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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO REVISE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF LAURINBURG.  
The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The Charter of the City of Laurinburg is rewritten to read:

**"CHAPTER I.**

**"INCORPORATION AND CORPORATE POWERS.**

"Sec. 1-1. **Incorporation and Corporate Powers.** The inhabitants of the City of Laurinburg are a body corporate and politic under the name of the 'City of Laurinburg'. Under that name they have all the powers, duties, rights, privileges and immunities conferred and imposed on cities by the general law of North Carolina.

**"CHAPTER II.**

**"CORPORATE BOUNDARIES.**

"Sec. 2-1. **City Boundaries.** The boundaries of the City of Laurinburg are set out on a map entitled 'Boundary Map of the City of Laurinburg, North Carolina'. The map is maintained in the office of the City Clerk, as required by G.S. 160A-22.

**"CHAPTER III.**

**"GOVERNING BODY.**

"Sec. 3-1. **Structure of Governing Body; Number of Members.** The governing body of the City of Laurinburg is the City Council, which has five members and a mayor.

"Sec. 3-2. **Manner of Election of Council.** The qualified voters of the entire City elect the members of the City Council.

1 "Sec. 3-3. **Term of Office of Members of the City Council.** Members of the  
2 Council are elected to two-year and four-year terms. In 1989, and each two years  
3 thereafter, three members of the Council shall be elected. The two members receiving  
4 the larger number of votes shall serve for a term of four years and the remaining  
5 member so elected shall serve the term of two years.

6 "Sec. 3-4. **Election of Mayor; Term of Office; Voting Rights.** The qualified  
7 voters of the entire City shall elect the Mayor. He is elected to a two-year term of  
8 office. The Mayor shall not vote on any question before the Council except in case of a  
9 tie vote deadlocking a decision of the Council.

10 **"CHAPTER IV.**

11 **"ELECTIONS.**

12 "Sec. 4-1. **Conduct of City Elections.** City officers shall be elected on a  
13 nonpartisan basis, and the results determined by plurality as provided by G.S. 163-292.

14 **"CHAPTER V.**

15 **"ADMINISTRATION.**

16 "Sec. 5-1. **City to Operate under Council-Manager Plan.** The City of Laurinburg  
17 shall operate under the Council Manager Plan as provided in Chapter 160A of the  
18 General Statutes, Article 7, Part 2. The positions of City Clerk, City Tax Collector and  
19 Treasurer, formerly appointed by the Governing Body, shall be appointed by the City  
20 Manager."Sec. 2. The following local acts, having served their purpose, are repealed in  
21 their application to the City of Laurinburg:

22 Chapter 92, Public Laws of 1876-77

23 Chapter 144, Private Laws of 1883

24 Chapter 39, Private Laws of 1885

25 Chapter 220, Private Laws of 1889

26 Chapters 183 and 192, Private Laws of 1891

27 Chapter 206, Private Laws of 1897

28 Chapters 124 and 366, Private Laws of 1901

29 Chapter 229, Private Laws of 1905

30 Chapters 126, 306, and 427, Private Laws of 1907

31 Chapter 20, Private Laws, Extra Session of 1908

32 Chapter 558, Public Laws of 1909

33 Chapter 203, Private Laws of 1909

34 Chapter 623, Public-Local Laws of 1911

35 Chapters 175, 177 and 334, Private Laws of 1911

36 Chapters 117 and 125, Private Laws of 1913

37 Chapters 75 and 250, Private Laws of 1915

38 Chapter 95, Private Laws of 1921

39 Chapter 149, Private Laws of 1925

40 Chapter 39, Private Laws of 1927

41 Chapters 15 and 38, Private Laws of 1929

42 Chapter 70, Private Laws of 1935

43 Chapter 365, Public-Local Laws of 1939

44 Chapter 451, Public-Local Laws of 1941

- 1 Chapters 441 and 634, Session Laws of 1947
- 2 Chapters 282, 501, and 585, Session Laws of 1949
- 3 Chapters 5, 946, and 1142, Session Laws of 1951
- 4 Section 1 of Chapter 226, and Chapters 377 and 1256, Session Laws of 1953
- 5 Chapter 694, Session Laws of 1955, except for Section 36
- 6 Chapter 983, Session Laws of 1961
- 7 Chapter 1204, Session Laws of 1963
- 8 Chapter 143, Session Laws of 1981. Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.
- 9 This act does not affect the terms of office of the current Council members.