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SENATE BILL NO. 1225
Offered January 14, 2009
Prefiled January 13, 2009
A BILL to amend and reenact § 3.1, as amended, of Chapter 35 of the Acts of Assembly of 1974, which provided a charter for the Town of Fincastle, relating to elections.

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Referred to Committee on Local Government

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:
1. That § 3.1, as amended, of Chapter 35 of the Acts of Assembly of 1974 is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 3.1. Election, Qualification and Term of Office of Councilmen and Mayor.

(a) The town of Fincastle shall be governed by a town council composed of eight councilmen and a mayor, all or whom shall be qualified voters of the town. However, in the municipal election in May 1994 and every two years thereafter, there shall be elected six councilmen and a mayor who shall compose the council.

(b) The mayor and councilmen in office at the time of the passage of this act shall continue in office until the expiration of the terms for which they were elected, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. An election for mayor and councilmen shall be held on the first Tuesday in May 1974 and the mayor and councilmen shall constitute the town council, who shall hold office for a term of two years from July 1, next following the date of their election and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. Elections of mayor and councilmen shall be on the first Tuesday in May 1974 and on such Tuesday each two years thereafter.*However, beginning in 2010, the town's councilmen and mayor shall be elected at the time of the November general election and shall hold office for a term of two years from January 1, next following the date of their election and until their successors have been duly elected and qualified. Those councilmen and the mayor whose terms are set to expire on July 1, 2010, shall have their terms extended for six months until January 1, 2011.*