

# Statute N.C.G.S. 163-226.3

Violation of this law is a Class 1 Felony and it reads as follows:

Owners, managers, directors, and employees of **hospitals, clinics, nursing homes or rest homes (“Facilities”)** are legally prohibited from assisting their patients or residents with absentee voting Assistance includes making a request for an absentee ballot, serving as a witness for the voter, marking the voter’s absentee ballot or assisting the voter in marking an absentee ballot, or assisting the voter with filling out the envelope.

## **One-Stop Absentee (Early) Voting**

One-stop absentee voting (in-person absentee voting, or early voting) allows registered voters to go in person to their county board of elections office (or an alternative location) to vote an absentee ballot. **One-stop absentee voting is conducted starting on the third Thursday before the election and ends on the last Saturday before the election. During the one-stop early voting period, you may register to vote and vote on the same day.**

**As you know we have this on video occurring in Columbus County the last election.**

Click here for more information on [One-stop Absentee Voting](#).

This statute was clearly violated, the organization that that did this has done this for years, and it’s time for it to stop.

**MAT (Multipartisan Assistance Teams) are the ‘legal’ way to do this and we had that team in Columbus County.**

Click on the link to read about it.

<https://www.ncsbe.gov/voting/help-voters-disabilities/assistance-voters-care-facilities>

**It's time we fix this in Columbus County, I'm on a mission to get it done.**