

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 1999

HOUSE BILL 1536  
RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO PROVIDE STAGGERED TERMS FOR THE SYLVA TOWN  
COUNCIL AND TO PROVIDE FOR NONPARTISAN ELECTIONS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Section 5 of the Charter of the Town of Sylva, being Chapter 72 of the Private Laws of 1899, as amended by Chapter 27 of the 1957 Session Laws and Chapter 31 of the 1961 Session Laws, is rewritten to read:

"Section 5(a). Regular municipal elections shall be held in each odd-numbered year in accordance with the uniform municipal election laws of North Carolina. Elections shall be conducted by the Jackson County Board of Elections. Elections shall be conducted on a nonpartisan basis and the results determined using the nonpartisan plurality method as provided in G.S. 163-292.

Section 5(b). In 2001 and quadrennially thereafter, a mayor shall be elected for a four-year term. In 2001, five council members shall be elected. The two persons receiving the highest numbers of votes are elected to a four-year term, and the three persons receiving the next highest numbers of votes are elected to two-year terms. In 2003 and quadrennially thereafter, three council members are elected to four-year terms. In 2005 and quadrennially thereafter, two council members are elected to four-year terms."

Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 29th day of June, 2000.

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Dennis A. Wicker  
President of the Senate

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James B. Black  
Speaker of the House of Representatives