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PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 183 (2013-2014) DELAY TRANSFER/CLEVELAND COUNTY CORR. FAC. (NEW). Filed Feb 27 2013, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELAY THE TRANSFER DATE OF THE CLEVELAND COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELAY THE TRANSFER DATE OF THE CLEVELAND COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY. Enacted June 24, 2014. Effective June 24, 2014.

Intro. by T. Moore. Cleveland

View summary

Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Corrections (Sentencing/Probation)

H 189 (2013-2014) AMEND INFO./CHILD SUPP. ORDERS Filed Feb 28 2013, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS REGARDING INFORMATION PROVIDED TO NONCUSTODIAL PARENTS SUBJECT TO WAGE WITHHOLDING ORDERS UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO CHILD SUPPORT, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE UNIFORM DEPLOYED PARENTS CUSTODY AND VISITATION ACT, TO MODERNIZE THE BUSINESS COURT BY MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE PROCEDURES FOR COMPLEX BUSINESS CASES, TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS OF CORPORATE REORGANIZATION UTILIZING HOLDING COMPANIES, TO ALLOW FOR SHAREHOLDER ASSENT TO EXCLUSIVE FORUM, AND TO CREATE A THREE-JUDGE PANEL TO RULE ON CLAIMS THAT AN ACT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS FACIALLY INVALID BASED UPON THE NORTH CAROLINA OR UNITED STATES CONSTITUTIONS.

Senate amendment #1 to the 3rd edition adds the following.

Amends GS 7A-27(a) regarding appeals of right from trial division courts to expand the cases in which the appeal by right lies directly with the Supreme Court to include any final judgment in a case (1) designated as a mandatory complex business case under GS 7A-45.4, (2) designated as a discretionary complex business case under Rule 2.1 of the General Rules of Practice for the Superior and District Courts (3) from any interlocutory order of a Business Court Judge which affects a substantial right, determines the action and prevents a judgment from which an appeal might be taken, discontinues the action, or grants or refuse a new trial. Applies to actions designated as mandatory complex business cases on or after October 1, 2014.

Requires appeals under GS 7A-27(a)(2) and GS 7A-27(a)(3) be taken according to the NC Rules of Appellate Procedure applicable to civil cases.

Amends GS 7A-45.3 to require a presiding Business Court Judge to issue a written opinion in connection with any order granting or denying a motion under GS 1A-1 Rule 12, 56, 59, or 60, or any order finally disposing of a complex business case.

Amends GS 7A-45.4 regarding the designation of an action as a complex business case. Permits any party to designate an action as a mandatory complex business case when the action involves a material issue related to: (1) disputes involving the law governing corporations, except charitable and religious organizations qualified on the grounds of

religious purposes, partnerships, and limited liability companies, including disputes arising under General Statutes chapters 55, 55A, 55B, 57D, and 59; (2) disputes involving securities law, including those arising under GS Chapter 78A; (3) disputes involving an antitrust or unfair competition law; (4) disputes involving trademark law; (5) disputes involving ownership, use, licensing, lease, installation, or performance of intellectual property; (6) disputes involving trade secrets except those involving enforcement of a noncompetition or non solicitation covenant; and (7) certain contract disputes in which all of the specified conditions are met including that the amount in controversy is computed as at least \$1 million. Requires that the following actions must be designated as mandatory complex business cases: (1) an action involving a material issue related to tax law that has been the subject of a contested tax case for which judicial review is requested under GS 105-241.16 or that is a civil action under GS 105-241.17 containing a constitutional challenge to a tax statute as applied to the plaintiff; (2) an action described in specified subdivisions of subsection (a) of GS 7A-45.4 in which the amount in controversy computed in accordance with GS 7A-243 is at least \$5 million; and (3) an action brought pursuant to GS 62-350, which involves regulation of pole attachments. Requires the party designating an action as a mandatory complex business case to file a Notice of Designation in the Superior Court in which the action has been filed and to at the same time serve notice on each opposing party or counsel and on the Superior Court Judge for Complex Business Cases. Additionally requires contemporaneous transmission of the notice by e-mail to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court for approval of the designation as a mandatory complex business case and assignment to a specific Business Court Judge. Provides that failing to designate an action as a mandatory complex business case when it is required to be designated as such under subsection (b) of this section, requires the Superior Court in which the action has been filed to either dismiss the action without prejudice or stay the action until it has been properly designated as a mandatory complex business case under this section. Require the opposition to the designation of an action as a mandatory complex business case to assert all ground on which the party objects and any not asserted are conclusively waived. Requires any party opposing a stay, to within 30 days after the entry of the order staying a pending action, to file an objection with the Business Court asserting all grounds on which the party objects; any not asserted are conclusively waived. Requires the Business Court Judge (was, allowed), to rule by written order on the opposition or objection, based on the opposition or on its own motion. Provide that if an action required to be designated as a mandatory complex business case is not so designated, the Superior Court in which the action has been filed must stay the action until it has been designated as such. Requires the designating part to pay the filing fee. Nothing in this section is intended to permit actions for personal injury grounded in tort to be designated as mandatory complex business cases. Effective October 1, 2014.

Amends GS 7A-305(a)(2) to increase the filing fee for complex business cases to \$1,100 (was, \$1,000). Also provides that if a court on its own motion assigns a case to a special superior court judge as a complex business case under GS 7A-45.3, the plaintiff is required to pay an additional \$1,100 (was, \$1,000) for support of the General Court of Justice. Adds that the fee upon assigning a case as a complex business case is assessable or recoverable. Effective October 1, 2014.

Amends GS 7A-343 to expand the duties of the Director, who is the Administrative Officer of the Courts, to include a requirement that the Director prepare and submit a semiannual report on the activities of each North Carolina business court site to the Chief Justice and to each member of the General Assembly. Provides specifications as to the content and scope of this report and declares it to be separate from the report currently required under subdivision (8) of this section.

Enacts new GS 55-11-11, Merger to effect a holding company reorganization. Sets out six terms and definitions to be used in this section, including company official, holding company, and surviving entity. Provides that, unless expressly required by articles of incorporation, no vote by the shareholders is required to authorize a merger with or into a single direct or indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the constituent corporation if eight specified conditions are satisfied, including that the constituent corporation and the direct/indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the constituent corporation are the only constituent entities to the merger, and the directors of the constituent corporation become or remain the directors of the holding company upon the effective time of the merger. Provides that if the organizational documents of the surviving entity do not contain certain, specified provisions as outlined in the act, then the organizational documents must be amended in the merger to contain the specified provisions. Allows organizational documents to be amended in the merger to reduce the number of classes and shares of capital stock or other equity

interests. Effective August 1, 2014.

Provides that no provision of this act or provision found in an entity's organizational documents can be deemed or construed to require approval of the shareholders of the holding company to elect or remove directors/managers/managing members of the governing body of the surviving entity. Sets out three provisions which apply from and after the effective time of a merger adopted by a constituent corporation by its board of directors and without a vote of shareholders, including that to the extent a shareholder of the corporation, immediately prior to the merger, had standing to institute or maintain derivative litigation on behalf of the constituent corporation, than nothing in this act limits or extinguishes that standing. Effective August 1, 2014.

