

HOUSE BILL 1058: Jackson Co Bd of Ed Elections to Nov.

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House

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 1058 would do both of the following with respect to the Jackson County Board of Education:

> Change the time of the election from the primary to the general election.

> Change the method of election from the non-partisan election and runoff method to the non-partisan plurality method.

CURRENT LAW: The Jackson County Board of Education (Board) consists of five members, each representing a single-member residency district. The Board member filling the seat must reside in the district, but elections for all five seats are county-wide. Board members are elected through the non-partisan election and runoff method in accordance with G.S. 163-293 and serve staggered four-year terms. The election takes place at the time of the primary election in even-numbered years.

BILL ANALYSIS: The bill would provide that, beginning in 2026, the time of the election for the Board would be held at the time of the general election. The bill would also provide that, beginning in 2026, members of the Board would be elected using the nonpartisan plurality method in accordance with G.S. 163-292.

The bill would repeal earlier Session Laws related to the method and timing of election for members of the Board.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Effective December 7, 2026, with elections in 2026 and thereafter conducted accordingly.





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