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HOUSE BILL 490

Short Title: Winston-Salem/Forsyth Bd. of Ed/Stagger Terms. (Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Lambeth and Conrad (Primary Sponsors).

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Referred to: State and Local Government, if favorable, Elections and Ethics Law, if favorable,
Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

March 28, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE A STAGGER OF THE TERMS OF MEMBERS OF THE
WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 2(a)(5)(ii) of Chapter 112, Session Laws of 1961, as rewritten by Chapter 466, Session Laws of 1985, and as amended by Chapter 696 of the 1991 Session Laws, S.L. 2009-72, and Section 2(b) of S.L. 2011-141, reads as rewritten:

"(ii) Effective on the first Monday in December 1986, the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education shall be composed of nine members. In the ~~2010-2022~~ election, ~~nine-four~~ persons shall be elected from District 2 to the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education for two-year terms. In the 2024 election, and quadrennially thereafter, four persons shall be elected from District 2 to the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education for four-year terms. The terms of those elected in 2010 for two-year terms shall instead expire on the first Monday in December of 2014.

In ~~2014~~the 2022 election, and quadrennially thereafter, five members shall be elected to the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education for four-year terms as follows:

(1) Two persons shall be elected from District 1.

(2) ~~Four persons shall be elected from District 2.~~

(~~3~~) Three members shall be elected at large from all of Forsyth County.

~~Successors to those elected in 2014 shall serve four-year terms.~~

For an at-large seat, any qualified voter of Forsyth County is eligible to vote. For the district seats, only residents of the district shall be eligible to be candidates and only qualified voters of the district shall be eligible to vote.

The districts as established for the purpose of this subparagraph ~~are for the 2010 election those established under G.S. 115C-37(i), which are subject to change for the election in 2014 after the return of the 2010 census under G.S. 115C-37(i).~~"

SECTION 2. This act does not affect the terms of office of any person elected in 2018 to the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education. Each member of the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education elected in 2018, or any member appointed to fill a vacancy for a member elected in 2018, shall serve until a successor has been elected and qualified.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