Sets out certain requirements for certifying a plan of merger pursuant to these provisions. Requires the secretary or assistant secretary to certify the plan of merger. Provides that no certification is required if a certificate of merger or consolidation is registered in lieu of filing the plan of merger. Requires plans to be filed in order to become effective. Effective August 1, 2014.

Amends GS 55-11-06, concerning the effect of merger or share exchange, updating statutory references. Effective August 1, 2014.

Amends Article 26A of GS Chapter 1. Rewrites the title of Article 26A as Three-Judge Panel for Redistricting Challenges and for Certain Challenges to State Laws (was, Three-Judge Panel for Redistricting Challenges).

Adds new subsections to GS 1-267.1 to provide that except as provided in subsection (a) of this section, any challenge to the validity on its face of an act of the General Assembly must be transferred under GS 1A-1, Rule 42(b) (4), to Wake County Superior Court (Court) to be heard and determined by a three-judge panel of the Court, organized as prescribed by subsection (b2) of this section. Requires the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to appoint three resident superior court judges to a three-judge panel of the Superior Court of Wake County to hear challenges to the validity of an act of the General Assembly on its face. Specifies the organizational structure of the three-judge panel, including the requirement for representation of different regions of the state and replacing members as necessary. Prohibits entering an order or judgment based on a finding that an act of the General Assembly is facially invalid based upon either the North Carolina or United States Constitution except by this three-judge panel. Provides that this section applies only to civil proceedings, and nothing in this section is to be construed as applying to a defendant in a criminal proceeding or to proceedings in which GS Chapter 15A is applicable.

Amends GS 1-81.1 to provide that in an action seeking injunctive relief to stay enforcement, operation, or execution of an act of the General Assembly based on an allegation that the act is unconstitutional on its face under the US or NC constitution, venue lies exclusively with the Wake County Superior Court. Makes conforming changes to GS 1A-1, Rule 42, Consolidation; separate trials.

Amends GS 1A-1, Rule 62, adding a new subsection (h) to clarify that where a trial court grants injunctive or declaratory relief restraining the enforcement or execution of an act of the General Assembly against a party in a civil action, the trial court shall stay the relief granted pending appeal. Provides that this subsection only applies when the state or a political subdivision of the state is a party in the civil action. Declares that this subsection does not apply to facial challenges heard by a three-judge panel under GS 1-267.1.

Amends GS 7A-27 to provide that an appeal lies of right directly to the Supreme Court from any order or judgment of a court, either final or interlocutory, that holds that an act of the General Assembly based on the US or NC constitution is unconstitutional on its face. Makes a conforming change to GS 7A-27 and to GS 105-241.17.

The provisions on the 3-judge panel are effective on July 1, 2014, and apply to any claim filed on or after that date.

Enacts new GS 55-7-50 proving that a provision included in the articles of incorporation of a corporation that provides that the NC state courts are the exclusive forum for any derivative proceeding under GS Chapter 55 are effective and enforceable against any shareholder who has voted in favor of approval of any amendment to include such a provision and any shareholder with respect to any shares acquired after the inclusion of such a provision in the

articles of incorporation.

Intro. by Glazier, Stevens, L. Hall.

GS 1, GS 1A, GS 7A, GS 50A, GS 55, GS 105, GS 110

View summary

Courts/Judiciary, Civil, Civil Law, Civil Procedure, Family Law

H 366 (2013-2014) NC FARM ACT OF 2014 (NEW). Filed Mar 20 2013, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (1) MAINTAIN THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL INVESTIGATIONS FOR AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS AND DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ADOPT RULES FOR A FORMAL COMPLAINT PROCEDURE; (2) CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ADOPT ORDINANCES RELATED TO FERTILIZER; (3) REWRITE THE LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR LICENSING STATUES; (4) STUDY THE STATE'S PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMERCIAL VEHICLE SAFETY ALLIANCE NORTH AMERICAN STANDARD INSPECTION PROGRAM; (5) CLARIFY THE MEANING OF THE TERMS "PLANTING AND HARVESTING SEASON" AND "PLANTING AND HARVESTING PERIOD" FOR PURPOSES OF APPLYING FEDERAL LAWS OR REGULATIONS RELATING TO HOURS OF SERVICE RULES FOR CERTAIN DRIVERS TRANSPORTING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS; (6) AMEND THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY AWARENESS STUDY COMMISSION; (7) ALLOW THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE TO APPOINT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO CARRY OUT THE LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES; (8) ALLOW THE USE OF PESTICIDES TO CONTROL MOLES; (9) CLASSIFY TRESPASSING ON AN AGRICULTURAL FACILITY AS A FIRST DEGREE TRESPASS; (10) REQUIRE WRITTEN CONSENT TO OPERATE AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE ON PROPERTY OWNED BY ANOTHER; (11) ALLOW DRAINAGE DISTRICTS TO MAINTAIN DITCHES IN BUFFER ZONES; (12) CLARIFY PERIODIC INSPECTIONS AUTHORITY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY; AND (13) PERMIT SECURITY GRILLES AT ALL EXITS OF A BUILDING SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

The Senate committee substitute to the 3rd edition makes the following changes.

Clarify the Authority of Local Government to adopt ordinances related to fertilizer

Makes proposed GS 106-678 effective if S 38 (Amend Environmental Laws 2014) does not become law.

Adds a section amending GS 106-678, if S 38 does become law, to provide that nothing in the statute prohibits a county or city from exercising its authority to regulate explosive, corrosive, inflammable, or radioactive substances under GS 153A-128 or GS 160A-183.

Rewrite Landscape Contractor Licensing Statutes (new)

Repeals GS 89D-1 through 89D-10 (creating the NC Landscape Contractors' Registration Board and requiring certification of landscape contractors).

Amends GS Chapter 89D by enacting new GS 89D-11 through GS 89D-24 to create the NC Landscape Contractors' Licensing Board and require licensure of landscape contractors. New GS 89D-12 prohibits anyone from engaging in the practice of landscape construction or contracting or holding himself or herself out as a landscape contractor unless licensed by the North Carolina Landscape Contractor Licensing Board. Defines landscape contractor as anyone (a) engaged in the business requiring the art, experience, ability, knowledge, science, and skill to prepare contracts and bid for the performance of landscape services, including installing, planting, repairing, and maintaining gardens, lawns, shrubs, vines, trees, or other decorative vegetation, including the grading and preparation of plots and areas of land for decorative utilitarian treatment and arrangement; (b) practicing the act of horticulture consultation or planting design for employment purposes; (c) who constructs, installs, or maintains landscape drainage systems and cisterns, provided that the contractor makes none of the specified connections; (d) designs, installs, or maintains low voltage landscape lighting, provided that the systems do not exceed listed specifications; or (e) engages in the construction of

garden pools, retaining walls, walks, patios, or other decorative landscape features.

New GS 89D-13 lists exemptions from the provisions of GS Chapter 89D. New GS 89D-14 creates a nine-member North Carolina Landscape Contractors' Licensing Board (Board), with appointees as listed, and new GS 89D-15 sets forth Board powers and duties. New GS 89D-16(a) allows an applicant to sit for the examination if the applicant pays required fees and submits evidence demonstrating the applicant's qualifications for licensure, as specified. Directs the Board to establish and administer examinations.

New GS 89D-17 authorizes the Board to issue a license in the name of a corporation, provided specified conditions are met. Details additional requirements for licenses and licensees. New GS 89D-18 authorizes the Board to issue a license to a nonresident individual or a foreign entity that meets applicable requirements. Sets forth provisions related to certificates of authority and information requested by the Secretary of Revenue. Defines terms applicable to GS 89D-18.

