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**HOUSE BILL 1188
Committee Substitute Favorable 4/24/01**

Short Title: Protection of Voter Rolls.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 12, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO ALLOW PROTECTION OF VOTER RECORDS IN CASE OF
2 DOMESTIC ABUSE PROTECTIVE ORDERS.

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 copy of a protective order issued to that person under G.S. 50B-3 or a
9 lawful order of any court of competent jurisdiction restricting the access or contact of
10 one or more persons with a registered voter, accompanied by a signed statement that the
11 voter has good reason to believe that the physical safety of the voter or a member of the
12 voter's family residing with the voter would be jeopardized if the voter's address were
13 open to public inspection, that voter's address is not a public record, and the registrar
14 shall exclude that voter's address from public inspection as long as the order remains in
15 effect. That voter's name, precinct, and the other data contained in that voter's
16 registration record remain a public record. That voter's signed statement is also a public
17 record but shall be kept confidential. That voter's address shall be available for
18 inspection by a law enforcement agency or by a person identified in a court order, if
19 inspection of the address by that person is directed by that court order."

20 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective December 1, 2001.
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