April 2, 2003

H 842. HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT COMPLIANCE. TO PROVIDE FOR A SYSTEM FOR ALL NORTH CAROLINA ELECTIONS THAT COMPLIES WITH THE HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT. Makes numerous changes to GS Ch. 163, Art. 7A, concerning the procedures and standards utilized for voter registration as follows: (a) amends GS 163-82.10(a) and adds new GS 132-1.2(4) (effective when bill becomes law) to provide that electronic voter information is confidential and not subject to disclosure; (b) adds new GS 163-82.11(c) to require that the State Board of Elections update voter registration lists to meet requirements of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 ("HAVA"); (c) requires that county boards of elections follow guidelines adopted by Board under that sec. and adds new 163-82.12(6) through (9) requiring that Board adopt guidelines to enable statewide voting system to validate voter information, interface with Division of Motor Vehicles system, and assign unique identifier to each voter; (d) adds new GS 163-82.19(b) to require creation of computerized interface between Board and Division systems; (e) adds new 163-166.7A requiring that county boards post certain information at voting places; (f) adds new GS 163-82.4(a)(10) to require that voter application forms request drivers license number or last four digits of applicant's social security number in lieu of that number and new GS 163-82.4(d) to include certain questions concerning applicant citizenship and age; (g) adds new GS 163-165.4A prohibiting the use of lever machine voting systems, effective when bill becomes law; (h) effective Jan. 1, 2006, expands GS 163-182.1 requirements for voting systems adopted by Board; (i) adds requirements to GS 163-166.01 concerning voting after polls have closed and to GS 163-166.11 concerning provisional voting; (j) adds new GS 163-166.12 establishing voting requirements for voters who registered by mail; (k) adds new Art. 8A establishing a procedure for resolution of complaints under HAVA; (I) adds new GS 163-245(c) through (e) concerning registration of uniformed services personnel by mail; and (m) establishes the validity of electronic signatures and documents under GS 163-82.10 and 163-82.6(b) (effective when bill becomes law). Makes technical corrections. Unless otherwise indicated above, provisions effective Jan 1, 2004.

Intro. by Michaux, Stam.

Ref. to Election Law	GS 132, 163

April 7, 2003

H 842. HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT COMPLIANCE. Intro. 4/2/03. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Amends GS 163-166.12(a)(2) to state that a copy of documents listed may be provided.

April 22, 2003

H 842. HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT COMPLIANCE. Intro. 4/2/03. House amendments make the following changes to 2nd edition. Add new section to bill to amend (1) GS 163-166.7(a) to provide that if chief judge states that person is duly registered, person shall sign pollbook, other voting record, or voter authorization document in accordance with subsection (c) before voting; and (2) GS 163-166.7(c) to add mandatory rule that voter, before voting, must sign voter's name on pollbook, other voting record, or voter authorization document; if voter is unable to sign, precinct official must enter person's name on same document before voter votes. Amend proposed new GS 163-82.19(b) to require Dep't of Transportation to enter into agreement with Comm'r of Social Security to comply with Sec. 303 of Help America Vote Act of 2002. Amend proposed new GS 163-82.27 to authorize State Board of Elections to adopt rules and guidelines to implement minimum requirements of Help America Vote Act of 2002.

May 28, 2003

H 842. HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT COMPLIANCE. Intro. 4/2/03. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Amends GS 163-82.10(a) to provide that disclosure of a drivers license under subsection shall not result in civil liability unless disclosure is a result of negligence, wanton conduct, or intentional wrongdoing that is otherwise actionable. Adds new GS 163-82.11(e) requiring that the State Board of Elections assist the Division of Motor Vehicles in providing county jury comm'n a list of registered voters and drivers license records of all persons residing in county. Amends GS 20-43.4, requiring that Comm'r of Motor Vehicles provide list of licensed drivers to county jury commissions, to further require that Comm'r provide jury commissions with driver's license numbers of county residents, compare the list of drivers against the voter registration list to eliminate duplicates, and identify voters according to whether they have current licenses and licensed drivers who are not registered voters. Amends GS 163-166.7(a) to require that precinct official (was, chief judge) determine if person is duly registered. Makes technical and conforming changes.

SL 2003-226 (H 842). HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT COMPLIANCE. AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A SYSTEM FOR ALL NORTH CAROLINA ELECTIONS THAT COMPLIES WITH THE HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT AND TO HELP PREVENT DUPLICATE NAMES ON JURY LISTS. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 4/2/03, 4/7/03, 4/22/03, and 5/28/03. Enacted June 19, 2003. Sections 1, 3-5, 12, 18, 21, and 22 of this act are effective June 19, 2003. Sections 11 and 13 are effective January 1, 2006. The remainder of this act is effective January 1, 2004.