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HOUSE BILL DRH10145-LU-70

Short Title: Reduce Early One-Stop Voting Days. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Davis.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF EARLY ONE-STOP VOTING DAYS.  
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 the ~~third Thursday~~ second Saturday before an election, in which  
6 absentee ballots are authorized, in which a voter seeks to vote and not later than 3:00 P.M. on the  
7 last Saturday before that election, the voter shall appear in person only at the office of the county  
8 board of elections, except as provided in G.S. 163-227.6. A county board of elections shall  
9 conduct one-stop voting on the last Saturday before the election from 8:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M.  
10 That voter shall enter the voting enclosure at the board office through the appropriate entrance  
11 and shall at once state his or her name and place of residence to an authorized member or  
12 employee of the board and present photo identification in accordance with G.S. 163-166.16. In a  
13 primary election, the voter shall also state the political party with which the voter affiliates and  
14 in whose primary the voter desires to vote, or if the voter is an unaffiliated voter permitted to  
15 vote in the primary of a particular party under G.S. 163-119, the voter shall state the name of the  
16 authorizing political party in whose primary he wishes to vote. The board member or employee  
17 to whom the voter gives this information shall announce the name and residence of the voter in  
18 a distinct tone of voice. After examining the registration records, an employee of the board shall  
19 state whether the person seeking to vote is duly registered. If the voter is found to be registered  
20 that voter may request that the authorized member or employee of the board furnish the voter  
21 with an application for absentee ballots. The voter shall complete the application in the presence  
22 of the authorized member or employee of the board, and shall deliver the application to that  
23 person."  
24 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to elections held  
25 on or after that date.

