

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1991 SESSION

CHAPTER 428
HOUSE BILL 324

AN ACT TO REQUIRE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS TO FILE COPIES OF CERTAIN ELECTION RETURNS WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE IN A FORMAT PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE, SO AS TO ALLOW PUBLICATION OF THE RETURNS IN A TIMELY MANNER AND IN A READILY ACCESSIBLE FORMAT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 163-195 reads as rewritten:

"§ 163-195. **Secretary of State to record abstracts and general election results.**

(a) The Secretary of State shall record the State, district, and county abstracts filed with him by the State Board of Elections in a book to be kept by him for that purpose.

(b) Within seven days after the county board of elections meets to canvass the returns for the general election, the chairman of that board shall mail, or otherwise deliver, to the Secretary of State results of elections for:

President and Vice President of the United States

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and all other State executive officers

United States Senators

Members of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress

Justices, Judges, and District Attorneys of the General Court of Justice

State Senators

Members of the State House of Representatives

Constitutional amendments and propositions submitted to the voters of the State.

The chairman shall deliver the results in a format prescribed by the Secretary of State. The chairman shall use the same format to amend the results to reflect any recounts or changes in the data that he learns of later after the initial results are sent in.

The Secretary of State shall compile the results he receives in a document and deliver copies to the State Senate and the State House of Representatives within 90 days after the general election. The Secretary of State shall amend the document to correct any inaccuracies that later counts reveal in the data, and shall provide the House and Senate with the corrected data."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 27th day of June, 1991.

James C. Gardner
President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr.
Speaker of the House of Representatives