IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA EASTERN DIVISION No. 4:23-CV-193-D

RODNEY D. PIERCE and MOSES MATTHEWS,)
Plaintiffs,)
v.) ORDER
)
THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE) .
BOARD OF ELECTIONS, et al.,)
)
Defendants.)

On December 6, 2023, defendants Phillip E. Berger, in his official capacity as President pro tempore of the North Carolina Senate, and Timothy K. Moore, in his official capacity as the Speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives, (collectively, the "Legislative defendants") moved for an extension of time to respond to plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction [D.E. 25]. On December 7, 2023, plaintiffs responded in opposition [D.E. 26], and the Legislative defendants replied [D.E. 27].

The court has reviewed the motion, the opposition, the reply, the record, and the governing law. The court finds good cause to grant the motion.

In sum, the court GRANTS the Legislative defendants' motion for extension of time to respond to plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction [D.E. 25]. The Legislative defendants and the North Carolina State Board of Elections defendants shall have until and including December 22, 2023, to respond to plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction.

SO ORDERED. This <u>8</u> day of December, 2023.

IAMES C. DEVER III

United States District Judge