GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1985 SESSION

CHAPTER 211 HOUSE BILL 204

AN ACT TO PROVIDE BETTER NOTICE TO PERSONS WHOSE VOTER REGISTRATION IS BEING PURGED FOR FAILURE TO VOTE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 163-69(2) is amended by adding the following immediately after the third sentence:

"Included with or as a part of the notice shall be a postcard or other communication, preaddressed to the county board of elections, upon which the voter may state his current residence address, sign, and return. If the voter signs and returns the postcard or other communication, and indicates an address within the county, his name shall not be removed from the permanent registration records. If the address indicated is an address different from that appearing on the registration records, and is in a different precinct, the board of elections shall immediately transfer the voter's registration to his new precinct, and notify the voter by return mail of his new voting place and precinct."

Sec. 2. G.S. 163-69(2) is amended by adding the following at the end:

"In each county which maintains voter registration records on electronic data processing equipment and prepares the mailing list for orders to show cause from such records, the county board of elections shall permit the county chairmen of the two political parties having the greatest number of registered voters in the county to copy a list of the names, precincts, and addresses of all persons to whom notice to show cause has been sent under this subdivision, or shall provide a copy of that list to the chairmen. In all other counties, the county board of elections shall permit the county chairmen of the two political parties having the greatest number of registered voters in the county or his designee to review or inspect the names, precincts, and addresses of all persons to whom notice to show cause has been sent under this subdivision."

Sec. 3. This act shall become effective with respect to notices to show cause sent after July 1, 1985.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 20th day of May, 1985.