

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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**HOUSE BILL 115
Committee Substitute Favorable 3/13/19**

Short Title: Even-Yr. Elections/Town of Biltmore Forest.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 21, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF
BILTMORE FOREST SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) Section 3 of the Charter of the Town of Biltmore Forest, being Chapter 32 of the Session Laws of 1923, as amended by Town Ordinance adopted on June 21, 2011, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 3. ~~The following named persons shall fill the offices of mayor and commissioners from their qualifications until an election to be held on the first Monday in May, nineteen hundred and twenty three, and until their successors are elected and qualified, to wit: Junius G. Adams, mayor, and Charles E. Waddell, Edward M. Jones, and Lloyd M. Jarrett, commissioners.~~ The officers of the Town of Biltmore Forest shall consist of a mayor and three commissioners who shall serve four-year terms. In 2020, and quadrennially thereafter, the mayor and three commissioners shall each be elected for four-year terms."

SECTION 1.(b) Section 7 of the Charter of the Town of Biltmore Forest, being Chapter 32 of the Session Laws of 1923, as amended by Town Ordinance adopted on June 21, 2011, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 7. ~~That~~ In 2020, and quadrennially thereafter, an election shall be held in said town on the first Monday in May, nineteen hundred and twenty three, and quadrennially thereafter the Town on Tuesday after the first Monday in November in each even-numbered year for the purpose of electing a mayor and three commissioners, which said commissioners. The election shall be held under the laws of North Carolina regulating elections in cities and towns, conducted on a nonpartisan basis and the results determined using the nonpartisan plurality method as provided in G.S. 163A-1616. Notwithstanding G.S. 163A-1620, the Buncombe County Board of Elections shall set the time period for candidates seeking municipal office to file notices of candidacy, and shall notify the Town of the time period to file such notices of candidacy."

SECTION 2. No regular municipal elections shall be conducted in the Town of Biltmore Forest in 2019. The mayor and three commissioners whose terms expire in 2019 are extended until 2020. Regular municipal elections shall be conducted in the Town of Biltmore Forest in 2020.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to elections held on or after that date.

