

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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**SENATE BILL 631
State and Local Government Committee Substitute Adopted 4/19/01**

Short Title: Charlotte Local Act.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 22, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF
3 THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF
4 THE CITY COUNCIL AND TO MAKE OTHER RELATED CHANGES.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The City Council of the City of Charlotte is authorized to
7 adopt an ordinance amending the Charter of the City of Charlotte to increase the number
8 of members of the City Council, increase the number of single-member electoral
9 districts in the City of Charlotte, and increase the number of members apportioned to
10 the City of Charlotte at large.

11 **SECTION 2.** Such ordinance as may be adopted pursuant to this act:

- 12 (1) Shall increase the number of members of the City Council to no more
13 than 13;
14 (2) Shall increase the number of single-member electoral districts to eight
15 or nine;
16 (3) May increase the number of members apportioned to the City of
17 Charlotte at large to five;
18 (4) May take effect upon adoption or at any time on or before July 18,
19 2001; and
20 (5) Shall not be subject to a referendum petition as set forth in G.S.
21 160A-103 nor to any procedural requirements of Part 4, Article 5,
22 Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.

23 **SECTION 3.** If the authority of this act is exercised, the Charter of the City
24 of Charlotte shall also be amended so that the number of affirmative votes to readopt an
25 action vetoed by the Mayor shall be eight.

26 **SECTION 4.** The authority conferred by this act also includes authority to
27 amend other Charter provisions to conform them to the increase in the number of
28 members of the City Council, the increase in the number of single-member electoral

- 1 districts, and the increase, if any, in the number of members apportioned to the City of
2 Charlotte at large.
3 **SECTION 5.** This act is effective when it becomes law.