

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2003**

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**HOUSE BILL 696**

Short Title: Wadesboro/Ansonville Governing Body Terms. (Local)

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Sponsors: Representatives Gibson; and Goodwin.

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Referred to: Local Government I.

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March 27, 2003

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF WADESBORO TO  
2 EXTEND THE MAYOR'S TERM OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS  
3 AND TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF ANSONVILLE TO  
4 EXTEND THE MAYOR'S AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' TERMS OF OFFICE  
5 FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS.  
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7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** Section 3.4(a) of the Charter of the Town of Wadesboro, being  
9 Chapter 297 of the 1975 Session Laws, as amended by Chapter 885 of the 1985 Session  
10 Laws, reads as rewritten:

11 "(a) The members of the town council and the mayor shall serve for terms of four  
12 years, ~~and the mayor shall serve for a term of two years~~, beginning the day and hour of  
13 the organizational meeting following their election, as established by ordinance in  
14 accordance with this charter; provided, they shall serve until their successors are elected  
15 and qualify."

16 **SECTION 2.** Section 4.1 of the Charter of the Town of Wadesboro, being  
17 Chapter 297 of the 1975 Session Laws, as amended by Chapter 885 of the 1985 Session  
18 Laws, reads as rewritten:

19 "**Sec. 4.1. Regular municipal elections.** Regular municipal elections shall be held  
20 biennially in odd-numbered years on the day set by general law for municipal elections.  
21 In the ~~1975-2003~~ regular municipal elections and ~~biennially quadrennially~~ thereafter  
22 there shall be elected a mayor for a term of ~~two~~ four years. In the 1975 regular  
23 municipal election and quadrennially thereafter, two council members shall be elected  
24 to serve terms of four years each. In the 1977 regular municipal election and  
25 quadrennially thereafter, three council members shall be elected to serve terms of four  
26 years each. Newly elected council members shall fill the seats of those council members  
27 whose terms are then expiring."

28 **SECTION 3.** That portion of the order of the Municipal Board of Control  
29 for the State of North Carolina, dated May 9, 1928, In Re: Incorporation of the Town of

1 Ansonville, Anson County, North Carolina, stating the manner of electing the Town  
2 Council of Ansonville reads as rewritten:

3 "The governing body of the Town shall be the Mayor and the Town Council, which  
4 shall be composed of five members. The governing body shall be elected by all the  
5 qualified voters of the entire Town. In 2003, and quadrennially thereafter, the Mayor  
6 and the Town Council shall be elected for four-year terms or until their successors are  
7 elected and qualified."

8 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.