

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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HOUSE BILL 278

Short Title: Protect Military Votes. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Morey, Majeed, Ager, and Harrison (Primary Sponsors).  
*For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.*

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

March 5, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO CODIFY THE RULE OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS STATING  
COVERED VOTERS VOTING A NORTH CAROLINA MILITARY-OVERSEAS  
BALLOT ARE NOT REQUIRED TO INCLUDE PHOTO IDENTIFICATION WHEN  
CASTING A BALLOT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Part 1 of Article 21A of Chapter 163 of the General Statutes is amended  
by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 163-258.21. No photo ID required.**

A covered voter voting under this Article shall not be required to include a photocopy of  
identification described in G.S. 163-166.16(a) or an affidavit as described in  
G.S. 163-166.16(d)(1), (d)(2), or (d)(3) when submitting a ballot in accordance with this Article."

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



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