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S 72. WAKE SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS. Filed 02/04/09. TO PROVIDE FOR ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AT-LARGE, AND TO MOVE THOSE ELECTIONS TO THE EVEN-NUMBERED YEAR, TO BE ELECTED IN NOVEMBER ON A PLURALITY BASIS.

Amends Section 7 of SL 1975-717, as amended, by providing that, beginning in 2010, the Wake County Board of Education shall be elected by plurality election method. Omits provisions requiring that elections occur by election and runoff method and that only persons registered to vote in the district must be permitted to file notices of candidacy in that district. Also amends Section 6 of SL 1975-717, as amended, by stating that four members are to be elected to four-year terms every four years beginning in 2010, and five members are to be elected to four-year terms every four years beginning in 2012. Extends the terms of the Wake County Board of Education members (1) elected in 2005 for terms expiring in 2009 until the first Monday in December of 2010, and (2) elected in 2007 for terms expiring in 2011 until the first Monday in December of 2012.

Repeals Section 5 of SL 1975-717, as amended, (establishing 9 voting precincts). Provides that when a vacancy is filled for terms expiring in 2010 and 2012, the replacement member must reside in the district from which the vacating member was elected in 2005 or 2007. **Intro. by Hunt.**WAKE