

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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**SENATE BILL 289
State and Local Government Committee Substitute Adopted 6/1/05**

Short Title: Rockingham School Elections.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 2, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE MANNER OF ELECTION OF THE ROCKINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the PLAN FOR MERGER OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY INTO ONE SYSTEM, as approved by the State Board of Education on July 2, 1992, under G.S. 115C-67, effective after the next election, effective the first Monday in December of 2006, the Rockingham County Consolidated Board of Education consists of nine members as follows:

- (1) Four elected from the county at large; and
- (2) Five elected from districts, one each from a single-member district by the voters of that district. The boundaries of the districts shall be determined by this act.

SECTION 2. Section 2 of Chapter 15 of the 1993 Session Laws reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 2. (a) Notwithstanding G.S. ~~163-279(a)(4)~~ 163-279(a)(1) and Section IV.B. of the PLAN FOR MERGER OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY INTO ONE SYSTEM, as approved by the State Board of Education on July 2, 1992, under G.S. 115C-67, the election of the Rockingham County Consolidated Board of Education shall take place on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each year that the PLAN FOR MERGER OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY INTO ONE SYSTEM calls for an election to take place, and the runoff election, if required, shall be on the fourth Tuesday thereafter place.

(b) Notwithstanding Section IV.D. of the PLAN FOR MERGER OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY INTO ONE SYSTEM, as approved by the State Board of Education on July 2, 1992, under G.S. 115C-67, ~~in any year where a runoff election is required for the Rockingham County Consolidated~~

1 ~~Board of Education and the date of the runoff is after the first Monday in December, the~~
2 election shall be decided on a plurality basis under G.S. 163-292, and all the newly
3 elected board members shall take office on the ~~second~~ first Tuesday in December
4 following their election."

5 **SECTION 3.** The chair of the Rockingham County Consolidated Board of
6 Education shall be elected by the Board from among the at large members to serve until
7 the organizational meeting of the Board after the next election.

8 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.