New GS 89D-19 allows the Board to issue a license without examination to any person licensed, certified, or registered as a landscape contractor in another state or country if that state or country's requirements are substantially equivalent. New GS 89D-20 provides for annual renewal of landscape contractor licenses on or before August 1, in accordance with continuing education requirements and the fee schedule set out in new GS 89D-21. New GS 89D-22 authorizes the Board to deny, restrict, suspend, or revoke a license for reasons including fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation in the application for a license or its renewal, fraudulent misrepresentation in the practice of landscape contracting, gross malpractice or incompetence, violation of rules adopted by the Board, or failure to file or keep the required surety bond in force. Allows the Board to assess costs in a proceeding against an applicant or licensee found to be in violation of the chapter. New GS 89D-23 authorizes the Board to assess a civil penalty of \$2,000 or less for each violation of GS Chapter 89D or any rules adopted by the Board, with proceeds remitted to the Civil Penalty and Forfeiture Fund. New GS 89D-24 authorizes the Board to file a motion for an injunction against anyone engaging in landscape construction without a license. Also requires that the licensed landscape contractor notify the Board of any written complaints filed against the landscape contractor not resolved within 30 days.

Members currently serving on the NC Landscape Contractors' Registration Board will continue to serve until new members are appointed to the Board created by this act. Details additional appointing criteria for new appointees, and transfers all items from the Registration Board to the Licensing Board. Provides that any person who, on or before December 31, 2014, meets one of four enumerated criteria will receive a landscape contractor's license from the Board without the examination requirement, upon submission of a completed application and fee payment on or before August 1, 2015. Specifies that landscape contractors currently registered are not required to renew registration for the 2015 calendar year.

Effective August 1, 2015.

Pesticide Use For Moles (new)

Amends GS 113-300.2 to allow using pesticides to control any species of mole other than the star-nosed mole if (1) all rules regulating application are followed and (2) the pesticides used are applied in a manner that minimizes hazards to nontarget species.

Clarify periodic inspections authority of housing finance agency (new)

Amends GS 153A-364(b), which allows for periodic inspections for hazardous or unlawful conditions as part of a targeted effort within a designated geographic area. Exempts residential buildings or structures subject to periodic inspections by the NC Housing Finance Agency (Agency) if the Agency has issued a finding that the building or structure is in compliance with federal standards. Requires the owner or manager of a residential building or structure that is subject to periodic inspections by the Agency to submit a copy of the Compliance Results Letter within 10 days of receipt; if the letter is not provided, the building or structure will be subject to periodic inspections until the letter is provided.

Security Grilles (new)

Allows horizontal sliding or vertical security grilles at exits or exit access doors if the grills are openable from the inside without the use of a key or special knowledge or effort when the space is occupied by authorized persons and the grilles remain secured in the full open position during occupancy by the general public. Requires the Building Code Council to adopt a rule to make the Code consistent with these provisions.

Amends the act's long title.

Intro. by Langdon, Dixon.

GS 14, GS 20, GS 89D, GS 106, GS 113, GS 120, GS 143, GS 153A, GS 156, GS 160A

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Agriculture, Animals, Business and Commerce,
Occupational Licensing, Courts/Judiciary, Criminal
Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Development,
Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing,
Government, State Agencies, Department of Agriculture
and Consumer Services, Department of Environment and
Natural Resources, Department of Public Safety, Local
Government

H 379 (2013-2014) AMEND VETERINARY PRACTICE ACT/FEES. Filed Mar 20 2013, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NORTH CAROLINA VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD TO AMEND THE BOARD'S LAWS PERTAINING TO LICENSURE FEES AND LICENSE REINSTATEMENT.

Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to the 1st edition:

Deletes all of the provisions of the previous edition in their entirety.

Changes the short and long titles.

Amends GS 90-186 (Special powers of the Board), providing that the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board (Board) may increase fees as long as no fee is increased more than 15 percent within a calendar year and the cumulative total increases of any fee does not exceed 100 percent of the fee amounts set in this subdivision. Makes technical changes.

Provides for set fees on all the different certifications, licenses, and examinations; fees are set at the highest rate previously allowed (previously, there was a sliding scale with only a ceiling price set), with the inspection of a veterinary practice facility being raised to \$125 (\$75 was the highest that could be charged before). Deletes provision for charging for copies of Board materials.

Amends GS 90-187.9 (Reinstatement), deleting language of old section. Creates new GS 90-187.9(a-d), providing that persons who have lost their licenses for failure to apply for a new license may be reinstated at any time within three years of the revocation. Individuals must submit proof of continuing education and pay required fees. A person who has his or her license revoked for more than three years due to nonrenewal may qualify for licensure after filing an application with the Board and meeting the requirements of GS 90-187 or GS 187.3. A person who has his or her registration revoked for more than three years for failure to apply for registration can qualify for registration after filing an application with the Board and meeting requirements of GS 90-186(4), and any other rules of the Board. Subject to the conditions of the Board, any person whose license or registration is revoked for a reason other than failure to apply with renewal may, in the Board's discretion, be re-licensed or re-registered at any time by majority vote of the Board.

Effective October 1, 2014.

Intro. by Langdon. GS 90

View summary

Animals, Business and Commerce, Occupational

Licensing

H 558 (2013-2014) SOIL & WATER/REGIONAL JAILS REFUNDS (NEW). Filed Apr 3 2013, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW SALES TAX REFUNDS FOR SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS AND REGIONAL JAILS.

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW SALES TAX REFUNDS FOR SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS AND REGIONAL JAILS. Enacted June 24, 2014. Effective July 1, 2015.

Intro. by Whitmire, Ramsey, Dixon, Waddell. GS 105

View summary Government, Tax, Local Government

H 677 (2013-2014) LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATORY REFORM. Filed Apr 9 2013, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATORY REFORM ACT.

The Senate committee substitute to the 1st edition is to be summarized.

Intro. by W. Brawley, Moffitt, Stone.

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H 777 (2013-2014) SEX OFFENDER/EXPAND RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS. Filed Apr 10 2013, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT A SEX OFFENDER IS PROHIBITED FROM RESIDING WITHIN ONE THOUSAND FEET OF A SITE WHERE A BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF AMERICA IS LOCATED.

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT A SEX OFFENDER IS PROHIBITED FROM RESIDING WITHIN ONE THOUSAND FEET OF A SITE WHERE A BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF AMERICA IS LOCATED. Enacted June 24, 2014. Effective June 24, 2014.

Intro. by Jackson. GS 14

View summary

Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Corrections

(Sentencing/Probation)

H 1031 (2013-2014) NC ECON. DEV. PARTNERSHIP MODIFICATIONS. Filed May 14 2014, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO FACILITATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE STATE.

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO FACILITATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE STATE. Enacted June 24, 2014. Effective June 24, 2014, except as otherwise provided.

