GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2003

Short Title: Repeal Antiquated Laws. Sponsors: Senator Forrester. Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 2 AN ACT TO REPEAL ANTIQUATED LAWS. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 3 4 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 163-34 reads as rewritten: 5 "§ 163-34. Power of county board of elections to maintain order. 6 Each county board of elections shall possess full power to maintain order, and to 7 enforce obedience to its lawful commands during its sessions, and shall be constituted 8 an inferior court for that purpose. If any person shall refuse to obey the lawful commands of any county board of elections, or by disorderly conduct in its hearing or 9 presence shall interrupt or disturb its proceedings, it may, by an order in writing, signed 10 by its chairman, and attested by its secretary, commit the person so offending to the 11 common jail of the county for a period not exceeding 30 days. Such order shall be 12 executed by any sheriff or constable to whom the same shall be delivered, or if a sheriff 13 14 or constable shall not be present, or shall refuse to act, by any other person who shall be deputed by the county board of elections in writing, and the keeper of the jail shall 15 receive the person so committed and safely keep him for such time as shall be 16 mentioned in the commitment: Provided, that any person committed under the 17 provisions of this section shall have the right to post a two hundred dollar (\$200.00) 18 bond with the clerk of the superior court and appeal to the superior court for a trial on 19 the merits of his commitment." 20 21 SECTION 2. G.S. 72-31 is repealed. 22 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

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