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**NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
AMENDMENT
Senate Bill 897**

AMENDMENT NO. A2
(to be filled in by
Principal Clerk)

S897-AST-209 [v.2]

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Amends Title [NO]
Second Edition

Date _____, 2016

Representative Ager

1 moves to amend the bill on page 1, line 4, through page 8, line 47, by rewriting those lines to read:

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6 "SECTION 1.(a) The City Council shall, on or before July 1, 2017, develop a plan for
7 electing the councilmembers that includes three single-member electoral districts and three
8 at-large members for use in the 2019 elections and thereafter. In developing the electoral districts,
9 the City of Asheville may establish and appoint an independent commission to make
10 recommendations to the City Council.

11 SECTION 1.(b) The City Council shall publish the preferred district map and make
12 available to the voters the statistical information used by the City Council to evaluate that district
13 map on or July 1, 2017.

14 SECTION 1.(c) The district map shall become effective only if approved by a
15 majority of the qualified voters of the City of Asheville in a referendum. The election shall be
16 conducted by the Buncombe County Board of Elections at the same time as the general election
17 for the councilmembers in 2017. The question on the ballot shall be:

18 "[] FOR [] AGAINST

19 Establishing single-member electoral districts in which three members of the Asheville
20 City Council would be required to reside and run and three members would run at-large.

21 SECTION 1.(d) Upon ratification of the approval by the voters of the referendum set
22 forth in Section 1(c) of this act, the district plan published in accordance with Section 1(b) of this
23 act shall be effective for elections held on or after January 1, 2019.

24 SECTION 2. Of the members elected to the City Council of the City of Asheville in
25 2017, those members shall serve two year terms if the majority of the voters approve the
26 referendum set forth in Section 1(c) of this act. Of the members elected to the City Council of the
27 City of Asheville in 2017, those members shall serve four year terms if the majority of the voters
28 do not approve the referendum set forth in Section 1(c) of this act.";



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1 and on page 9, lines 1-4, by deleting those lines.

SIGNED _____
Amendment Sponsor

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Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

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