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## HOUSE DRH70171-LM-119A (03/14)

Short Title: Middlesex/Extend Mayor's Term to Four Years. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Collins.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLESEX TO EXTEND THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Section 3 of the Charter of the Town of Middlesex, being Chapter 21 of the 1908 Private Laws, as amended by Chapter 350 of the Private Laws of 1913, Chapter 159 of the Public-Local Laws of 1931, Chapter 498 of the 1945 Session Laws, Chapter 1178 of the 1953 Session Laws, Chapter 44 of the 1961 Session Laws, and Chapter 899 of the 1963 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"Section 1. At the regular election for the office of Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Middlesex in Nash County to be held on the first Monday in May, 1961, the two commissioners receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected and serve for terms of four years each and until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and the three commissioners receiving the next highest number of votes shall be elected and shall serve for a term of two years each and until their successors are elected and qualified. Thereafter, all commissioners elected at regular municipal elections shall be elected and shall serve for four-year terms each and until their successors are elected and qualified. Regular municipal elections shall be held in the Town of Middlesex in Nash County every two years and shall be conducted in accordance with the uniform municipal elections laws of North Carolina. In 2013, and quadrennially thereafter, two commissioners shall continue to be elected for a four-year term and each shall serve until his successor is duly elected and qualified. In 2015, and quadrennially thereafter, three commissioners shall continue to be elected for a four-year term and each shall serve until his successor is duly elected and qualified. The In 2013, and quadrennially thereafter, the mayor shall continue to be elected for a two-year four-year term and shall serve until his successor is duly elected and qualified. The term of office for the mayor and commissioners shall begin on the first Monday in July following the election."

**SECTION 2.** The Town Attorney of the Town of Middlesex shall submit this act to the Attorney General of the United States for preclearance under section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 within 30 days of this act becoming law, as provided by G.S. 120-30.9F. If this act is not so submitted, the Attorney General of North Carolina shall submit it under G.S. 120-30.9I.

**SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

