

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 831  
HOUSE BILL 319

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE BOARDS OF ELECTIONS TO HOLD EXECUTIVE SESSIONS  
AFTER PUBLIC HEARINGS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**Section 1.** G.S. 143-318.11(a) is amended by adding a new subsection at the end to read:

"(19) To plan investigations and receive investigative reports requested by a board of elections concerning election frauds, irregularities, election contests, or violations of the election laws. Following a public hearing during which it is alleged or apparent that any election official may have committed an act of misconduct, a board of elections may meet in executive session to deliberate, adjudicate, and reach its decision on whether further action shall be ordered or whether no further action shall be ordered against any election official. Each member's vote on the decision shall be a matter of public record."

**Sec. 2.** This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 7th day of July, 1981.