Intro. by Murry. GS 115C, GS 126, GS 143B

View summary

Economic Development, Education, Government, State

Agencies, Community Colleges System Office,

Department of Commerce, Department of Environment
and Natural Resources, Department of Transportation,

State Board of Education

Development, Land Use and Housing, Community and

H 1057 (2013-2014) DENR STUDY OF IBT/EMC ECO FLOW STUDY. Filed May 14 2014, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO STUDY THE STATUTES AND RULES GOVERNING INTERBASIN TRANSFERS AND TO DIRECT THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION TO STUDY THE STATE'S POLICY FOR ESTABLISHING THE QUANTITY OF SURFACE WATER TO BE PROTECTED FOR ECOLOGICAL INTEGRITY AND TO REPORT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF HYDROLOGIC MODELS PROPOSED FOR USE IN ESTABLISHING THE WATER QUANTITY TO BE RESERVED FOR ECOLOGICAL FLOW.

House amendment makes the following changes to the 2nd edition.

Amends GS 143-215.22L(w) to require a petition for a certificate to withdraw or transfer water stored in any multipurpose reservoir built by the US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and partially located in a state that is adjacent to North Carolina to be considered and a determination made based on specified procedures as listed in this section, providing that the Corps approved the withdrawal or transfer on or before July 1, 2014.

Makes conforming and organizational changes to the long title for clarity and to better reflect the bill content as amended.

Intro. by Hager. STUDY, GS 143

View summary Environment

H 1097 (2013-2014) SERVICE OF HEARING ORDER/MV DEALER LICENSEE. Filed May 15 2014, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PLACE A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS LICENSING LAW ON PROBATION AND TO PROVIDE THAT NOTICE OF A SUSPENSION, REVOCATION, OR NONRENEWAL OF A LICENSE UNDER THE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS LICENSING LAW SHALL BE GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 4 OF THE RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE.

House committee substitute makes the following changes to the 1st edition.

Amends GS 20-294 to authorize the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to place a person licensed under the Motor Vehicle Dealers and Manufacturing License Law on probation for a violation under any of the grounds as specified in this section. Makes a conforming change to the title of this act.

Also amends GS 20-296 to clarify that notice of a suspension, revocation, probation, or nonrenewal of a motor vehicle dealer or manufacturer license's license may be provided in any manner authorized by GS 1A-1, Rule 4(j) of the Rules of Civil Procedure (was, Rule 4). Makes conforming change to refer to licensee probation.

Intro. by Torbett. GS 20

View summary

Courts/Judiciary, Motor Vehicle, Government, State Agencies, Department of Transportation, Transportation

PUBLIC/SENATE BILLS

S 58 (2013-2014) CLARIFY STATUTE OF REPOSE (NEW). Filed Feb 5 2013, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO SESSION LAW 2014-17.

House committee substitute deletes all the provisions of the 3rd edition and replaces it with AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO SESSION LAW 2014-17. Also changes the bill's short title.

Under current law, the North Carolina statute of repose (GS 1-52(16) prohibits a cause of action from accruing more than 10 years from the last act or omission of the defendant giving rise to the cause of action. Amends Section 1 of SL 2014-17 to declare that the General Assembly (was, legislature) finds that it never intended the statute of repose in GS 1-52(16) to apply to claims for a latent disease caused or contributed to by contaminated groundwater, or to claims for any latent harm caused or contributed to by contaminated groundwater.

Amends GS 130A-26.3, as enacted by Section 3 of SL 2014-17, to clarify that the 10-year time period indicated in GS 1-52(16) is not to be construed to bar an action for personal injury, or property damages caused or contributed to by the consumption, exposure, or use of water supplied from groundwater contaminated by a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.

Rewrites Section 4 of SL 2014-17 to provide that the act becomes effective when it becomes law and applies to actions filed, arising, or pending on or after that date. Asserts that nothing in this act is intended to change existing law relating to product liability actions based upon disease. Deletes the expiration date (June 19, 2023) for SL 2014-17.

Intro. by Brown. GS 130A

View summary

Courts/Judiciary, Civil, Civil Law, Environment,

Environment/Natural Resources

S 403 (2013-2014) OMNIBUS ELECTION CLARIFICATIONS (NEW). Filed Mar 25 2013, AN ACT TO AMEND AND CLARIFY VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE ELECTION LAWS.

House amendments make the following changes to the 4th edition:

Amendment #1

Deletes proposed changes to GS 163-111(e), concerning the dates of second primaries and procedures as well as the ability of a voter to vote in two primaries upon moving.

Amendment #4

Amends GS 163-287 to require a special election called by a local government or special district to also be held at the

same time as any other election requiring all the precincts in the county to be open or at the same time as a municipal general election, if the special election is within the jurisdiction of the municipality only (previously, only required them to be held at the same time as any other state, county, or municipal general election or at the same time as the primary election in an even-numbered year). Effective January 1, 2015, applying to all special elections held on or after that date.

Amendment #5

Amends GS 163-278.12(j)(1) requiring the treasurer of a candidate for statewide office to electronically file each report required by this section that shows a cumulative total for the election cycle in excess of \$5,000 in contributions, expenditures, or loans.

Amends GS 163-278.12(j) adding subsection (4) requiring the treasurer of all other political committees to electronically file each report required by this section that shows a cumulative total for the election cycle in excess of \$10,000 in contributions, expenditures, or loans.

Amends GS 163-278.12(j), making a conforming change, replacing "five thousand dollars" to "the stated amount."

Applies to reports filed on or after January 1, 2017.

Intro. by Bingham. GS 163

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Government, Elections, State Agencies, State Board of
Elections

S 463 (2013-2014) JAIL DORMITORY MINIMUM STANDARDS. Filed Mar 27 2013, AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW PROVIDING FOR MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR JAIL DORMITORIES TO ALLOW COUNTIES TO HOUSE SIXTY-FOUR INMATES PER DORMITORY SO LONG AS CERTAIN MINIMUM STANDARDS ARE MET.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW PROVIDING FOR MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR JAIL DORMITORIES TO ALLOW COUNTIES TO HOUSE SIXTY-FOUR INMATES PER DORMITORY SO LONG AS CERTAIN MINIMUM STANDARDS ARE MET. Enacted June 24, 2014. Effective June 24, 2014.

Intro. by Woodard, McKissick. GS 153A

View summary

Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Corrections
(Sentencing/Probation), Government, Public Safety

S 493 (2013-2014) 2014 REGULATORY REFORM ACT (NEW). Filed Mar 27 2013, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY LAWS BY UPDATING OUTDATED STATUTES AND REGULATIONS AND MODERNIZING OR SIMPLIFYING CUMBERSOME OR OUTDATED REGULATIONS, BY STUDYING HEALTH AND SAFETY MATTERS OF CONCERN TO NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS, AND BY MAKING VARIOUS OTHER STATUTORY CHANGES.

House committee substitute deletes all the provisions of the 4th edition, unless otherwise indicated, and makes the following changes.

Amends the short title to read *Health and Safety Regulatory Reform* (was, 2014 Regulatory Reform Act). Also changes the long title of this act to conform with the bill content as amended.

AUTISM HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

Amends proposed GS 58-3-192, *Coverage for autism spectrum disorders*, to define *behavioral health treatment* to include counseling and treatment programs that are provided or supervised by a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (was, a licensed behavior analyst).

BEHAVIOR ANALYST LICENSURE

Amends proposed GS 90-726.16, *Exemptions from licensure*, to include as a person exempt from the requirements of proposed Article 43, GS Chapter 90, (1) a person providing ancillary services provided pursuant to GS 90-270.21 and (2) a person who is a professional licensed under GS Chapter 90 or Chapter 90B (was, Chapter 90).

PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT REGULATION

Makes organizational changes to proposed GS 58-56A-1, *Definitions*, in new Article 56A, *Pharmacy Benefits Management*. Renumbers provisions accordingly.

Amends proposed GS 58-56A-3, *Maximum allowable cost price*, to require that information which the pharmacy benefits manager must disclose regarding any changes made to the maximum allowable cost prices must be submitted electronically as promptly as possible to the pharmacies or be made available to the pharmacies on the pharmacy benefits manager's Internet website. Also requires that the information as to the maximum allowable cost price used by the pharmacy benefits manager must be submitted to the pharmacies electronically or made available to the pharmacies on the pharmacy benefits manager's Internet website.

Deletes provisions (1) regulating the disclosure of information by a pharmacy benefits manager and (2) prohibiting pharmacy benefit managers from offering any incentives to covered individuals. Directs the Department of Insurance, in collaboration with the Department of Commerce and the North Carolina Board of Pharmacy, to study the issue of pharmacy benefits management company regulation. Specifies that the study must include (1) consumer protections and the disclosure of consumer health information, (2) regulation of the various incentives offered to a consumer by pharmacy benefits managers and the effects of those incentives, and (3) any further industry regulation deemed necessary to study. Directs the Department of Insurance to report the collective findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the 2015 General Assembly on or before January 20, 2015.

ANIMAL EUTHANAS IA REQUIREMENTS

Amends GS 19A-24, *Powers of Board of Agriculture*, to specify requirements to which to adhere and procedures to be followed by a certified euthanasia technician in euthanizing an animal. Effective July 1, 2015.

INTERS TATE CONNECTIVITY OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES REPORTING SYSTEM

Directs the Department of Health and Human Services to execute a memorandum of understanding with the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy to participate in PMP Interconnect.

YOUTH SKIN CANCER PREVENTION

Changes the effective date from July 1, 2014, to October 1, 2014.

Retains sections from the previous edition on limited food services at lodging facilities; nursing home administration act revisions; report on SEEK; hospital authority conflict of interest provisions consistent with those for public hospitals; report on multiplicative auditing and monitoring of certain service providers; ending sunset for facilities that use alternative electronic monitoring systems; state Medicaid recredentialing period; and use of natural spring water at co-located restaurants.

Intro. by Walters.

GS 19A, GS 58, GS 90, GS 104E, GS 130A, GS 131E

Animals, Business and Commerce, Occupational

6/24/2014

View summary

Licensing, Courts/Judiciary, Government, State
Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services,
Department of Insurance, Health and Human Services,
Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers, Health
Insurance, Public Health, Mental Health

S 729 (2013-2014) COAL ASH MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2104 (NEW). Filed May 14 2014, AN ACT TO (1) PROHIBIT RECOVERY OF COSTS RELATED TO UNLAWFUL DISCHARGES FROM COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (2) ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON CERTAIN RATE CASES; (3) CREATE THE COAL ASH MANAGEMENT COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND APPROVE COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS CLASSIFICATIONS AND CLOSURE PLANS AND OTHERWISE STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON LAWS GOVERNING MANAGEMENT OF COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS; (4) REQUIRE EXPEDITED REVIEW BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OF ANY PERMIT NECESSARY TO CONDUCT ACTIVITIES REQUIRED BY THIS ACT; (5) ESTABLISH VARIOUS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, INCLUDING A QUARTERLY REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES ON ITS OPERATIONS, ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS, AND PROGRESS WITH RESPECT TO ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS ACT FOR COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (6) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF MANAGEMENT OF COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS OR COAL COMBUSTION PRODUCTS; (7) PROHIBIT CONSTRUCTION OF NEW OR EXPANSION OF EXISTING COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014; (8) PROHIBIT THE DISPOSAL OF COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS INTO COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS AT COAL-FIRED GENERATING UNITS THAT ARE NO LONGER PRODUCING COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014; (9) PROHIBIT DISPOSAL OF STORMWATER TO COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 2018; (10) REQUIRE ALL ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITIES TO CONVERT TO GENERATION OF DRY FLY ASH ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2017, AND DRY BOTTOM ASH ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2020, OR RETIRE; (11) REOUIRE THE ASSESSMENT OF GROUNDWATER AT COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (12) REQUIRE CORRECTIVE ACTION FOR THE RESTORATION OF GROUNDWATER QUALITY AT COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (13) REQUIRE A SURVEY OF DRINKING WATER SUPPLY WELLS AND REPLACEMENT OF CONTAMINATED WATER SUPPLIES; (14) REQUIRE THE IDENTIFICATION, ASSESSMENT, AND CORRECTION OF UNPERMITTED DISCHARGES FROM COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (15) REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO, AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE BUT NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1, 2015, PRIORITIZE FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLOSURE AND REMEDIATION COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS, INCLUDING ACTIVE AND RETIRED SITES, BASED ON THESE SITES' RISKS TO PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND NATURAL RESOURCES; (16) REOUIRE OWNERS OF COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS TO SUBMIT A PROPOSED PLAN FOR CLOSURE OF ALL IMPOUNDMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES; (17) REQUIRE CLOSURE AND REMEDIATION OF CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE, BUT NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1, 2019; (18) REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH A SCHEDULE AND PROCESS FOR CLOSURE AND REMEDIATION OF ALL COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS BASED UPON THE DEPARTMENT'S RISK ASSESSMENT OF THESE SITES, BASELINE REQUIREMENTS SET BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, EVALUATION OF PROPOSED CLOSURE PLANS SUBMITTED BY IMPOUNDMENT OWNERS, AND INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS; (19) ESTABLISH MINIMUM STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS FOR STRUCTURAL FILL PROJECTS USING COAL COMBUSTION PRODUCTS AND REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO INVENTORY AND INSPECT CERTAIN STRUCTURAL FILL PROJECTS; (20) PLACE A MORATORIUM ON CERTAIN PROJECTS USING COAL COMBUSTION PRODUCTS AS STRUCTURAL FILL UNTIL AUGUST 1, 2015, AND DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION TO STUDY THE ADEQUACY OF CURRENT LAW GOVERNING USE OF COAL

COMBUSTION PRODUCTS AS STRUCTURAL FILL AND FOR BENEFICIAL USE; (21) PLACE A MORATORIUM ON THE EXPANSION AND CONSTRUCTION OF COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS LANDFILLS UNTIL AUGUST 1, 2015, AND DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ASSESS THE RISKS TO PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, THE ENVIRONMENT, AND NATURAL RESOURCES OF COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS LOCATED BENEATH THESE LANDFILLS TO DETERMINE THE ADVISABILITY OF CONTINUED OPERATION OF THESE LANDFILLS; (22) STRENGTHEN THE REPORTING AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO DISCHARGES OF WASTEWATER TO WATERS OF THE STATE; (23) REQUIRE CERTAIN EMERGENCY CALLS TO BE RECORDED; (24) REQUIRE DEVELOPMENT OF EMERGENCY ACTION PLANS FOR HIGH AND INTERMEDIATE HAZARD DAMS AND AMEND OTHER DAM SAFETY LAW REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (25) TRANSFER SOLID WASTE RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY FROM COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TO ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION; (26) PROVIDE FOR VARIOUS STUDIES; (27) REQUIRE THE STATE CONSTRUCTION OFFICE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO DEVELOP TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR USE OF COAL COMBUSTION PRODUCTS; AND (28) PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT.

