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HOUSE BILL 1239

Short Title: Restore Early Voting Period. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives L. Hall, Cunningham, Pierce, and Harrison (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of Sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly Web Site.

Referred to: Elections.

May 28, 2014

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO RESTORE THE FULL EARLY VOTING PERIOD.
3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 163-227.2(b) reads as rewritten:

5 "(b) Not earlier than (i) the third Thursday before the general election in even-numbered
6 years and the first primary election in even-numbered years or (ii) the second Thursday before
7 ~~an~~ any other primary or election, in which absentee ballots are authorized, in which a voter
8 seeks to vote and not later than 1:00 P.M. on the last Saturday before that election, the voter
9 shall appear in person only at the office of the county board of elections, provided in subsection
10 (g) of this section. A county board of elections shall conduct one-stop voting on the last
11 Saturday before the election until 1:00 P.M. That voter shall enter the voting enclosure at the
12 board office through the appropriate entrance and shall at once state his or her name and place
13 of residence to an authorized member or employee of the board. In a primary election, the voter
14 shall also state the political party with which the voter affiliates and in whose primary the voter
15 desires to vote, or if the voter is an unaffiliated voter permitted to vote in the primary of a
16 particular party under G.S. 163-119, the voter shall state the name of the authorizing political
17 party in whose primary he wishes to vote. The board member or employee to whom the voter
18 gives this information shall announce the name and residence of the voter in a distinct tone of
19 voice. After examining the registration records, an employee of the board shall state whether
20 the person seeking to vote is duly registered. If the voter is found to be registered that voter
21 may request that the authorized member or employee of the board furnish the voter with an
22 application form as specified in G.S. 163-227. The voter shall complete the application in the
23 presence of the authorized member or employee of the board, and shall deliver the application
24 to that person."

25 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to elections
26 held on or after September 1, 2014.

