

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
1983 SESSION

CHAPTER 411  
HOUSE BILL 281

AN ACT TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTION LAWS RELATIVE TO  
ACCESS TO THE VOTING ENCLOSURE, MAILING OF NOTICES OF  
CANCELLATION, USE OF TAX SUPPORTED BUILDINGS FOR VOTING,  
AND COUNTING OF PRIMARY BALLOTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 163-72.1(e) is rewritten to read:

"(e) When a county or municipal board of elections in this State receives from another county board of elections in this State, or from appropriate elections officials of another state or political subdivision in another state, a signed authorization directing the removal of a person's name from the county's or municipality's permanent registration records, the board shall remove the person's name from its registration records, provided however, that the registrant shall be reinstated by the chairman upon showing just cause."

Sec. 2. G.S. 163-72.1(f) is amended by deleting "one year" and inserting in lieu thereof "five years".

Sec. 3. G.S. 163-129 is amended in the second sentence of the first paragraph by inserting immediately after the word "thereof" the words ", or any other building, or a part thereof, which is supported or maintained, in whole or in part by or through tax revenues provided, however, that this section shall not be construed to permit any board of elections to demand and use any tax exempt church property for such purposes without the express consent of the individual church involved."

Sec. 4. G.S. 163-153(1) is amended by adding the words "supervisors of elections," between the words "county board of elections," and the words "and the precinct registrar".

Sec. 5. G.S. 163-169(e) is rewritten to read:

"(e) Counting Primary Ballots. In a primary election the ballots shall be emptied on a table in full view of the precinct election officials, ballot counters, if used, and witnesses present. Identically marked ballots may be arranged in orderly piles to be counted. The results of those counts shall be stated aloud and the totals recorded on the tally sheet. For all other ballots, the name of each candidate voted for shall be read aloud distinctly, and the vote received by each candidate shall be tallied on the tally sheet. This procedure shall be followed for all boxes being counted."

Sec. 6. This act shall become effective September 1, 1983.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 1st day of June, 1983.