



HOUSE BILL 6: Pamlico Co. Muni. Even-Yr. Elect.

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of the bill as it was
presented in
committee.**

2025-2026 General Assembly

Committee:	House Election Law. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	Date:	March 4, 2025
Introduced by:	Rep. Kidwell	Prepared by:	Hillary Woodard Staff Attorney
Analysis of:	PCS to First Edition H6-CSCHe-1		

OVERVIEW: *The Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) for House Bill 6 would provide that municipal elections in the Towns of Grantsboro, Minnesott Beach, Oriental, and Vandemere be held in even-numbered years at the time of the general election.*

CURRENT LAW: The following chart summarizes the current town officers, terms of office, and method of election in the Towns of Grantsboro, Minnesott Beach, Oriental, and Vandemere.

Unit of Government	Officers	Term of Offices	Election of Current Members	Method of Election
Town of Grantsboro	Mayor Council Members (5 members)	<u>Mayor:</u> four years <u>Council Members:</u> four years, not staggered	<u>Mayor:</u> Elected in 2023 <u>Council Members:</u> Elected in 2023	Nonpartisan plurality
Town of Minnesott Beach	Mayor Board of Commissioners (4 members)	<u>Mayor:</u> two years <u>Commissioners:</u> two years	<u>Mayor:</u> Elected in 2023 <u>Commissioners:</u> Elected in 2023	Nonpartisan plurality
Town of Oriental	Mayor Board of Commissioners (5 members)	<u>Mayor:</u> two years <u>Commissioners:</u> two years	<u>Mayor:</u> Elected in 2023 <u>Commissioners:</u> Elected in 2023	Nonpartisan plurality
Town of Vandemere	Mayor Board of Commissioners (5 members)	<u>Mayor:</u> two years <u>Commissioners:</u> two years	<u>Mayor:</u> Elected in 2023 <u>Commissioners:</u> Elected in 2023	Nonpartisan plurality

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BILL ANALYSIS: The PCS for House Bill 6 would provide that the municipal elections in the Towns of Grantsboro, Minnesott Beach, Oriental, and Vandemere would be conducted in even-numbered years, beginning in the following years:

- For the Towns of Minnesott Beach, Oriental, and Vandemere, with the 2026 elections. To implement this change, there would be no municipal elections for these Towns in 2025, and the current terms of office for the mayor and commissioners for each Town would be extended by one year. Regular municipal elections would resume in 2026 at the same time as the general election and would be conducted every two years thereafter.
- For the Town of Grantsboro, with the 2028 elections. To implement this change, there would be no municipal election in the Town of Grantsboro in 2027, and the current terms of office for the mayor and council members for the Town of Grantsboro would be extended by one year. Regular municipal elections in the Town of Grantsboro would resume in 2028 at the same time as the general election and would be conducted every four years thereafter.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Effective when it becomes law and applies to municipal elections held in the Towns of Grantsboro, Minnesott Beach, Oriental, and Vandemere on or after that date.