

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1047

Short Title: Voter Safety.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Alexander; Goodwin and Wainwright.

Referred to: Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform.

April 10, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR REGISTERED VOTERS TO ADDRESS
2 SAFETY MEASURES.

3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 163-82.10 is amended by adding a new subsection to
5 read:

6 "(d) Exception for Address of Certain Registered Voters. – Notwithstanding
7 subsections (b) and (c) of this section, if a registered voter submits to the county board
8 of elections a signed statement that the voter has good reason to believe that the
9 physical safety of the voter or a member of the voter's family residing with the voter
10 would be jeopardized if the voter's address were open to public inspection, that voter's
11 address is not a public record, and the registrar shall exclude that voter's address from
12 public inspection. That voter's name, precinct, and the other data contained in that
13 voter's registration record remain a public record. That voter's signed statement is also a
14 public record, but shall be kept confidential. That voter's address shall be available for
15 inspection by a law enforcement agency or by a person identified in a court order, if
16 inspection of the address by that person is directed by that court order."

17 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2001.
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