

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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**HOUSE BILL 6
Committee Substitute Favorable 6/14/23**

Short Title: Uniformed Heroes Voting Act.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

January 26, 2023

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT FIRST RESPONDERS MAY NOT BE DENIED THE
3 OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE DUE TO APPEARING IN THE VOTING PLACE IN
4 UNIFORM.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 163-166.3 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7 "(a1) Uniforms in the Voting Place. – No person seeking to vote may be refused entry into
8 the voting place due to that person being a law enforcement officer, first responder, correctional
9 officer, probation officer, or member of the Armed Forces of the United States and appearing in
10 the uniform required by that person's employer. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to
11 allow denial of entry into the voting place due to attire when such denial is otherwise prohibited
12 by law."

13 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to elections on
14 or after that date.

