

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1977 SESSION

CHAPTER 296  
HOUSE BILL 523

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE GUILFORD COUNTY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE TO SEVEN MEMBERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** The Board of Education of Guilford County shall consist of seven members who shall be residents of the Guilford County Administrative Unit and who shall be elected at large by the qualified voters of the administrative unit for terms of four years.

**Sec. 2.** The incumbent members of the Guilford County Board of Education shall continue to hold office until their respective terms shall expire.

**Sec. 3.** At the general election to be held in November, 1978, four members shall be elected for four-year terms commencing the first Monday in December following their election. As terms expire thereafter, members of the Guilford County Board of Education shall be elected in nonpartisan elections at the time of the general election in November, and all terms shall commence on the first Monday in December next succeeding the election.

Those members of the Guilford County Board of Education who were elected to serve four-year terms to end in April will continue in office until the term for which they were elected would normally expire, notwithstanding the fact that this will cause the membership of the Guilford County Board of Education to exceed seven members for a short period of time.

**Sec. 4.** Absentee voting shall be allowed in all elections for membership to the Guilford County Board of Education.

**Sec. 4.1.** All vacancies in the membership of the Guilford County Board of Education by death, resignation, or other causes, which reduce the membership below seven members, shall be filled by appointment by the remaining members of the board, of a person to serve until the next election of members of such board, at which time the remaining unexpired term of the office in which the vacancy occurs shall be filled by election.

**Sec. 5.** Except as amended herein in Section 1 and Section 3, Chapter 282 of the 1975 Session Laws shall continue in full force and effect with respect to the election of members of the Guilford County Board of Education.

**Sec. 6.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Sec. 7.** This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 2nd day of May, 1977.