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HOUSE BILL 229

Short Title: Stagger/Extend Terms of Town Officers/Halifax. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Wray.

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Referred to: Local Government, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

March 2, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HALIFAX IN HALIFAX  
COUNTY TO STAGGER THE TERMS OF THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND EXTEND THEIR TERMS TO FOUR YEARS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** The Charter of the Town of Halifax, as established in Volume VI of  
the 1757 Colonial Records of North Carolina and Volume XXV of the 1760 State Records of  
North Carolina, is amended by adding a new section to read:

"Section 2A. At the regular municipal elections in 2023, a Mayor shall be elected to serve a  
four-year term and five commissioners shall be elected, with the two candidates receiving the  
highest number of votes to serve four-year terms and the three candidates receiving the next  
highest number of votes to serve two-year terms. In 2025 and quadrennially thereafter, three  
commissioners shall be elected to serve four-year terms. In 2027 and quadrennially thereafter, a  
Mayor and two commissioners shall be elected to serve four-year terms."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

