

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1983 SESSION

CHAPTER 433
SENATE BILL 375

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR THE FILLING OF VACANCIES IN
ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF CHINA GROVE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Charter of the Town of China Grove, being Chapter 309, Session Laws of 1903, is amended by adding a new section to read:

"Sec. 3.1. Filling of vacancies. (a) A vacancy in the office of alderman shall be filled by appointment of the remaining members of the Board of Aldermen within 60 days after said vacancy occurs in the following manner and priorities:

- (1) In descending order, the individuals receiving the highest number of votes in the next previous municipal election that did not get elected, provided that only person who filed notice of candidacy and whose names were printed on the ballot shall be eligible under this subdivision.
- (2) The chairman of the China Grove Planning Board.
- (3) The chairman of the China Grove Zoning Board of Adjustment.
- (4) Any other qualified citizen of the Town of China Grove.

(b) When a vacancy of office of mayor occurs, the successor mayor shall be chosen within 60 days after the vacancy occurs in the following manner and priorities:

- (1) The Mayor Pro-Tem.
- (2) In descending order, the members of the Board of Aldermen receiving the highest number of votes in the next previous municipal election.
- (3) In descending order, the individuals receiving the highest number of votes in the next previous municipal election that did not get elected; provided that only persons who filed notice of candidacy and whose names were printed on the ballot are eligible under this subdivision.
- (4) The chairman of the China Grove Planning Board.
- (5) The chairman of the China Grove Zoning Board of Adjustment.
- (6) Any other qualified citizen of the Town of China Grove.

(c) Any successor alderman or mayor shall otherwise qualify for office, consent to said appointment and serve only the remaining term to which they are appointed."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 3rd day of June, 1983.