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PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 8 (2023-2024) [VARIOUS STATUTORY CHANGES. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Jan 25 2023, *AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES.*

AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES. SL 2023-132. Enacted September 29, 2023.
Effective September 29, 2023.

Intro. by Paré, Torbett, Blackwell, Hardister.

[GS 66](#), [GS 90](#), [GS 93A](#), [GS 93E](#), [GS 115C](#), [GS 116](#), [GS 130A](#)

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[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Higher Education, Government, State Agencies, Community Colleges System Office, UNC System, Department of Public Instruction, State Board of Elections](#)

H 125 (2023-2024) [NC HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES WORKFORCE ACT \(NEW\)](#). Filed Feb 15 2023, *AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICEMEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO EVALUATE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS AND, IF APPROPRIATE, DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE AIDE I EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION; TO UPDATE GENERAL STATUTES GOVERNING THE PRACTICE OF AUDIOLOGY TO BETTER REFLECT THE CHANGES IN EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION TO ENHANCE THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF NC CITIZENS; TO ADJUST MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR DENTAL PROCEDURES PERFORMED IN AMBULATORY CENTERS; AND TO UPDATE THE DEFINITION OF A BAR IN THE SANITATION STATUTES.*

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Intro. by White, Bradford, Riddell.

GS 14, GS 15A, GS 90, GS 93D, GS 130A, GS 131E

Alcoholic Beverage Control, Business and Commerce, Occupational Licensing, Courts/Judiciary, Juvenile Law, Abuse, Neglect and Dependency, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Government, General Assembly, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, State Government, Executive, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers, Health Insurance, Social Services, Child Welfare, Public Assistance, Military and Veteran's Affairs

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H 142 (2023-2024) **PROTECT OUR STUDENTS ACT-AB. (NEW)** Filed Feb 16 2023, *AN ACT TO MODIFY PENALTIES AND DEFINITIONS FOR CERTAIN SEX OFFENSES AGAINST STUDENTS, TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR THE FAILURE OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS TO REPORT CERTAIN MISCONDUCT TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO SHOW STUDENTS IN GRADES SIX THROUGH TWELVE A VIDEO PRODUCED BY THE CENTER FOR SAFER SCHOOLS CONTAINING AGE-APPROPRIATE INFORMATION ABOUT SEXUAL ABUSE, AND TO DEFINE CONDUCT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT AS IT PERTAINS TO THE FORFEITURE OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION; TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH ITS ELECTORAL DISTRICTS; AND TO REQUIRE THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO STUDY MERGING THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT AND THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.*

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Intro. by Torbett, K. Baker, Johnson, Kidwell.

Buncombe, GS 14, GS 115C, GS 128, GS 135

Courts/Judiciary, Juvenile Law, Abuse, Neglect and Dependency, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Employment and Retirement, Government, Elections, State Government, State Personnel, Local Government, Health and Human Services, Social Services, Child Welfare

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H 600 (2023-2024) **REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2023.** Filed Apr 13 2023, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.*

The Governor vetoed the act on October 2, 2023. The Governor's objections and veto message are available here: <https://webservices.ncleg.gov/ViewBillDocument/2023/7388/0/H600-BD-NBC-11459>

Intro. by Riddell, Zenger, Brody, Chesser.

STUDY, GS 14, GS 20, GS 44A, GS 62, GS 90, GS 90D, GS 95, GS 106, GS 110, GS 113, GS 113A, GS 115C, GS 130A, GS 131E, GS 131F, GS 136, GS 143, GS 143B, GS 150B, GS 153, GS 153A, GS 160A, GS 160D, GS 162A, GS 166A

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Business and Commerce, Occupational Licensing, Development, Land Use and Housing, Building and Construction, Environment, Aquaculture and Fisheries, Environment/Natural Resources, Government, APA/Rule Making, State Agencies, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Department of Environmental Quality (formerly DENR), Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Labor, Department of Public Safety, Department of Transportation, Local Government, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers, Lottery and Gaming, Nonprofits

PUBLIC/SENATE BILLS

S 211 (2023-2024) [PERMIT MULTISTATE WATER/SEWER AUTHORITY](#). Filed Mar 6 2023, *AN ACT TO ALLOW POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM ADJOINING STATES TO BE MEMBERS OF A NORTH CAROLINA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY.*

AN ACT TO ALLOW POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM ADJOINING STATES TO BE MEMBERS OF A NORTH CAROLINA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY. SL 2023-126. Enacted September 29, 2023. Effective September 29, 2023.

