GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003

SESSION LAW 2003-126
HOUSE BILL 499

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF LANDIS TO EXTEND THE MAYOR'S AND ALDERMEN'S TERMS OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 3.3(a) of the Charter of the Town of Landis, being Chapter 213 of the 1975 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"(a) ~~The~~ Beginning in 2003, the Mayor and members of the Board of Aldermen shall serve for terms of ~~two years; provided, they shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified pursuant to the General Statutes of North Carolina.~~four years, except as provided in this section. In 2003, the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes for Aldermen shall be elected to four-year terms, and the two candidates receiving the next highest number of votes for Aldermen shall be elected to two-year terms. In 2005, and quadrennially thereafter, two members shall be elected to four-year terms. In 2007, and quadrennially thereafter, two members shall be elected to four-year terms. The Mayor and members of the Board of Aldermen shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified pursuant to general law."

SECTION 2. Section 3.4 of the Charter of the Town of Landis, being Chapter 213 of the 1975 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 3.4. Organization of Board of Aldermen; Oaths of Office. – The Board of Aldermen shall meet and organize for the transaction of business at the first regularly scheduled meeting of the Board in December following each ~~biennial~~ regular municipal election, after the results of such election have been certified pursuant to the General Statutes of North Carolina. Before entering upon their offices, the Mayor and each Alderman shall take, subscribe to and have entered upon the minutes of the Board the following oath of office:

'I, _____, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and maintain the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution and laws of North Carolina not inconsistent therewith, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as _____, so help me, God.'"

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 2nd day of June, 2003.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

s/ Richard T. Morgan
Speaker of the House of Representatives