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HOUSE BILL DRH40182-LU-82

Short Title: Amend Winston-Salem Charter/Time of Election. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Montgomery.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM REGARDING
3 THE TIME OF ELECTION.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 12J of the Charter of the City of Winston-Salem, being Chapter
6 232 of the Private Laws of 1927, as amended by Section 1(d) of S.L. 2011-141, reads as rewritten:

7 "Sec. 12J. Time of Election; Terms.

8 (a) In ~~2013, 2022~~, the primary and election for mayor and council members shall be held
9 on the dates provided in ~~G.S. 163-279(a)(2)~~. G.S. 163A-1585(a)(2).

10 (b) The terms of the mayor and council members of the City of Winston-Salem elected
11 in ~~2013-2016~~ are extended by two years and expire at the organizational meeting after the ~~2016~~
12 2022 regular municipal election.

13 (c) Notwithstanding ~~G.S. 163-279~~, any provision of law to the contrary, the mayor and
14 council members elected in 2016-2022 shall each serve four-year terms, which terms shall expire
15 at the organizational meeting after the 2026 regular municipal election. In 2026, and
16 quadrennially thereafter, primaries and elections for mayor and city council shall be held at the
17 same time as for county officers as provided in G.S. 163-1, as provided by law."

18 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to elections held
19 on or after that date.

