

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1995 SESSION

CHAPTER 67
HOUSE BILL 595

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

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any provision of Chapter 236, Session Laws, 1983, the members of the Craven County Board of Education shall be hereafter elected on a nonpartisan basis. Each member must reside in the district which he represents.

Sec. 2. Beginning with the 1996 primary election, and quadrennially thereafter, if when the filing period closes, there are more than two candidates in a district, there shall be a nonpartisan primary to narrow the field of candidates to two candidates for each of Districts 1, 3, 5, and 7. Only qualified voters of each of those districts may vote in the primary for that district. If only one or two candidates file in a district, no primary shall be held.

The results of the primary election shall be determined by the plurality method pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 163-292.

Sec. 3. Beginning with the general election of 1996, and quadrennially thereafter, one of the nominees from each of Districts 1, 3, 5, and 7 will be elected by the qualified voters of the entire county.

Sec. 4. Beginning with the 1998 primary election, and quadrennially thereafter, if when the filing period closes, there are more than two candidates in a district, there shall be a nonpartisan primary to narrow the field of candidates to two candidates for each of Districts 2, 4, and 6. Only qualified voters of the districts may vote in the primary for that district. If only one or two candidates file in a district, no primary shall be held. The results of the primary election will be determined by the plurality method pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 163-292.

Sec. 5. Beginning with the general election of 1998 and quadrennially thereafter, one of the nominees from each of Districts 2, 4, and 6 will be elected by the qualified voters of the entire county.

Sec. 6. The candidates elected to the Craven County Board of Education shall qualify and take office on the first Monday in December of the year in which elected.

Sec. 7. This act does not affect the terms of office of any member of the Board of Education elected in 1994.

Sec. 8. Vacancies occurring on the Craven County Board of Education for positions elected on a nonpartisan basis shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 115C-37(f). Vacancies occurring on the Craven County Board of Education for

positions elected on a partisan basis shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 115C-37.1.

Sec. 9. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of May, 1995.

Dennis A. Wicker
President of the Senate

Harold J. Brubaker
Speaker of the House of Representatives