Intro. by Moffitt.

[GS 162A](#)

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Government, Local Government, Public Enterprises and Utilities

S 477 (2023-2024) [AMEND BUS. CORP. ACT/BUS. OPP. DISCLOSURES](#). Filed Apr 3 2023, *AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATIVE STATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY SELLERS THAT FILE COMPARABLE DISCLOSURES WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, TO MODIFY THE RIGHT OF A SHAREHOLDER OF A CORPORATION TO INSPECT THE RECORDS OF A SUBSIDIARY ENTITY OF THAT CORPORATION, AND TO STANDARDIZE THE EVIDENCE REQUIRED TO PROVE A DEBT.*

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Intro. by Galey, Overcash.

[GS 55, GS 58, GS 66](#)

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Business and Commerce, Corporation and Partnerships,

Government, State Agencies, Secretary of State

S 531 (2023-2024) **DAM SAFETY LAW CLARIFICATION**. Filed Apr 3 2023, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE DAM SAFETY LAW TO ALLOW PHASED COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW.*

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DAM SAFETY LAW TO ALLOW PHASED COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW. SL 2023-131. Enacted September 29, 2023. Effective September 29, 2023.

Intro. by Hise.

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Environment, Government, State Agencies, Department of Environmental Quality (formerly DENR)

S 579 (2023-2024) **PREVENT HARM TO CHILDREN**. Filed Apr 4 2023, *AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, AND TO MODIFY CERTAIN OFFENSES RELATED TO PUBLIC MORALITY AND DECENCY.*

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Intro. by B. Newton, Britt, Daniel.

GS 14

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Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure

S 678 (2023-2024) **CLEAN ENERGY/OTHER CHANGES. (NEW)** Filed Apr 6 2023, *AN ACT TO (I) DEFINE "CLEAN ENERGY," WHICH INCLUDES "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AND NUCLEAR AND FUSION ENERGY; (II) ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (III) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (IV) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT; AND (VII) ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION EXEMPTIONS FOR THE UTILITIES COMMISSION AND PUBLIC STAFF.*

The Governor vetoed the act on October 2, 2023. The Governor's objections and veto message are available here: <https://webservices.ncleg.gov/ViewBillDocument/2023/7387/0/S678-BILL-NBC-11458>

Intro. by P. Newton, B. Newton, Craven.

GS 62, GS 126, GS 130A, GS 132, GS 143B, GS 159

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Employment and Retirement, Environment, Energy, Environment/Natural Resources, Government, Public Records and Open Meetings, State Government, State Personnel, Local Government, Public Enterprises and Utilities

S 755 (2023-2024) [CONFIRM QUINTIN MCGEE, SPECIAL SUP. CT. JUDGE](#). Filed Oct 2 2023, *A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT OF QUINTIN MCGEE AS A SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE.*

Contains whereas clauses. Confirms Quintin McGee as a judge of the Special Superior Court for a term ending five years from his appointment by Governor Cooper.

Intro. by Rabon.

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ACTIONS ON BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS

H 600: [REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2023.](#)

House: Vetoed 10/02/2023

House: Received from the Governor

S 678: [CLEAN ENERGY/OTHER CHANGES. \(NEW\)](#)

Senate: Vetoed 10/02/2023

S 755: [CONFIRM QUINTIN MCGEE, SPECIAL SUP. CT. JUDGE.](#)

Senate: Filed

No local actions on bills

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