NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 181 HOUSE BILL 52

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE GOVERNING BOARDS OF THE SEVERAL CITIES AND TOWNS OF THE STATE TO FIX THEIR OWN COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES AND THE COMPENSATION AND ALLOWANCES OF THE MAYOR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. Chapter 160 of the General Statutes of North Carolina is amended by inserting a new Section as follows:

"Sec. 160-9.1. Governing board to fix compensation. The governing board of any city or town in this State may fix its own compensation and allowances, and the compensation and allowances of the mayor, in such sums as may be just and reasonable, effective following the next regular municipal election for seats on said board. The compensation and allowances of a mayor elected as such shall not be reduced during the then current term of office. Any action taken under this Section shall be published at least once in some newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality as provided by G.S. Section 1-597, and shall not be taken after 14 days before the deadline for filing notice of candidacy for the municipal governing board, or, if no such deadline is prescribed by law or ordinance, after 90 days before the minicipal election."

- **Sec. 2.** Notwithstanding the deadline for action prescribed in Section 1 of this Act, cities and towns may take action hereunder in 1969 until 14 days before the municipal primary, if any, or until 30 days before the municipal election if there is no primary.
- **Sec. 3.** Sections 160-9 and 160-210 of the General Statutes of North Carolina are hereby re-enacted, and all portions of municipal charters fixing the compensation and allowances of municipal officers and employees are repealed.
- **Sec. 4.** Notwithstanding the repeal of local acts fixing salaries and allowances of municipal officers and employees, persons incumbent on the effective date of this Act shall continue to receive the compensation and allowances now prescribed by law until the governing board shall provide otherwise in accordance with the provisions of this Act.
- **Sec. 5.** All laws and clauses of laws, and specifically all portions of municipal charters, in conflict with this Act are repealed to the extent of such conflict.
 - **Sec. 6.** This Act shall take effect upon its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 4th day of April, 1969.