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SENATE BILL DRS35115-MK-94 (02/28)

Short Title: Carteret Co. Bd. of Ed. Partisan Election.

(Local)

Sponsors: Senator Sanderson (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE CARTERET COUNTY BOARD  
3 OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 1 of Chapter 774 of the 1991 Session Laws is repealed.

6 **SECTION 2.** Section 5(d) of S.L. 1997-389 reads as rewritten:

7 "(d) Members of the Carteret County Board of Education shall reside in and represent the  
8 districts, ~~but~~ beginning in 2018, all members shall be elected by the voters of the county at  
9 large in nonpartisan plurality elections a partisan election at the time of the primary general election  
10 in each even-numbered year as terms expire. Except as provided by this act, elections shall be  
11 conducted in accordance with Chapters 115C and 163 of the General Statutes. Candidates for  
12 election to the Carteret County Board of Education shall be nominated at the same time and  
13 manner as other county officers, and Members shall take office on July 1 the first Monday in  
14 December of the year of election, all as previously provided by law. ~~election and the terms of their~~  
15 ~~predecessors shall expire at that same time.~~

16 Vacancies on the Carteret County Board of Education for positions elected on a nonpartisan  
17 basis in 2014 or 2016 shall be filled in accordance with G.S. 115C-37(f). Vacancies on the Board  
18 of Education for positions elected on a partisan basis beginning in 2018 shall be filled in  
19 accordance with G.S. 115C-37.1."

20 **SECTION 3.** This act does not affect the terms of office of any person elected in 2014  
21 or 2016 to the Carteret County Board of Education. The members of the Carteret County Board of  
22 Education elected in 2014 or 2016, or any member appointed by the remaining members of the  
23 Board to fill a vacancy of a member elected in 2014 or 2016, shall serve until a successor has been  
24 elected and qualified.

25 **SECTION 4.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act  
26 are hereby repealed.

27 **SECTION 5.** Effective on the first Monday in December of 2018, G.S. 115C-37.1(d)  
28 reads as rewritten:

29 "(d) This section shall apply only in the following counties: Alleghany, Brunswick,  
30 Carteret, Cherokee, Clay, Davie, Graham, Guilford, Harnett, Iredell, Lee, New Hanover,  
31 Rutherford, Stanly, Vance, and Washington."

32 **SECTION 6.** This act is effective when it becomes law.



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