

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1989 SESSION

CHAPTER 29
HOUSE BILL 106

AN ACT TO EXPAND THE BLADEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE TO NINE MEMBERS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR NOMINATION AND ELECTION UNDER A MIXED ELECTORAL SYSTEM.

Whereas, an Interim Plan for electing members of the Bladen County Board of Education was in effect in 1988 under Federal Court order, and it is desired to continue that as permanent law; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Effective on the first Monday in December of 1988, the Bladen County Board of Education shall consist of nine members.

Sec. 2. (a) For the purpose of nominating and electing members of the County Board of Education, Bladen County is divided into three districts. Members of the Board of Education shall be elected as follows:

- (1) Six members will be nominated and elected on a partisan basis from the three districts described in subsection (b) of this section with two members elected from each district for four-year staggered terms. These members will be elected from separate numbered seats to which a majority vote requirement will apply for the primary election in accordance with G.S. 163-111.
- (2) Three members will be nominated and elected on a partisan basis, in 1988 for two-year terms, and in 1990 and quadrennially thereafter for four-year concurrent terms in countywide elections using limited voting in both the party primaries and the general election. In these primaries and general elections each voter will be entitled to vote for one candidate, and the top three vote getters will be nominated and elected by a plurality of votes.

(b) The districts for election of the Bladen County Board of Education shall be the same as the district for the election of the Bladen County Board of Commissioners as provided by Section 2 of Chapter 926, Session Laws of 1987, as may be amended from time to time.

(c) In District 1, one member shall be elected in 1988 and biennially thereafter for a four-year term. In District 2, one member shall be elected in 1988 and biennially thereafter for a four-year term. In District 3, one member shall be elected in 1988 and biennially thereafter for a four-year term.

(d) The three members of the Board of Education elected in 1986 for four-year terms shall continue in office until the first Monday in December of 1990.

Sec. 3. Chapter 258, Session Laws of 1967, is repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall become effective on the first Monday in December 1988.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of March, 1989.