## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2013

## SESSION LAW 2013-343 SENATE BILL 406

AN ACT TO REPEAL LAWS AND ORDINANCES THAT WERE DENIED PRECLEARANCE UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Article 6A of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 120-30.9J. Repeal of acts and ordinances which were denied preclearance.

Any (i) city or county ordinance or resolution, (ii) act, policy, or resolution of a county board of elections, or (iii) public or local law enacted by the General Assembly, for which prior to June 25, 2013, either the United States Department of Justice interposed an objection or the United States District Court for the District of Columbia denied a declaratory judgment under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 is repealed. This section shall not apply to any ordinance, resolution, act, policy, or law to which the United States Department of Justice withdrew its objection or, after the United States Department of Justice interposed an objection, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia issued a declaratory judgment that such ordinance, resolution, act, policy, or law did not violate Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2013.

- s/ Daniel J. Forest President of the Senate
- s/ Thom Tillis Speaker of the House of Representatives
- s/ Pat McCrory Governor

Approved 4:29 p.m. this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2013

