

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007**

**SESSION LAW 2007-310
SENATE BILL 116**

AN ACT TO PROVIDE STAGGERED FOUR-YEAR TERMS FOR THE
ELLENBORO TOWN COUNCIL, AND A FOUR-YEAR TERM FOR MAYOR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 2.2 of the Charter of the Town of Ellenboro, being Chapter 425 of the 1983 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 2.2. Town Council; Composition; Terms of Office. The Town Council shall be composed of 5 members, each of whom shall be elected for a term of ~~2 years~~ four years in the manner provided by Article III of this Charter, provided they shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified."

SECTION 2. Section 2.3 of the Charter of the Town of Ellenboro, being Chapter 425 of the 1983 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 2.3. Mayor; Term of Office; Duties. The Mayor shall be elected in the manner provided by Article III of this Charter to serve for a term of ~~2 years~~ four years or until his successor is elected and qualified. The Mayor shall be the official head of the Town government and shall preside at all meetings of the Council. He shall have the right to vote only when there are an equal number of votes in the affirmative and the negative on any motion before the Council. The Mayor shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as presently are or hereafter may be conferred upon him by the General Statutes of North Carolina, by this Charter, and by the ordinances of the Town."

SECTION 3. Section 3.2 of the Charter of the Town of Ellenboro, being Chapter 425 of the 1983 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 3.2. Election of Council Members. ~~At the regular municipal election in 1983 and biennially thereafter, all~~ All council members shall be nominated and voted upon by the voters of the Town voting at large. At the regular municipal election in 2007, the persons receiving the two highest numbers of votes are elected to four-year terms, and the three persons receiving the next highest numbers of votes are elected to two-year terms. In 2009 and quadrennially thereafter, three members are elected for four-year terms. In 2011 and quadrennially thereafter, two members are elected for four-year terms."

SECTION 4. Section 3.3 of the Charter of the Town of Ellenboro, being Chapter 425 of the 1983 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 3.3. Election of the Mayor. ~~At the regular municipal election in 1983, and biennially~~ 2007, and quadrennially thereafter, there shall be elected a Mayor to serve a term of ~~two~~ four years. The Mayor shall be elected by the voters of the Town voting at large."

SECTION 5. This act does not affect the terms of office of those elected in 2005.

SECTION 6. This act is effective when it becomes law.
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of
July, 2007.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives