

February 18, 2009

**H 220. WRITE-IN CANDIDATE RULE.** Filed 2/18/09. *TO PROVIDE THAT A LOSING PRIMARY CANDIDATE MAY NOT RUN AS A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE FOR ANY OFFICE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION THAT YEAR.*

GS 163-123(e) provides that if a person was a candidate in a primary election for a specific office and was not nominated, no write-in votes may be counted for that person in the general election for the same office. This bill amends the subsection to provide that no write-in votes may be counted for the person for *any* office contested in that general election. Effective as to elections held on or after September 1, 2009.

**Intro. by E. Floyd.**

GS 163

April 1, 2009

**H 220. WRITE-IN CANDIDATE RULE.** Filed 2/18/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes proposed amendment to GS 163-123(e). Amends GS 163-106(a) to amend the language of the pledge taken by every candidate for selection as the nominee of a political party to provide that if the individual is defeated in the primary, the individual will not run for the same (was, any) office as a write-in candidate in the next general election. Changes the effective date so that the act is effective January 1, 2010, and applies with respect to primaries and elections held on or after that date. Changes the title to *AN ACT TO REWRITE THE PLEDGE TAKEN BY PRIMARY CANDIDATES CONCERNING WRITE-IN CANDIDACY TO REFLECT THE WRITE-IN ELIGIBILITY STATUTE.*

June 1, 2009

**SL 2009-47 (H 220). WRITE-IN CANDIDATE RULE.** *AN ACT TO REWRITE THE PLEDGE TAKEN BY PRIMARY CANDIDATES CONCERNING WRITE-IN CANDIDACY TO REFLECT THE WRITE-IN ELIGIBILITY STATUTE.* Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 2/18/09 and 4/1/09. Enacted June 1, 2009. Effective January 1, 2010.