Senate amendments make the following changes to the 2nd edition:

Amendment #1

Changes the long title.

Adds new Part IX to the act, SPECIFICATIONS FOR USE OF COAL ASH COMBUSTION PRODUCTIONS IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT, which enacts a new GS 143-58.6 directing the State Construction Office and the Department of Transportation to develop recommended technical specifications for the use of coal combustion products that may be used in construction. Directs the above agencies to consider safety, best practice engineering standards, quality, cost, and availability of an in-State source of coal combustion products in developing the recommended technical specifications. The recommended technical specifications are to be reported to the Environmental Review Commission and the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee on or before February 1, 2015.

Makes conforming changes.

Amendment #3

Amends GS 130A-309.217, increasing the number of years a constructor or operator of large structural fill projects must conduct post-closure care from 20 to 30 years.

Intro. by Apodaca, Berger.

GS 62, GS 113, GS 130A, GS 143

View summary

Environment, Environment/Natural Resources, Public Enterprises and Utilities

S 734 (2013-2014) REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2014 (NEW). Filed May 14 2014, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS, BY ELIMINATING CERTAIN UNNECESSARY OR OUTDATED STATUTES AND REGULATIONS AND MODERNIZING OR SIMPLIFYING CUMBERSOME OR OUTDATED REGULATIONS, BY MAKING VARIOUS OTHER STATUTORY CHANGES, AND BY UPDATING AND AMENDING CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAWS.

The House committee substitute to the 4th edition is to be summarized.

Intro. by Wade, B. Jackson, Brock.

View summary

S 793 (2013-2014) CHARTER SCHOOL MODIFICATIONS. Filed May 19 2014, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A TEACHER EMPLOYED BY A CHARTER SCHOOL MAY SERVE AS A NONVOTING MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE CHARTER SCHOOL; TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL MAKE DECISIONS ON CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICATIONS; TO PROVIDE PRIORITY ENROLLMENT FOR THE CHILDREN OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CHARTER SCHOOLS BEYOND THE INITIAL YEAR; TO MAKE CHARTER SCHOOLS SUBJECT TO REQUIREMENTS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS AND PUBLIC RECORDS LAWS; TO ALLOW CHARTER SCHOOLS TO ASK FOR ADDITIONAL RECORDS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF THE PER PUPIL SHARE OF THE LOCAL CURRENT EXPENSE FUND; TO SHORTEN THE TIME PERIOD FOR PAYMENT OF DELINQUENT FUNDS; TO CLARIFY THE BIDDING PROCESS FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF CHARTER SCHOOLS; AND TO DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A FAST TRACK APPROVAL PROCESS.

House amendments 1, 2, 3, and 5 make the following changes to the 4th edition.

Amends the bill's long title to better reflect the bill's content.

Amends GS 20-84(b), to add a new subdivision (3a), which makes charter schools eligible to receive permanent registration plates. Repeals this section July 1, 2015.

Amends Section 6.5 of this act to direct the State Board of Education not to require applicants selected by the fast track-replication process as prescribed in this act to engage in a planning year. Requires the applicants under the fast-track replication process to meet the requirements in Part 6A of Article 16 of GS Chapter 115C and the additional requirements as specified in this section.

Amends GS 115C-238.29D(f) to provide that it is not a material revision of a charter application and does not require prior approval of the State Board for a charter school to offer one grade higher than the charter school currently offers. Prohibits a charter school from increasing enrollment in an expansion grade level added under this subdivision. Expires July 1, 2018.

Clarifies that except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with the 2014-2015 school year.

Intro. by Tillman, Cook.

GS 115C

View summary

Education, Elementary and Secondary Education

S 812 (2013-2014) REPLACE CCSS W/NC'S HIGHER ACADEM. STANDARDS (NEW). Filed May 20 2014, AN ACT TO EXERCISE NORTH CAROLINA'S CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY TO REPLACE COMMON CORE AND ESTABLISH, PROMOTE, AND ASSURE HIGH ACADEMIC STANDARDS THAT ARE ROBUST AND APPROPRIATE FOR NORTH CAROLINA PUBLIC EDUCATION.

House amendments make the following changes to the 4th edition:

Amendment #1

Amends the proposed GS 115C-12(9d) to add that nothing in this subsection can be construed to prohibit

implementation of the International Baccalaureate, Advanced Placement, or other nationally available educational programs or curricula.

Amendment #2

Amends proposed GS 115C-401.2, concerning the types of student data prohibited from being gathered, providing that psychometric data is not prohibited from being collected, tracked, housed, reported, or shared with the federal government (previously, psychometric data was prohibited from being collected, etc.).

Intro. by Soucek, Tillman.

GS 115C

View summary

Education, Elementary and Secondary Education

LOCAL/HOUSE BILLS

H 531 (2013-2014) WEAVERVILLE, BUNCOMBE & HENDERSON. Filed Apr 2 2013, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE, TO MAKE A SIMILAR TECHNICAL CORRECTION AS TO THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE, TO ALLOW THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE TO ZONE CERTAIN DONUT HOLES, TO REPEAL THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY CULTURE AND RECREATION AUTHORITY, AND TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HENDERSON COUNTY TO STANDARDIZE THE CEILING ON FIRE DISTRICT TAXES IN HENDERSON COUNTY.

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE, TO MAKE A SIMILAR TECHNICAL CORRECTION AS TO THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE, TO ALLOW THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE TO ZONE CERTAIN DONUT HOLES, TO REPEAL THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY CULTURE AND RECREATION AUTHORITY, AND TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HENDERSON COUNTY TO STANDARDIZE THE CEILING ON FIRE DISTRICT TAXES IN HENDERSON COUNTY. Enacted June 24, 2014. Section 1 is effective July 1, 2014. Section 2 is effective on and after April 17, 2013. Section 4 is effective June 30, 2014. The remainder is effective June 24, 2014.

Intro. by Ramsey, Moffitt.

Buncombe, Henderson

View summary

Government, Tax

H 1044 (2013-2014) AVERASBORO TOWNSHIP TDA CHANGES. Filed May 14 2014, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE AVERASBORO TOWNSHIP TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

The Senate committee substitute to the 1st edition makes a clarifying change.

Intro. by Lewis.

Harnett

View summary

H 1080 (2013-2014) WATHA DEANNEXATION. Filed May 15 2014, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING

CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF WATHA AND TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE.

Senate amendment #2 makes the following changes to Amendment #1:

Makes technical changes.

Intro. by Millis.

Haywood

View summary

H 1113 (2013-2014) BENT CREEK PROPERTY SULLIVAN ACT EXEMPTION. Filed May 15 2014, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT A TRANSFER OF THE BREVARD ROAD SITE PURSUANT TO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE AND HENDERSON COUNTY FROM ARTICLE 16 OF CHAPTER 160A OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND FROM THE SULLIVAN ACTS.

The Senate committee substitute deletes the provisions of the 1st edition and replaces it with the following.

