

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001

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HOUSE BILL 500

Short Title: Charlotte-Meck. School Omnibus Election.

(Local)

Sponsors: Representative Gulley.

Referred to: Local Government I.

March 7, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES IN THE ELECTORAL SYSTEM FOR THE
3 CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CHANGE
4 TERMS FROM FOUR YEARS TO TWO YEARS, TO ADD TWO AT-LARGE
5 MEMBERS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR NONPARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 2(a) of Chapter 167 of the 1993 Session Laws reads as
8 rewritten:

9 "(a) In 1995 and ~~quadrennially thereafter, 1999,~~ three members of the
10 Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be elected for four-year terms by all
11 the qualified voters of Mecklenburg County. In 2001 two members of the Charlotte-
12 Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be elected for two-year terms by all the qualified
13 voters of Mecklenburg County. In 2003 and biennially thereafter, five members of the
14 Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be elected for two-year terms by all
15 the qualified voters of Mecklenburg County."

16 **SECTION 2.** Section 2(c) of Chapter 167 of the 1993 Session Laws reads as
17 rewritten:

18 "(c) In 1995, one member of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be
19 elected from each district for a two-year term by all the qualified voters of the district.
20 ~~In 1997 and quadrennially thereafter, 1997~~ one member of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg
21 Board of Education shall be elected from each district for a four-year term by all the
22 qualified voters of the district. In 2001 and biennially thereafter, one member of the
23 Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be elected from each district for a two-
24 year term by all the qualified voters of the district."

25 **SECTION 3.** Section 1 of Chapter 167 of the 1993 Session Laws reads as
26 rewritten:

27 "Section 1. (a) The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be elected on a
28 nonpartisan ~~plurality~~ primary basis on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November

1 in odd-numbered years, with the results determined as provided by ~~G.S. 163-292~~ G.S.
2 163-294. Notwithstanding G.S. 163-279(a), if any municipality in the county conducts
3 its election on a partisan basis:

4 (1) The nonpartisan primary for the board of education shall be held on
5 the sixth Tuesday before the election;

6 (2) Any municipality in the county which conducts its election on a
7 nonpartisan primary basis shall have the nonpartisan primary on the
8 sixth Tuesday before the election;

9 (3) Any municipality in the county which conducts its election on a
10 nonpartisan election and runoff election basis shall have the election
11 on the sixth Tuesday before the Tuesday after the first Monday in
12 November.

13 (b) Except as otherwise provided by this act, the election shall be administered in
14 accordance with Articles 23 and 24 of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes."

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