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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE PHOTO IDENTIFICATION TO VOTE IN PERSON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Article VI of the Constitution of North Carolina is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(4) Photo identification for voting in person. 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.~~Registration; Voting in Person.

(1) Every person offering to vote shall be at the time legally registered as a voter as herein prescribed and in the manner provided by law. The General Assembly shall enact general laws governing the registration of voters.

(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 a statewide general election to be held in November of 2018, which election shall be conducted under the laws then governing elections in the State. Ballots, voting systems, or both may be used in accordance with Chapter 163A of the General Statutes. The question to be used in the voting systems and ballots shall be:

"[] FOR [] AGAINST

Constitutional amendment to require voters to provide photo identification before voting in person."

SECTION 4. 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 Bipartisan State Board of Elections and Ethics Enforcement shall certify the amendment to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall enroll the amendment so certified among the permanent records of that office.

SECTION 5. The amendments set out in Sections 1 and 2 of this act are effective upon certification.

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

