

1996 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL NO. 256

Offered January 10, 1996

A BILL to amend and reenact § 5.2 of Chapter 134 of the Acts of Assembly of 1988, which provided a charter for the City of Norton, relating to the school board.

Patron—Phillips

Referred to Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 5.2 of Chapter 134 of the Acts of Assembly of 1988 is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 5.2. Election of school board members; terms and compensation.

The school division shall have a board of five members, to be appointed by the city council from the residents and qualified voters of the city for terms of four years. If any appointee or a member shall cease to be a resident of the city, the office shall be deemed vacant. The council shall appoint five members at large from the city. Vacancies for whatever cause existing shall be filled by the council for the unexpired portion of the term. Present members of the school board shall remain in office until the expiration of their terms. The members shall be entitled to receive such compensation as shall be fixed by council, and approved in the Code of Virginia.

The school division shall have a board of five members elected at large by the qualified voters of the city for staggered terms of four years. The election and terms of school board members shall coincide with those of council members such that two school board members shall be elected at the general election in May, 1996, and every four years thereafter, and three school board members shall be elected at the general election in May, 1998, and every four years thereafter.

The appointed members whose terms expire on June 30, 1996, shall be replaced by the members elected in May, 1996. The remaining appointed members shall have their terms extended until June 30, 1998, and will be replaced by the members elected in May, 1998.

All candidates shall be nominated only by petition as provided by general law. No employee of the school board shall be eligible to serve as a school board member.

2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.

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