

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013**

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**HOUSE BILL 607
Committee Substitute Favorable 7/10/13**

Short Title: Require Use of Paper Ballots.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 9, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT
3 COMMITTEE TO STUDY WHETHER TO REQUIRE THE USE OF PAPER BALLOTS
4 IN ALL ELECTIONS IN NORTH CAROLINA AND TO PROHIBIT THE STATE
5 BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR ANY COUNTY FROM PURCHASING A VOTING
6 SYSTEM THAT DOES NOT PRODUCE A PAPER BALLOT UNTIL AUGUST 15,
7 2014.

8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9 **SECTION 1.(a)** The Joint Legislative Elections Oversight Committee shall study
10 the topics listed in this act and shall report its findings, together with any recommended
11 legislation, to the 2014 Regular Session of the 2013 General Assembly upon its convening.

12 **SECTION 1.(b)** Require Use of Paper Ballots (H.B. 607 – Jones). – The
13 Committee may study requiring the use of paper ballots in all elections in North Carolina.

14 **SECTION 2.** No voting system that does not produce a paper ballot may be
15 purchased by the State Board of Elections or any county until August 15, 2014. The State
16 Board of Elections may establish a program to provide for the exchange of machines between
17 counties and the exchange or purchase of parts by and between counties.

18 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

