

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003**

**HOUSE BILL 696
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF WADESBORO TO
EXTEND THE MAYOR'S TERM OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS
AND TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF ANSONVILLE TO
EXTEND THE MAYOR'S AND COUNCIL MEMBERS' TERMS OF OFFICE
FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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

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

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

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

SECTION 3. That portion of the order of the Municipal Board of Control for the State of North Carolina, dated May 9, 1928, In Re: Incorporation of the Town of Ansonville, Anson County, North Carolina, stating the manner of electing the Town Council of Ansonville is rewritten to read:

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

SECTION 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 12th day of
June, 2003.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

Richard T. Morgan
Speaker of the House of Representatives