

March 27, 2003

H 756. SAME DAY REGISTRATION. *TO PROVIDE FOR IN-PERSON REGISTRATION AND VOTING AT EARLY VOTING SITES AND AT CENTRAL SITES ON ELECTION DAY.* Repeals GS 163-82.6(d) and (e) and enacts new GS 163-82.6(f) allowing qualified person to register and vote in individual's county of residence at a one-stop voting site during the period for one-stop voting under GS 163-227.2 or at a central site provided for in-person registration and voting on election day. Requires each county to establish at least one central site determined using same process as that used for one-stop voting sites. Requires State Board of Elections to establish procedures for proving applicant's identity and residence. Provides that display of current and valid NC drivers license is sufficient proof of identity. Requires that person registering to vote under this subsection must vote immediately following registration. Votes cast on election day under this subsection will be treated as a one-stop absentee ballot except with respect to timing of counting of these ballots. Requires that votes under this subsection be counted unless county elections board determines under GS 163-82.7(b) that applicant is not qualified to vote at address given. Denials of registrations based on lack of verification of address under GS 163-82.7(f) may be grounds for an election protest if sufficient in number. Requires State Board of Elections to monitor implementation of act and to report to specified legislative committees during 2004 legislative session regarding implementation and expansion of election-day registration. Effective Jan. 1, 2004.

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Ref. to Election Law	GS 163
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