

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 109

Short Title: Ratify Anti-Poll Tax Amendment.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives S. Thompson, Michaux, Miller; Barnhill, Blue, Bowman, Burke, Cunningham, Fitch, Gist, Hardaway, H. Hunter, Kennedy, and Locks.

Referred to: Judiciary.

January 30, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT RATIFYING THE 24TH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF
2 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, PROVIDING THAT THE RIGHT TO
3 VOTE SHALL NOT BE DENIED OR ABRIDGED BECAUSE OF THE FAILURE
4 TO PAY A POLL TAX.
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6 Whereas, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of
7 America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein) proposed
8 on August 27, 1962, the following amendment to the Constitution of the United States
9 of America, to become valid when ratified by the legislatures of the several states to wit:

10 **"ARTICLE ____**

11 "Section 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote in any primary or other
12 election for President or Vice President, for electors for President or Vice President, or
13 for Senator or Representative in Congress, shall not be denied or abridged by the United
14 States or any state by reason of failure to pay any poll tax or other tax.

15 Sec. 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this Article by appropriate
16 legislation."; and

17 Whereas, this proposed amendment to the Constitution on January 23, 1964,
18 was ratified by the necessary 38th state and was declared operative as the 24th
19 Amendment by proclamation on February 4, 1964; and

20 Whereas, North Carolina has not yet ratified this proposed amendment; Now,
21 therefore,

22 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

1 Section 1. The amendment to the Constitution of the United States of
2 America set out in the preamble to this act is ratified by the General Assembly of North
3 Carolina.

4 Sec. 2. A certified copy of this act shall be transmitted by the Secretary of
5 State to the National Archives and Records Administration, the Secretary of the United
6 States Senate, and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives.

7 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.