AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTION LAWS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 163-1 is amended by striking the word "Solicitors" and the words "Solicitorial district" and substituting for them the words "District Attorney" and "District Attorney district", respectively.

Sec. 2. G.S. 163-10 is amended by striking the word "solicitor" and substituting for it the words "district attorney".

Sec. 3. G.S. 163-72.1(a) is amended by striking the words and punctuation "(in triplicate)" in the second sentence and substituting for them the words and punctuation "(in duplicate)".

Sec. 4. G.S. 163-106(b) is amended by repealing the last paragraph of that subsection.

Sec. 5. G.S. 163-106(c) is amended by striking the words "All township offices".

Sec. 6. G.S. 163-107(b) is amended by repealing and rewriting the second paragraph to read as follows:

"If any person files a notice of candidacy and pays a filing fee to a board of elections other than that with which he is required to file under the provisions of G.S. 163-106(e), he shall be entitled to have the fee refunded in the manner prescribed in this subsection if he requests the refund before the date on which the right to file for that office expires under the provisions of G.S. 163-106(e)."

Sec. 7. G.S. 163-109(b) and (c) are amended by striking the words "solicitor" or "Solicitor" wherever they appear and substituting for them the words "district attorney" or "District Attorney", respectively.

Sec. 8. G.S. 163-109(d) is repealed.

Sec. 9. G.S. 163-111(e) is amended by adding a new sentence before the last sentence, to read as follows:

"The second primary is a continuation of the first primary and any voter who files a proper and timely affidavit of transfer of precinct, under the provisions of G.S. 163-72(c), before the first primary may vote in the second primary without having to refile the affidavit of transfer if he is otherwise qualified to vote in the second primary."

Sec. 10. G.S. 163-140(e) is repealed.

Sec. 11. G.S. 163-154(a)(3) is repealed.

Sec. 12. G.S. 163-1690) is repealed.

Sec. 13. G.S. 163-175 is amended by repealing the last paragraph.

Sec. 14. G.S. 163-177 is amended by striking the words "All township offices".

Sec. 15. G.S. 163-180 is amended by striking the words "township officers".

Sec. 16. G.S. 163-247(1) is repealed and rewritten to read as follows:

"(1) Federal postcard application form. At any time prior to the statewide primary or general election in which he seeks to vote, the applicant may make and sign a written application to the Secretary of State for absentee ballots on the postcard form prescribed in Public Law 712 of the 77th Congress. Upon
receiving such an application, the Secretary of State shall record the applicant's name and residence address on a record maintained for that purpose and immediately send the application to the chairman of the board of elections of the county in which the applicant has his residence, together with instructions for handling the application under the provisions of this Article."

Sec. 17. G.S. 163-251(b) is amended in the first sentence by striking the words "registered mail" and substituting for them the words "U.S. Mail".

Sec. 18. G.S. 163-294.2(b) is amended by striking the second and third sentences.

Sec. 19. G.S. 163-303 is repealed.

Sec. 20. Chapter 1116 of the Session Laws of 1965 is repealed.

Sec. 21. G.S. 163-35(b) is amended in the last sentence by deleting the words "G.S. 163-22(c)" and inserting in their place the words "G.S. 163-23".

Sec. 22. This act shall become effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 27th day of April, 1977.