Allows the Henderson County Board of Commissioners and the City Council of Asheville to transfer specified property as provided in the interlocal agreement entered into between the two units of government on April 16, 2014, and any subsequent amendments. Provides that if the property is sold, Henderson County and Asheville must divide the sale proceeds equally. Requires the Asheville share to be remitted to the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners for public safety purposes and requires the Henderson County Board of Commissioners to use its share for the purchase and construction of a local law enforcement training center which may include a live ammunition weapons training area.

Expires December 31, 2016.

Amends the act's long title.

Intro. by McGrady, Fisher, Moffitt, Ramsey.

Buncombe, Henderson

View summary

H 1247 (2013-2014) ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT. Filed May 28 2014, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW LIMITED APPOINTMENT OF ELECTED PUBLIC OFFICIALS TO THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY AND TO PROVIDE THAT EMINENT DOMAIN MUST BE AUTHORIZED BY THE AFFECTED APPOINTING AUTHORITY.

The Senate committee substitute to the 1st edition makes the following changes.

Amends Section 1.4(a1) of SL 2012-121 to add to the conditions that must be met in order for a person holding an elected public office to be a member of the Greater Asheville Regional Airport Authority to provide that each appointing authority may appoint one of its own members to serve as the person holding any elected public office; otherwise a person holding any elected public office may not be a member of the Authority.

Amends Section 1.4(c) and 1.4(d) to make technical changes.

Amends Section 1.7(c) to provide that if federal law or regulation requires the Authority to have the power to exercise eminent domain, it may only do so for public use for an airport purpose, and any eminent domain proceeding must be authorized by the appointing authority affected by the proceeding (was authorized jointly by all of the three

appointing authorities).

Makes conforming changes to the act's title.

Intro. by McGrady, Fisher, Moffitt, Ramsey.

Buncombe

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LOCAL/SENATE BILLS

S 839 (2013-2014) WINSTON-SALEM/PARKING METERS. Filed May 22 2014, AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PARKING METERS IN THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM MAY BE ACTIVATED BY COINS, TOKENS, CASH, CREDIT CARDS, DEBIT CARDS, OR ELECTRONIC MEANS.

The Senate committee substitute to the 1st edition amends GS 160A-301 to allow parking meters in Winston-Salem to be activated by credit cards, debit cards, or electronic means (was, any other commercially available means of providing prepayment credit or debit).

Intro. by Parmon, Krawiec. Forsyth

View summary Transportation

S 845 (2013-2014) BALD HEAD ISLAND/CONTRACT POST OFFICE. Filed May 27 2014, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE VILLAGE OF BALD HEAD ISLAND TO OPERATE A CONTRACT POST OFFICE WITH A GOVERNMENTAL OR COMMERCIAL ENTITY.

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE VILLAGE OF BALD HEAD ISLAND TO OPERATE A CONTRACT POST OFFICE WITH A GOVERNMENTAL OR COMMERCIAL ENTITY. Enacted June 24, 2014. Effective June 24, 2014.

Intro. by Rabon. Brunswick

View summary

S 867 (2013-2014) TOWN OF MCDONALD/TERMS OF OFFICE. Filed May 28 2014, AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS FOR THE MAYOR AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MCDONALD.

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS FOR THE MAYOR AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MCDONALD. Enacted June 24, 2014. Effective June 24, 2014.

Intro. by Walters. Robeson

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Government, Elections

S 868 (2013-2014) TOWN OF PROCTORVILLE/TERMS OF OFFICE. Filed May 28 2014, AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS FOR THE MAYOR AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF PROCTORVILLE.

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF OFFICE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS FOR THE MAYOR AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF PROCTORVILLE. Enacted June 24, 2014. Effective June 24, 2014.

Intro. by Walters.

Robeson

View summary

Government, Elections

S 875 (2013-2014) BAKERSVILLE/STAGGER TERMS OF TOWN COUNCIL. Filed May 28 2014, AN ACT TO STAGGER THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BAKERSVILLE.

Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to the 1st edition:

Makes technical changes to the staggered terms of the Bakersville Town Council, providing that beginning in 2015 two members will be elected and the one that receives the highest number of votes will be elected to a four-year term and the candidate with the next highest number of votes will be elected to a two-year term. Beginning in 2017, and biennually after that, two more members will be elected according to the same procedure as above.

Intro. by Hise.

Mitchell

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ACTIONS ON BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS

H 183: DELAY TRANSFER/CLEVELAND COUNTY CORR. FAC. (NEW).

Signed by Gov. 6/24/2014

Ch. SL 2014-19

H 189: AMEND INFO./CHILD SUPP. ORDERS

Senate: Amend Adopted A1 Senate: Passed 2nd Reading Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Engrossed

H 346: GOVERNING BODIES/COLLECT UNPAID JUDGMENTS.

Senate: Regular Message Sent To House

House: Regular Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

H 366: NC FARM ACT OF 2014 (NEW).

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute Senate: Com Substitute Adopted Senate: Re-ref Com On Finance

H 379: AMEND VETERINARY PRACTICE ACT/FEES.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute Senate: Com Substitute Adopted Senate: Re-ref Com On Finance

H 558: SOIL & WATER/REGIONAL JAILS REFUNDS (NEW).

Signed by Gov. 6/24/2014

Ch. SL 2014-20

H 677: LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATORY REFORM.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute Senate: Com Substitute Adopted Senate: Re-ref Com On Finance

H 712: CLARIFYING CHANGES/SPECIAL ED SCHOLARSHIPS

House: Cal Pursuant 36(b)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

H 777: SEX OFFENDER/EXPAND RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS.

Signed by Gov. 6/24/2014

Ch. SL 2014-21

H 894: SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PLANNING (NEW)

House: Cal Pursuant 36(b)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

H 1025: DOT/DMV CHANGES (NEW).

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 06/28/2014

H 1027: DWI INTERLOCK VIOLATION/DMV HEARING SITE.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 06/28/2014

H 1031: NC ECON. DEV. PARTNERS HIP MODIFICATIONS.

Signed by Gov. 6/24/2014

Ch. SL 2014-18

H 1043: PREQUALIFICATION UPDATE.

House: Cal Pursuant 36(b)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

H 1051: AUTHORIZE DHHS/COOPERATIVE EXTENSION CONTRACT.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

H 1052: ADJUST THE UTILITY REGULATORY FEE.

Senate: Special Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading Senate: Ref To Com On Finance

H 1053: HONOR ROBYNN SPENCE.

House: Adopted

H 1057: DENR STUDY OF IBT/EMC ECO FLOW STUDY.

House: Amend Adopted A1 House: Passed 2nd Reading

H 1069: UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAW CHANGES.

Pres. To Gov. 6/24/2014 Vetoed 06/24/2014

House: Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1097: SERVICE OF HEARING ORDER/MV DEALER LICENS EE.

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

H 1139: STATE NAT. & HIST. PRESERVE DELETIONS.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 1157: ELECTRONIC DRIVERS LICENSE AMENDMENT.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Added to Calendar

H 1182: UNC NONAPPROPRIATED CAPITAL PROJECTS.

Senate: Special Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Finance

Senate: Withdrawn From Com Senate: Re-ref Com On Finance

H 1190: DPS STUDY COMMERCIAL VEHICLE SAFETY ALLIANCE.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Added to Calendar

H 1227: HONORING THE HIGHWAY PATROL.

House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

H 1256: RECOGNITION FOR MERCHANT MARINES.

