

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2001**

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HOUSE BILL 667

Short Title: New London Election Changes.

(Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Barbee and Gibson.

Referred to: Local Government II.

March 19, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE TOWN
3 OF NEW LONDON, EXTENDING THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE TOWN'S
4 COMMISSIONERS AND MAYOR, AND STAGGERING THOSE TERMS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 3 of the Charter of the Town of New London, being
7 Chapter 91 of the 1907 Private Laws, as amended, reads as rewritten:

8 "~~Sec. 3. The officers of said town shall consist of a mayor, three commissioner and a~~
9 ~~marshal, all of which shall be elected at the regular elections to be held as provided by~~
10 ~~this act, except the marshal, who shall be appointed by the board of town commissioners~~
11 ~~for a term of two years: Provided, that said board of commissioners shall have the right~~
12 ~~to revoke said appointment at any time on failure of any marshal to perform the duties~~
13 ~~of his office satisfactorily; said marshal to be paid for his services in any lawful way~~
14 ~~that said board may see fit. The officers of the town shall consist of a mayor and five~~
15 commissioners, and they shall be elected to four-year terms by the qualified voters of
16 the entire town, except as provided otherwise in this section. In 2001, and quadrennially
17 thereafter, a mayor shall be elected to a four-year term. In 2001, for the position of
18 commissioner, the two persons receiving the highest numbers of votes shall be elected
19 to four-year terms and the three persons receiving the next highest numbers of votes
20 shall be elected to two-year terms. In 2003, and quadrennially thereafter, three persons
21 shall be elected to four-year terms. In 2005, and quadrennially thereafter, two persons
22 shall be elected to four-year terms."

23 **SECTION 2.** Section 15 of the Charter of the Town of New London, being
24 Chapter 91 of the 1907 Private Laws, as amended, is repealed.

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