S SENATE BILL 883\*

| Short Title: | Chadbourn Charter/Town Appointments. | (Local) |
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| Sponsors:    | Senator Smith (Primary Sponsor).     |         |
| Referred to: | State and Local Government           |         |

May 23, 2016

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHADBOURN TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN COUNCIL TO APPOINT THE TOWN CLERK AND FINANCE OFFICER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

 **SECTION 1.** Article IV of the Charter of the Town of Chadbourn, being Chapter 895 of the 1989 Session Laws, as amended by S.L. 2007-271, reads as rewritten:

## "ARTICLE IV. ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

- "Sec. 4.1. Form of Government. The Town shall operate under the council-manager form of government, in accordance with Part 2 of Article 7 of Chapter 160A of the General Statutes.
- "Sec. 4.2. Town Manager. The Council shall appoint a Town Manager who shall be responsible for the administration of all departments of the Town government. The Town Manager shall have all the powers and duties conferred by general law, except as expressly limited by the provisions of this Charter, and the additional powers and duties conferred by the Council, so far as authorized by general law.
- "Sec. 4.3. Town Clerk. The <u>Town Manager Council</u> shall appoint a Town Clerk to keep a journal of the proceedings of the Council, to maintain official records and documents; to give notice of meetings; and to perform such other duties required by law or as the Council may direct.
- "Sec. 4.4. Tax Collector. The Town Manager shall appoint a Tax Collector pursuant to G.S. 105-349 to collect all taxes owed to the Town, subject to general law, this Charter and Town ordinances.
- "Sec. 4.5. Town Attorney. The Council shall appoint a Town Attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina. It shall be the duty of the Town Attorney to represent the Town, advise Town officials and perform other duties required by law or as the Council may direct.
- "Sec. 4.6. Fire Chief. The Council shall appoint a Fire Chief qualified to perform the duties of chief of the Chadbourn Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad.
- "Sec. 4.6A. Finance Officer. The Council shall appoint a Finance Officer who shall serve at the pleasure of the Council. The Finance Officer shall perform the duties prescribed by Chapter 159 of the General Statutes, this Charter, and any other duties as may be directed by the Council.
- "Sec. 4.7. Other Administrative Officers and Employees. The Council may authorize other positions to be filled by appointment by the Town Manager, and may organize the Town government as deemed appropriate, subject to the requirements of general law."
  - **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