House: Withdrawn From Com House: Cal Pursuant 32(a) House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

H 1257: SUPPORT NORTH CAROLINA'S WILD HORSES.

House: Withdrawn From Com House: Cal Pursuant 32(a)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

H 1259: SOLDIER'S REUNION ANNIVERS ARY.

House: Adopted

H 1261: URGE CONGRES S/TERRORIS M RIS K INSURANCE.

House: Adopted

H 1267: ABS ENTEE BALLOT/EVERETTE HARRIS ACT.

House: Passed 2nd Reading House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Special Message Sent To Senate

H 1268: HONOR JIM GULLEY.

House: Withdrawn From Com House: Cal Pursuant 32(a)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

H 1270: HONOR RIVERS IDE MAS ONIC LODGE.

House: Adopted

H 1271: HONOR SENATOR MARTIN NESBITT.

House: Passed 1st Reading House: Added to Calendar

House: Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

House: Withdrawn From Cal

House: Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

S 38: AMEND ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS 2014 (NEW).

House: Special Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Special Message Received For Concurrence in H Com Sub

Senate: Held in Senate Clerk's Office

S 58: CLARIFY STATUTE OF REPOSE (NEW).

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

House: Serial Referral To Finance Stricken

House: Added to Calendar

S 163: RECLAIMED WATER AS A SOURCE WATER. (NEW)

Senate: Failed Concur In H Com Sub

Senate: Senate Fail to Concur - No Appt Message Sent To House

S 403: OMNIBUS ELECTION CLARIFICATIONS (NEW).

House: Amend Adopted A1

House: Amend Failed A2
House: Amend Tabled A3
House: Amend Adopted A4
House: Amend Adopted A5
House: Passed 2nd Reading
House: Passed 3rd Reading
House: Ordered Engrossed

S 463: JAIL DORMITORY MINIMUM STANDARDS.

Signed by Gov. 6/24/2014

Ch. SL 2014-22

S 477: NO SET FEE/NONCOVERED VISION SERVICES.

Pres. To Gov. 06/24/2014

S 493: 2014 REGULATORY REFORM ACT (NEW).

House: Reptd Fav Com Sub 3 House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

S 523: WRIGHTS VILLE BEACH DEANNEX/WILMINGTON ANNEX (NEW).

House: Passed 2nd Reading

S 648: NC COMMERCE PROTECTION ACT OF 2014 (NEW).

House: Assigned To Judiciary Subcommittee B

S 729: COAL ASH MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2104 (NEW).

Senate: Amend Adopted A1 Senate: Amend Adopted A3 Senate: Amend Failed A2

Senate: Amendment Withdrawn A4

Senate: Amend Failed A5 Senate: Amend Failed A6 Senate: Amend Failed A7 Senate: Amend Failed A8 Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

S 734: REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2014 (NEW).

House: Serial Referral To Judiciary Stricken

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

S 744: APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2014.

House: Conferees Changed

House: Change Conferees Message Sent To Senate

S 761: CREDIT FOR MILITARY TRAINING.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

S 790: CAPE HATTERAS/GAS CITIES/INFRASTRUCTURE LAND (NEW).

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 06/25/2014

S 793: CHARTER SCHOOL MODIFICATIONS.

House: Amend Adopted A1 House: Amend Adopted A2 House: Amend Adopted A3 House: Amend Tabled A4 House: Amend Adopted A5 House: Passed 2nd Reading

S 794: DIS APPROVE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION RULES.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Judiciary Subcommittee B

S 812: REPLACE CCSS W/NC'S HIGHER ACADEM. STANDARDS (NEW).

House: Amend Adopted A1 House: Amend Adopted A2 House: Passed 2nd Reading House: Passed 3rd Reading House: Ordered Engrossed

S 815: ENSURING PRIVACY OF STUDENT RECORDS.

House: Passed 2nd Reading House: Passed 3rd Reading House: Ordered Enrolled

S 882: HONOR SENATOR MARTIN NESBITT.

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received From Senate

House: Passed 1st Reading House: Added to Calendar House: Passed 2nd Reading House: Passed 3rd Reading House: Ordered Enrolled

LOCAL BILLS

H 531: WEAVERVILLE, BUNCOMBE & HENDERS ON.

Ratified

Ch. SL 2014-26

H 569: FOXFIRE/S ATELLITE ANNEXATIONS.

House: Concurred On 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 1044: AVERAS BORO TOWNS HIP TDA CHANGES.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted Senate: Re-ref Com On Finance

H 1045: TOWN OF ELKIN/REG, MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS SCHED.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 1067: MURPHY DEANNEXATION.

Senate: Reptd Fav

Senate: Re-ref Com On Finance

H 1080: WATHA DEANNEXATION.

Senate: Amend Adopted A2 Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

H 1113: BENT CREEK PROPERTY SULLIVAN ACT EXEMPTION.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

H 1114: ELK PARK/DEED TRANSFERRING PROPERTY.

Senate: Reptd Fav

Senate: Re-ref Com On Finance

H 1120: 2 CO. COMM,/DURHAM TECH, BD.

Senate: Special Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref To Com On State and Local Government

H 1134: CLEVELAND COUNTY/ROAD ASSESSMENT CRITERIA.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 1159: CITY OF GREENVILLE/PRIVATE SALE.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 1207: HIGH POINT CHARTER/COUNCIL HIRE CITY ATTORNEY.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 1212: BURLINGTON CHARTER/REVISION AND CONSOLIDATION.

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Special Message Sent To Senate

H 1218: CITY OF MONROE/SUPERVISION OF ATTORNEY.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 1247: AS HEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

H 1248: AUTHORITY TO REMOVE ABANDONED VESSELS.

Senate: Special Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref To Com On State and Local Government

S 731: SOUTHPORT OCCUPANCY TAX MODIFICATION.

Senate: Regular Message Sent To House

House: Regular Message Received From Senate

S 741: BLADEN, COLUMBUS, FRANKLIN, HOKE/TAX CERT. (NEW).

Senate: Concurred In H/Com Sub

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

S 767: ROCKINGHAM DEANNEXATION.

House: Withdrawn From Com House: Re-ref Com On Finance

S 788: TOWN OF DUCK/EMINENT DOMAIN.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 839: WINSTON-S ALEM/PARKING METERS.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

S 845: BALD HEAD IS LAND/CONTRACT POST OFFICE.

Ratified

Ch. SL 2014-23

S 846: SHALLOTTE DEANNEXATIONS.

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

S 851: ALLOW ABSENTEE VOTING/1ST CRAVEN SANITARY DIS.

Senate: Reptd Fav

S 864: YANCEYVILLE ATV USE.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Added to Calendar

S 865: TOWN OF BOONE/EXTRATERRITORIAL JURIS DICTION.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Added to Calendar House: Amend Tabled A1 House: Passed 2nd Reading

S 867: TOWN OF MCDONALD/TERMS OF OFFICE.

Ratified

Ch. SL 2014-24

S 868: TOWN OF PROCTORVILLE/TERMS OF OFFICE.

Ratified

Ch. SL 2014-25

S 871: RALEIGH/DURHAM/DEANNEXATION/ANNEXATION.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Re-ref Com On Finance

S 875: BAKERS VILLE/S TAGGER TERMS OF TOWN COUNCIL.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

S 877: EXEMPT TIME-SHARES/RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Re-ref Com On State and Local Government

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