

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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SENATE BILL 248  
PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE S248-PCS15345-BK-21

Short Title: Change No. of Members on Nash Co. Bd. of Ed.

(Local)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 9, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DECREASE THE SIZE OF THE NASH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SEVEN MEMBERS AND TO ALIGN THE DISTRICTS FOR THE NASH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH THE DISTRICTS OF NASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.(a)** Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 of Chapter 391 of the 1991 Session Laws are repealed.

**SECTION 1.(b)** Section 1 of S.L. 2006-87 is repealed.

**SECTION 1.(c)** Subdivision (3) of Section 7 of S.L. 2016-14 is repealed.

**SECTION 2.(a)** The Nash County Board of Education (Board) shall consist of seven members elected to staggered four-year terms.

**SECTION 2.(b)** Members of the Board shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis at the time of the general election in even-numbered years as terms expire. The election shall be conducted by the nonpartisan plurality method, and the results determined in accordance with G.S. 163-292. The filing period shall be from noon on the first Friday in July until noon on the third Friday in July of the even-numbered year. Persons elected to the Board shall take office on the first Monday in December following their election, and the terms of their office shall date and extend from that time. Except as otherwise provided by this act, elections shall be conducted in accordance with Chapters 115C and 163 of the General Statutes.

**SECTION 2.(c)** Members of the Board shall be elected from seven single-member electoral districts. The electoral districts shall be the same electoral districts as those for the Nash County Board of Commissioners. No person shall be eligible to file for, be elected to, or serve on the Board unless the person is a qualified voter and resident of the district from which the person seeks to be elected. Candidates shall be voted on by the voters residing in the district from which that candidate seeks election.

**SECTION 3.(a)** Notwithstanding Section 2 of this act, all members residing in Nash County who were elected to the Board in 2022 shall continue to serve on the Board until the end of their term or a vacancy occurs due to resignation or other causes.

**SECTION 3.(b)** In addition to the members serving on the Board in accordance with this section, all seven members of the Board shall be elected in 2024. In order to implement staggered terms, members shall be elected to the Board as follows:

(1) In 2024, and every four years thereafter, members from Districts 1, 3, and 4 shall be elected to serve a four-year term.



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1                   (2)    In 2024, members from Districts 2, 5, 6, and 7 shall be elected to serve a  
2                               two-year term. In 2026, and every four years thereafter, members from  
3                               Districts 2, 5, 6, and 7 shall be elected to serve a four-year term.  
4                   **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to elections held  
5 on or after that date.