

INTRODUCED BY: Lori A. Brill, County Manager DATE: 04/02/07 ITEM NO. 12

Resolution Formally Requesting that Representative Thomas Wright Immediately Withdraw House Bill 41, A Bill to be Entitled "An Act to Establish Electoral Districts for the Pender County Board of Commissioners"

SUBJECT AREA: Administrative

ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board of Commissioners respectfully requests that Representative Thomas Wright immediately withdraw House Bill 41 of the current legislative session, which is a bill to be entitled, "An Act to Establish Electoral Districts for the Pender County Board of Commissioners."

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

On January 16, 2007, by a vote of 3 to 2, the Pender County Board of Commissioners approved a resolution "Requesting Redistricting of Pender County Commissioner Districts". This resolution referenced a map including seven (7) voting districts and requested that each Commissioner be elected solely by the voters of the respective districts.

On February 5, 2007, by a vote of 4 to 1, the Board of Commissioners voted to ask Rep. Wright to rescind House Bill 41. On February 6, 2007 a letter was sent to Rep. Wright requesting this action. As of March 28, 2007 no response has been received from Rep. Wright and House Bill 41 remains a viable bill, currently referred to the House Committee on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform.

EVALUATION:

By taking this formal action it is hoped that Representative Wright will be guided by the will of the Pender County Board of Commissioners, who, in response to input from the Citizen's of Pender County have decided not to pursue this law at this time.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION:

For Board Consideration.

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RESOLUTION: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners that

Representative Thomas Wright is hereby formally requested to immediately withdraw House Bill 41, A Bill to be Entitled An Act to Establish Electoral Districts for the Pender County Board of Commissioners.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS _____

YEA VOTES: Rivenbark ___ Blanchard ___ Brown ___ Moore ___ Williams ___

F.D. Rivenbark, Chairman 04/02/07
Date

Attest 04/02/07
Date