

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2003**

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**HOUSE BILL 1674**

Short Title: Zebulon Charter Amendment.

(Local)

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Sponsors: Representative Eddins.

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Referred to: Local Government I.

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May 26, 2004

1                                   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT CONCERNING FILLING OF VACANCIES IN THE BOARD OF  
3 COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF ZEBULON.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5           **SECTION 1.** Section 3.3 of the Charter of the Town of Zebulon, being  
6 Chapter 388 of the 1973 Session Laws, as rewritten by the Town under G.S. 160A-101  
7 and G.S. 160A-102, reads as rewritten:

8           "Sec. 3.3. Members of the Town Board of Commissioners shall hereafter be elected  
9 for four-year terms on a staggered basis as follows: at the regular municipal election to  
10 be held in 1977, the two candidates who receive the highest number of votes shall be  
11 elected for four-year terms, while the three candidates who receive the next highest  
12 number of votes shall be elected for two-year terms. Beginning at the regular municipal  
13 election to be held in 1979, and every four years thereafter, three members of the Board  
14 of Commissioners shall be elected to serve for four-year terms. Beginning at the regular  
15 municipal election to be held in 1979, and every four years thereafter, two members of  
16 the Board of Commissioners shall be elected to serve for four-year terms. Beginning at  
17 the regular municipal election to be held in 1981 and every four years thereafter the  
18 Mayor of the Town of Zebulon shall be elected for a four-year term.

19           In the event a vacancy occurs in the office of commissioner, the board shall, by a  
20 plurality vote, appoint some qualified person to fill the vacancy until the next general  
21 election, and the person appointed to fill the vacancy shall serve only until an elected  
22 successor takes office. The seats will be filled as follows from the votes cast at the  
23 election: the seats would be filled by plurality, and the seats that would normally be up  
24 for election shall be filled first based on the highest numbers of votes equal to the  
25 number of seats to be filled for full terms, and the unexpired term shall be filled based  
26 on the next highest number of votes."

27           **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.