

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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SENATE BILL 120  
State and Local Government Committee Substitute Adopted 3/22/11  
House Committee Substitute Favorable 5/19/11

Short Title: New Bern Charter Amendments.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 24, 2011

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW BERN RELATING TO  
3 THE MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEM.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 6 of the Charter of the City of New Bern, being Chapter 1281  
6 of the 1957 Session Laws, as amended by Chapter 266 of the 1983 Session Laws, Section 4 of  
7 Chapter 64 of the 1985 Session Laws, and Section 1 of S.L. 2000-42, reads as rewritten:

8 "Sec. 6. Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem. At its first meeting in the month of December the  
9 board of aldermen shall choose one of its members as mayor pro tem to serve for a term of one  
10 year. The mayor pro tem shall act as mayor whenever the mayor shall be absent from the city  
11 or be prevented by sickness or other cause from attending to the duties of ~~his~~the office and ~~he~~  
12 the mayor pro tem shall possess all the rights and powers of the mayor during the continuance  
13 of such vacancy, absence or disability. The mayor shall preside at meetings of the board of  
14 aldermen and shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as are or may be  
15 conferred and imposed upon ~~him~~the mayor by the general laws of North Carolina, by this  
16 Charter and the ordinances of the city. ~~The Mayor~~mayor shall have the right to vote on ~~a~~any  
17 question before the board of ~~aldermen only in the case of a tie~~aldermen and shall do so as if the  
18 mayor were a member of the board. ~~He~~The mayor shall be recognized as the head of the city  
19 government for all ceremonial purposes, by the courts for serving civil processes, and by the  
20 Governor for purposes of military law. For the purposes of Sections 8, 9, and 10 of this Charter,  
21 the mayor shall be considered to be an elected member of the board of aldermen."

22 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

