

# Constitution and Elections

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## **Various Criminal and Election Law Changes.**

SL 2024-16 (H237)

Section 5 of S.L. 2024-16, effective June 27, 2024, and applicable to contributions made or received on or after that date, restructures the reporting requirements for contributions made to candidate campaign committees and political committees in North Carolina by federal political committees and other political organizations. This bill was vetoed by the Governor on June 21, 2024, and the veto was overridden by the General Assembly on June 27, 2024.

## **Constitutional Amendment/Citizens-Only Voting.**

SL 2024-18 (H1074)

S.L. 2024-18 places a proposed amendment to the North Carolina Constitution revising the language regarding citizenship and the eligibility to vote on the November 5, 2024, ballot. If approved by the voters in that election, the amendment to the North Carolina Constitution will become effective upon certification of the results of the referendum.

## **SHALOM (Standing Up to Hate and Leading with Our Moral Principles) Act.**

SL 2024-27 (H942)

S.L. 2024-27 adopts a definition of antisemitism as a tool and guide for recognizing, combating, tracking, and reporting antisemitic incidents in North Carolina, and informing related training and education.

This act became effective July 1, 2024.

## **Residency Districts for Certain Sanitary Boards – Various General Local Laws.**

SL 2024-38 (H593), Sec. 2

Section 2 of S.L. 2024-38 requires certain sanitary districts to establish residency districts for use in their board elections. This section became effective July 8, 2024, and applies to elections held in 2025 and thereafter.

## **Allow Mixed Beverage Permittees to Purchase Spirituous Liquor from Any Designated ABC Store in the Same County and Modify Eligibility for Small Towns to Hold Alcohol Elections – ABC Omnibus 2023-24.**

SL 2024-41 (S527), Sec. 6

Section 6 of S.L. 2024-41 does all of the following:

- Allows a mixed beverage permittee to purchase spirituous liquor from any ABC board operating in the same county as the permittee. The purchase still must be made at an ABC store the board has designated to serve mixed beverages permittees.
- Allows a city to hold a malt beverage or unfortified wine election if it has a population of at least 400 according to the most recent census.
- Allows a city to hold a mixed beverage election if it has at least 200 registered voters.

This section is retroactively effective November 1, 2022, and applies to elections conducted on or after that date.