

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

SESSION 1997

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HOUSE BILL 296\*

Short Title: Mecklenburg School Election Changes.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Representatives Gulley; Barbee, Carpenter, Clary, Hall, Hardy, Kiser, McMahan, Morris, Rayfield, Sexton, Starnes, and C. Wilson.

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Referred to: Local & Regional Government II.

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February 24, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES IN THE MANNER OF ELECTION OF THE  
CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

"(a) In 1995 ~~and quadrennially thereafter,~~ three members of the Charlotte-  
Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be elected for four-year terms by all the qualified  
voters of Mecklenburg County. In 1997 two members of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg  
Board of Education shall be elected for two-year terms by all the qualified voters of  
Mecklenburg County. In 1999 and biennially thereafter, five members of the Charlotte-  
Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be elected for two-year terms by all the qualified  
voters of Mecklenburg County."

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

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

1 Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be elected from each district for a ~~four-year~~two-  
2 year term by all the qualified voters of the district."

3 Section 3. Section 1 of Chapter 167 of the 1993 Session Laws reads as  
4 rewritten:

5 "Section 1. (a) The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education shall be elected on a  
6 nonpartisan ~~plurality~~primary basis on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November in  
7 odd-numbered years, with the results determined as provided by ~~G.S. 163-292~~G.S. 163-  
8 294. Notwithstanding G.S. 163-279(a), if any municipality in the county conducts its  
9 election on a partisan basis:

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

12 (2) Any municipality in the county which conducts its election on a  
13 nonpartisan primary basis shall have the nonpartisan primary on the  
14 sixth Tuesday before the election;

15 (3) Any municipality in the county which conducts its election on a  
16 nonpartisan election and runoff election basis shall have the election on  
17 the sixth Tuesday before the Tuesday after the first Monday in  
18 November.

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

21 Section 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.