GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2023

SENATE BILL 921 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE ALL VOTERS TO PRESENT PHOTOGRAPHIC IDENTIFICATION BEFORE VOTING, NOT JUST THOSE PRESENTING TO VOTE IN PERSON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 2(4) of Article VI of the Constitution of North Carolina reads as rewritten:

"(4) Photo identification for voting in person. voting. Voters offering to vote in person shall present photographic identification before voting. The General Assembly shall enact general laws governing the requirements of such photographic identification, which may include exceptions."

SECTION 2. Section 3 of Article VI of the Constitution of North Carolina reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 3. Registration; Voting in Person. Voting.

. . .

(2) Voters offering to vote in person shall present photographic identification before voting. The General Assembly shall enact general laws governing the requirements of such photographic identification, which may include exceptions."

SECTION 3. The amendment set out in Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the State at the statewide general election to be held on November 3, 2026, which election shall be conducted under the laws then governing elections in the State. The question to be used in the voting systems and ballots shall be:

"[] FOR [] AGAINST

Constitutional amendment to require all voters, not just those presenting to vote in person, to present photo identification before voting."

SECTION 4. The State Board of Elections shall certify the results of the referendum conducted under Section 3 of this act. If a majority of votes cast on the question are in favor of the amendment set out in Sections 1 and 2 of this act, the Secretary of State shall enroll the amendment among the permanent records of that office. If a majority of votes cast on the question are against the amendment set out in Sections 1 and 2 of this act, the amendment shall have no effect.

SECTION 5. If the certification from the State Board of Elections under Section 4 of this act reflects that a majority of votes cast on the question are in favor of the amendment set out in Sections 1 and 2 of this act, the amendment set out in Sections 1 and 2 of this act is effective upon certification.



SECTION 6. Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 13th day of December, 2024.

s/ Carl Ford Presiding Officer of the Senate

s/ Mike Clampitt Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives