

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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**HOUSE BILL 500
Committee Substitute Favorable 8/8/01**

Short Title: Local School Board Elections-Study.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 7, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO
3 STUDY ADDING TWO AT-LARGE MEMBERS TO THE BOARDS OF
4 EDUCATION IN COUNTIES WITH A POPULATION OVER 600,000, TO
5 STUDY CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR BOARDS OF EDUCATION
6 IN COUNTIES WITH A POPULATION OVER 600,000 FROM FOUR YEARS
7 TO TWO YEARS, AND TO STUDY CHANGES IN THE MANNER OF
8 ELECTION OF BOARDS OF EDUCATION IN COUNTIES WITH A
9 POPULATION OVER 600,000 SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR NONPARTISAN
10 PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

11 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

12 **SECTION 1.** The Legislative Research Commission may study the need for
13 adding two additional at-large members to the boards of education in counties with a
14 population greater than 600,000.

15 **SECTION 2.** The Legislative Research Commission may study term periods
16 for members of the local board of education in counties with a population greater than
17 600,000 to determine if the term length should be changed from four years to two years.

18 **SECTION 3.** The Legislative Research Commission may study altering the
19 election of boards of education in counties with a population greater than 600,000 to
20 provide for nonpartisan primary elections.

21 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.