NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 774 HOUSE BILL 1148

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ALEXANDER COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. The Board of Education of Alexander County shall consist of six members to be elected for terms of four (4) years as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. For purpose of the election of six members to the Board of Education of Alexander County, said county shall be apportioned into four districts of contiguous townships, said townships to contain such precincts and polling places as are provided for general elections. District number 1 shall consist of Little River, Sugar Loaf, and Gwaltney's townships. District number 2 shall consist of Sharpes township. District number 3 shall consist of Ellendale, Taylorsville, and Millers townships. District number 4 shall consist of Wittenburg township.

District number 1 shall be entitled to one member of the Board of Education; District number 2 shall be entitled to one member of the Board of Education; District number 3 shall be entitled to three members of the Board of Education; and District number 4 shall be entitled to one member of the Board of Education.

- **Sec. 3.** Members of the Alexander County Board of Education shall be elected in a non-Partisan Election to be held at the time of the general election for nomination of candidates for the General Assembly. Candidates for the office of membership on the Board of Education of Alexander County shall be eligible electors and shall file notice of candidacy with the County Board of Elections of Alexander County in the same manner and at such time as that for candidates for the General Assembly prior to the date of said primary election, and notice of candidacy shall be accompanied by a filing fee of ten (\$10.00) dollars. The notice of candidacy shall state the name, age, residence and district of the candidate, together with a statement that such candidate desires to be voted upon as a member of said Alexander County Board of Education.
- **Sec. 4.** The present five members of the Board of Education of Alexander County shall hold their offices until the expiration of the terms for which they were appointed, provided: the term of office of one of the two appointed members from District number 1 shall expire on the first Monday in December, 1970, and the term of office of the one appointed member from District number 4 shall expire on the first Monday in December, 1970; the term of office of the second appointed member from District number 1, the term of office of the one appointed member from District number 2, and the term of office of the one appointed member from District number 3, shall

expire on the first Monday in December, 1972. In any case the present members of the Alexander County Board of Education, or those appointed to fill unexpired terms of said members, shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified. All members elected in any election shall take office on the first Monday in December of the year in which elected.

Sec. 5. At the general election to be held for the year 1970, three candidates shall be elected to membership on the Board of Education of Alexander County for terms of four years each as herein provided. One member shall be elected from and for District number 3 in place of the one appointed member position from District number 1 whose term of office expires in December, 1970, and one additional member shall be elected from and for District number 3, increasing membership for said District number 3 from one appointed member to three members, and decreasing membership for said District number 1 from two appointed members to one member. One member shall be elected from and for District number 4, replacing the appointed member position from said District number 4 whose term of office expires on the first Monday in December, 1970.

At the general election to be held for the year 1972, three candidates shall be elected to membership on the Board of Education of Alexander County for terms of four years each as herein provided. One member shall be elected from and for District number 1, replacing the appointed member position from said District number 1 whose term of office expires on the first Monday in December, 1972. One member shall be elected from and for District number 2, replacing the appointed member position from said District number 2 whose term of office expires on the first Monday in December, 1972. One member shall be elected from and for District number 3 replacing the one appointed member position from District number 3 whose term of office expires on the first Monday in December, 1972.

Sec. 6. In Districts 1, 2, and 4, each entitled to one member of the Board of Education as provided in Section 2 of this Act, and in those years in which vacancies exist by reason of the expiration of the term(s) of office of a member, the candidate receiving the highest number of votes in the district shall be declared to be elected.

In District number 3, entitled to three members of the Board of Education as provided in Section 2, in those years in which two vacancies exist by reason of the expiration of terms of office of two members, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes in said District number 3 shall be declared to be elected; in those years in which one vacancy exists by reason of the expiration of the term of office of one member, the one candidate receiving the highest number of votes in said District number 3 shall be declared elected.

Sec. 7. In the event the number of candidates in a district does not exceed the number of vacancies to be filled in that district, no election shall be necessary and the candidate(s) shall be declared elected. Vacancies on the Board which arise during a term of office shall be filled for the unexpired term by majority vote of the remaining members of the Board of Education of Alexander County.

Sec. 8. Member(s) whose terms of office expire and who desire to become candidates for re-election shall register and be voted upon in the same manner as herein

provided and at the general election to be held in the year in which said terms of office expire, provided no member shall serve more than two terms in succession.

Sec. 9. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. This Act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 11th day of June, 1969.