

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005

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SENATE BILL 350*
House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/28/06

Short Title: 2006 Various Local Acts.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 3, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT AFFECTING THE REGULATION OF ABANDONED OR JUNKED
2 MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF AHOSKIE, CRAMERTON,
3 FARMVILLE, AND LAGRANGE; TO PROVIDE THAT HIGH POINT CITY
4 ELECTIONS SHALL BE HELD IN THE EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND
5 DECIDED ON A PLURALITY BASIS; TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE
6 TOWN OF MCFARLAN TO PROVIDE FOUR-YEAR TERMS FOR THE
7 MAYOR AND BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; TO CONFIRM THE
8 APPLICABILITY OF A 1961 LOCAL ACT TO ELECTIONS FOR THE BERTIE
9 COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AS HAS BEEN THE PROCEDURE
10 FOLLOWED BY THE BOARD AND ELECTION OFFICIALS; TO REPEAL A
11 LIMIT ON THE NUMBER OF TERMS A MEMBER OF THE SCOTLAND
12 COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY SERVE; TO ALLOW THE
13 SANFORD-LEE COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL
14 MEMBER THAT IS AN EX OFFICIO VOTING MEMBER; PROVIDING THAT
15 THE TOWNS OF MARSHVILLE AND WINGATE MAY EXERCISE
16 EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OVER AN AREA EXTENDING ONE
17 MILE FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE LIMITS WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF
18 THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND PROVIDING FOR
19 A DELAY OF THE MONROE CITY REFERENDUM AUTHORIZED BY S.L.
20 2005-261; AND TO EXEMPT THE TOWN OF BLOWING ROCK FROM
21 CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC CONTRACTS.
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23 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

24 **SECTION 1.** Section 3 of S.L. 2005-10 reads as rewritten:

25 "**SECTION 3.** Section 1 of this act applies only to the City of Henderson and the
26 ~~Town~~ Towns of Ahoskie, Cramerton, Farmville, LaGrange, and Louisburg. Section 2 of
27 this act applies only to the ~~Town~~ Towns of Ahoskie, Cramerton, Farmville, LaGrange,
28 and Louisburg."

1 **SECTION 2.(a)** Section 3.1 of the Charter of the City of High Point, being
2 Chapter 501 of the 1979 Session Laws, as amended by Ordinance Number 86-7 under
3 Part 4 of Article 5 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes, reads as rewritten:

4 "Sec. 3.1. Method of election. Regular municipal elections shall be held in the city
5 biennially in ~~odd-numbered~~ even-numbered years, and shall be conducted in accordance
6 with state law governing municipal elections. The mayor and members of the council
7 shall be elected by the ~~nonpartisan primary and election method provided for in~~
8 G.S. 163-294, nonpartisan plurality election method provided for in G.S. 163-292."

9 **SECTION 2.(b)** No regular election shall be conducted in the City of High
10 Point in 2007, and the terms of the mayor and council members elected in 2005 are
11 extended until the organizational meeting after the 2008 regular municipal election held
12 in accordance with Section 2(a) of this act.

13 **SECTION 3.** Section 4 of the Charter of the Town of McFarlan, being
14 Chapter 102, Private Laws of 1885, as rewritten by Section 4 of Chapter 771 of the
15 Session Laws of 1947, reads as rewritten:

16 "Sec. 4. That hereafter the officers of said town shall consist of a mayor and five
17 commissioners, and an election for said officers shall be held ~~on the first Tuesday after~~
18 ~~the first Monday in May, 1947, and biennially~~ in 2007 and quadrennially thereafter, and
19 shall be conducted in accordance with the general municipal election laws as set out in
20 Article 3 of Chapter 160 Chapter 163 of the General Statutes of North Carolina. Those
21 elected in 2007 and thereafter shall serve four-year terms."

22 **SECTION 5.(a)** Except as modified by this act, pursuant to Article 5 of
23 Chapter 115C of the General Statutes, the Bertie County Board of Education consists of
24 five members elected in nonpartisan elections in even-numbered years. As provided in
25 Chapter 764 of the Session Laws of 1961, and as has been the practice since that time,
26 elections shall be by residency districts. That is, candidates for each of the five seats,
27 and board members elected to those seats, shall reside in particular districts, but all seats
28 shall be voted upon by all eligible voters in the county. The five districts are:

29 District 1 – Windsor Township.

30 District 2 – Merry Hill and Whites Townships.

31 District 3 – Colerain and Mitchell Townships.

32 District 4 – Roxabel and Woodville Townships.

33 District 5 – Snakebite and Indian Woods Townships.

34 **SECTION 5.(b)** As provided in Section 3 of Chapter 764 of the Session
35 Laws of 1961, and as has been the practice since that time, board members shall serve
36 staggered, four-year terms. The board members representing Districts 2, 3, and 4 shall
37 be elected in 2006 and every four years thereafter. The board members representing
38 Districts 1 and 5 shall be elected in 2008 and every four years thereafter.

39 **SECTION 5.(c)** Except as provided in this section, members of the Bertie
40 County Board of Education shall be elected according to general State law.

41 **SECTION 5.(d)** This section is intended to codify and confirm the election
42 method that has been in place since 1961.

1 **SECTION 10.** Notwithstanding G.S. 143-128, 143-129, and 143-132, the
2 Town of Blowing Rock may use the design-build method of construction for the public
3 parking facility that shall be located adjacent to the proposed Blowing Rock Art &
4 History Museum on a lot bounded by Main Street, Chestnut Street, and Wallingford
5 Street in downtown Blowing Rock. Notwithstanding any provision of law, the Town of
6 Blowing Rock may award the contract in its sole discretion.

7 **SECTION 11.** Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it
8 becomes law.