

HOUSE BILL NO. 1430

Introduced by

Representative Klein

Senator Krebsbach

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivisions c, d, and e of subsection 2 of section
2 16.1-07-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to early voting.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subdivisions c, d, and e of subsection 2 of section
5 16.1-07-15 of the North Dakota Century Code are amended and reenacted as follows:

6 c. The county auditor shall designate a space in a government-controlled facility,
7 or with the consent of the owner or lessee, a facility open to the public
8 containing a storage area that can be locked and made available only to the
9 county auditor, authorized staff members of the county auditor's office, and
10 the early voting precinct election board, accessible to the elderly and the
11 physically disabled as provided in section 16.1-04-02, to locate the early
12 voting precinct.

13 d. At the close of each day of early voting, the inspector, along with a judge from
14 each political party represented on the board, shall secure all election-related
15 materials, including:

16 (1) The pollbooks and access to any electronically maintained pollbooks.

17 (2) ~~Any stamp and inkpad.~~

18 ~~(3)~~ The ballot boxes containing voted ballots.

19 ~~(4)~~ (3) Any void, spoiled, and unvoted ballots.

20 e. Ballot boxes containing ballots cast at an early voting precinct may not be
21 opened until the day of the election except as may be necessary to clear a
22 ballot jam or to move voted ballots to a separate locked ballot box in order to
23 make room for additional ballots.