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**HOUSE BILL 30
Committee Substitute Favorable 2/14/23**

Short Title: Reduce Length of Granville Bd. of Ed. Terms.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

January 31, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR FOUR-YEAR TERMS RATHER THAN SIX-YEAR TERMS
FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE GRANVILLE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Whereas, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina has approved modification of the consent order in United States of America v. Granville County Board of Education, et al., (No. 87-353-CIV-5), to allow four-year terms for Granville County Board of Education members; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Chapter 292 of the 1989 Session Laws reads as rewritten:

"Section 1. Following the 1989 special election ordered by the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, the Granville County Board of Education shall consist of seven members. One member shall be elected from each of the seven districts described in Section 10, according to the schedule in Sections 3, 4, 5 and 8. Only voters residing in a district may vote in the elections for that district, and only persons residing in a district may be candidates for or serve as the Board of Education member for that district. Except as provided below, all members shall serve ~~six-year~~ four-year terms, elections shall be held in even-numbered years at the same time as primaries for county offices, and newly elected board members shall take office at the time set by State law."

SECTION 2. Section 8 of Chapter 292 of the 1989 Session Laws reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 8. ~~In 1990 and every six years thereafter board members shall be elected from Districts 1, 2 and 6. In 1992 and every six years thereafter board members shall be elected from Districts 5 and 7. In 1994 and every six years thereafter board members shall be elected from Districts 3 and 4.~~ To implement staggered terms, members of the Granville County Board of Education shall be elected as terms expire as follows:

(1) In 2024 and every four years thereafter, board members shall be elected from Districts 3 and 4.

(2) In 2026 and every four years thereafter, board members shall be elected from Districts 1, 2, and 6.

(3) In 2028 and every four years thereafter, board members shall be elected from Districts 5 and 7."

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to elections for members of the Granville County Board of Education in 2024 and thereafter.

