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HOUSE BILL 814

Short Title: Laurinburg Charter Revised.

(Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Hasty; and DeVane.

Referred to: Government.

March 23, 1989

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT TO REVISE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF LAURINBURG.

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The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. The Charter of the City of Laurinburg is rewritten to read:

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"CHAPTER I.

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"INCORPORATION AND CORPORATE POWERS.

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"Sec. 1-1. **Incorporation and Corporate Powers.** The inhabitants of the City of Laurinburg are a body corporate and politic under the name of the 'City of Laurinburg'. Under that name they have all the powers, duties, rights, privileges and immunities conferred and imposed on cities by the general law of North Carolina.

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"CHAPTER II.

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"CORPORATE BOUNDARIES.

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"Sec. 2-1. **City Boundaries.** The boundaries of the City of Laurinburg are set out on a map entitled 'Boundary Map of the City of Laurinburg, North Carolina'. The map is maintained in the office of the City Clerk, as required by G.S. 160A-22.

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"CHAPTER III.

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"GOVERNING BODY.

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"Sec. 3-1. **Structure of Governing Body; Number of Members.** The governing body of the City of Laurinburg is the City Council, which has five members and a mayor.

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"Sec. 3-2. **Manner of Election of Council.** The qualified voters of the entire City elect the members of the City Council.

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"Sec. 3-3. **Term of Office of Members of the City Council.** Members of the Council are elected to two-year and four-year terms. In 1989, and each two years

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1 thereafter, three members of the Board shall be elected. The two members receiving the
2 larger number of votes shall serve for a term of four years and the remaining member so
3 elected shall serve the term of two years.

4 "Sec. 3-4. **Election of Mayor; Term of Office; Voting Rights.** The qualified
5 voters of the entire City shall elect the Mayor. He is elected to a two-year term of
6 office. The Mayor shall not vote on any question before the Council except in case of a
7 tie vote deadlocking a decision of the Council.

8 **"CHAPTER IV.**

9 **"ELECTIONS.**

10 "Sec. 4-1. **Conduct of City Elections.** City officers shall be elected on a
11 nonpartisan basis, and the results determined by plurality as provided by G.S. 163-292.

12 **"CHAPTER V.**

13 **"ADMINISTRATION.**

14 "Sec. 5-1. **City to Operate under Council-Manager Plan.** The City of Laurinburg
15 shall operate under the Council Manager Plan as provided in Chapter 160A of the
16 General Statutes, Article 7, Part 2. The positions of City Clerk, City Tax Collector and
17 Treasurer, formerly appointed by the Governing Body, shall be appointed by the City
18 Manager."

19 Sec. 2. The following local acts, having served their purpose, are repealed in
20 their application to the City of Laurinburg.

21 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.