enactment 2102 passed by the Penang Legislative Assembly last month to allow the people to elect their municipal councillors is not valid, the Dewan Rakyat was told Tuesday.

Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk Seri Chor Chee Heung said the enactment contravened Section 15 of the Local Government Act 1076 (Act 171) which states that local government elections "shall cease to have force or effect".

"After referring the issue to the Attorney-General's Chambers, it has been found that the enactment is not valid because Section 15 Act 171 overlaps the Local Government Elections Act 1960 (Act 473)," he said.

He was replying to Loh Gwo-Burne (PKR-Kelana Jaya) who had proposed that a local government re-election be held to let the locals choose their councillors.

Chor said the Penang state government's action to approve the enactment without consulting the National Council for Local Government (NCLG) was clearly against Article 95A(6) of the Federal Constitution.

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