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HOUSE BILL 2171

Short Title: Greensboro Recall Conformance.

(Local)

Sponsors: Representatives Sizemore, Arnold, Bowie, Decker, Gist, Lineberry, and Wood.

Referred to: Government.

May 30, 1990

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO WITH
RESPECT TO RECALL PETITIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Sec. 2.71(c) (2) of the Charter of the City of Greensboro, as set forth in Section 1, Chapter 1137 of the Session Laws of 1959, is amended by rewriting the sub-subsection to read as follows:

"Voters seeking the recall of any member of the council shall proceed by way of a recall petition addressed to the council identifying the council member concerned, requesting his/her removal from office and stating the grounds alleged for his/her removal. With respect to any council member elected at large, any recall petition must be filed with the city clerk and must be signed by qualified voters of the city equal in number to at least 25% of the qualified voters of the city who voted at the last preceding election of city council members. With respect to any city council member elected from a district, any recall petition must be filed with the city clerk and must be signed by qualified voters of that council member's district equal in number to at least 25% of the qualified voters of such district who voted at the last preceding election for its city council member."

Sec. 2. Sec. 2.73(g) of the Charter of the City of Greensboro, as set forth in Section 1, Chapter 1137 of the Session Laws of 1959, is amended by rewriting the entire seventh sentence to read as follows:

"Upon completion of its check, the board of elections shall forthwith certify to the city clerk: (1) The total number of registered voters of the city or the municipal electoral

1 district, whichever is applicable, at the time of the most recent election of members of
2 the city council; and (2) the number of voters registered in the city or in the municipal
3 electoral district, if applicable, whose signatures, marked by the clerk, appear on the
4 petition papers that the board found it necessary to examine."

5 Sec. 3. Sec. 2.75(b) of the Charter of the City of Greensboro, as set forth in
6 Section 1, Chapter 1137 of the Session Laws of 1959, is amended by rewriting the fifth
7 sentence thereof to read as follows:

8 "Upon completion of this check, the board of elections shall forthwith certify to the
9 city clerk the number of voters registered in the city or in the municipal electoral
10 district, if applicable, whose signatures, marked by the clerk, appear on the
11 supplementary petition papers that the board found it necessary to examine."

12 Sec. 4. Sec. 2.76(c) of the Charter of the City of Greensboro, as set forth in
13 Section 1, Chapter 1137 of the Session Laws of 1959, is amended by adding a new
14 sentence at the end thereof to read as follows:

15 "Any recall election for a council member from an electoral district shall be held
16 within that district only."

17 Sec. 5. This act is effective upon ratification.