

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1997 SESSION

S.L. 1997-262
SENATE BILL 579

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF LENOIR TO ALLOW
SALARY INCREASES FOR THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE MAYOR AND TO
ALLOW THE MAYOR TO BE ELECTED FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Notwithstanding Section 2.9 of the Charter of the City of Lenoir, being Chapter 118 of the 1977 Session Laws, the city council may increase the salaries of the mayor and the council members by ordinance adopted no less than 30 days after the 1997 municipal elections are held. The increase may go into effect immediately. Any subsequent changes to the salary of the mayor and members of the council shall be made in accordance with G.S. 160A-64, except that they may become effective only at the organizational meeting following a regular municipal election.

Section 2. Effective with the 1999 municipal election, Section 3.2 of the Charter of the City of Lenoir, being Chapter 118 of the 1977 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 3.2. Election of the mayor. At the regular municipal election in ~~1977, 1999,~~ and ~~biennially~~ quadrennially thereafter, there shall be elected a mayor to serve a term of ~~two~~ four years. The mayor shall be elected by all the voters of the city voting at large."

Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 2nd day of July, 1997.

s/ Dennis A. Wicker
President of the Senate

s/ Harold J. Brubaker
Speaker of the House of Representatives