

The Daily Bulletin: Wednesday, March 11, 2015

PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 79 (2015-2016) [CONTEMPT FOR 50C/ SCOPE OF STAY FOR APPEALS](#). Filed Feb 11 2015, *AN ACT AMENDING THE LAWS PERTAINING TO CIVIL NO-CONTACT ORDERS TO CLARIFY THAT A KNOWING VIOLATION OF A CIVIL NO-CONTACT ORDER IS PUNISHABLE BY CIVIL OR CRIMINAL CONTEMPT AND CLARIFYING THE SCOPE OF STAY ON PROCEEDINGS WHEN A CASE IS ON APPEAL.*

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

Changes the short and long titles.

Amends GS 1-294, Scope of stay; security limited for fiduciaries, providing that unless otherwise provided by the Rules of Appellate Procedure, when an appeal is perfected it stays all further proceedings in the court below upon the judgment appealed from, or upon the matter embraced, except that the court below can proceed on matters included in the action that are not affected by the judgment appealed from.

Amends the effective date clause to provide that the above proposed changes are effective when the act becomes law.

Intro. by Glazier, Stevens, Davis.

[GS 1, GS 50](#)

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[Courts/Judiciary, Civil, Civil Law](#)

H 102 (2015-2016) [UTILITY VEHICLES/LAW ENFORCEMENT](#). Filed Feb 23 2015, *AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, EMERGENCY PERSONNEL, AND MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO OPERATE UTILITY VEHICLES ON SOME PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.*

House amendment #1 makes the following changes to the 2nd edition:

Changes the long title.

Deletes GS 20-171.24(f), which provided for the application of the section to specified counties and municipalities, now making the statute applicable to all counties and municipalities in the state.

Intro. by Davis.

[GS 20](#)

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[Courts/Judiciary, Motor Vehicle, Government, Public Safety, Local Government, Transportation](#)

H 113 (2015-2016) [PROTECT OUR STUDENTS ACT](#). Filed Feb 24 2015, *AN ACT TO PROTECT NORTH CAROLINA'S STUDENTS BY INCREASING THE CRIMINAL PENALTY FOR THE COMMISSION OF CERTAIN SEX OFFENSES COMMITTED AGAINST A STUDENT BY A PERSON WHO IS SCHOOL PERSONNEL AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO OBTAIN A LIST OF STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES AT THE INSTITUTION WHO ARE REGISTERED AS SEX OFFENDERS.*

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

Deletes proposed changes to GS 14-202.4(a).

Makes clarifying and technical changes.

Intro. by Hastings, Presnell, Turner.

GS 14

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Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Education, Higher Education

H 134 (2015-2016) [SOLICITING PROSTITUTION/IMMUNITY FOR MINORS](#). Filed Mar 3 2015, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A MINOR WHO IS SOLICITING AS A PROSTITUTE IS IMMUNE FROM PROSECUTION FOR THE OFFENSE OF SOLICITATION OF PROSTITUTION*.

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

Amends the effective date clause, adding that the act applies to violations occurring on or after the date that the act becomes law.

Intro. by Glazier, Davis, Hamilton, McGrady.

GS 14

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Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure

H 157 (2015-2016) [AMEND ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS](#). Filed Mar 4 2015, *AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS*.

House committee substitute makes the following changes to the 2nd edition.

Deletes proposed changes to GS 130A-309.82, which concerned the use of disposal tax proceeds for white goods and electronic devices. Also deletes the effective date for the above, now deleted, changes.

Intro. by McElraft, Catlin.

GS 62, GS 74, GS 113, GS 113B, GS 130A, GS 143

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Environment, Energy, Government, State Agencies, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health, Public Health

H 193 (2015-2016) [PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATORY PROFILING](#). Filed Mar 10 2015, *AN ACT TO (1) PROHIBIT THE USE OF DISCRIMINATORY PROFILING BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES; (2) AMEND THE TYPES OF INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED BY CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES CONCERNING TRAFFIC LAW ENFORCEMENT; (3) REQUIRE CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO REPORT CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING HOMICIDES; (4) REQUIRE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO RECEIVE ANNUAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING CONCERNING DISCRIMINATORY PROFILING; (5) AUTHORIZE THE USE OF CITIZEN REVIEW BOARDS TO INVESTIGATE OR REVIEW ALLEGATIONS OF CERTAIN POLICE MISCONDUCT; AND (6)*

REQUIRE THAT CERTAIN TRAINING BE PROVIDED TO MEMBERS OF NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME WATCH PROGRAMS ESTABLISHED BY COUNTIES AND CITIES.

Enacts new Article 18, "Discriminatory Profiling," in GS Chapter 15A. Defines *discriminatory profiling* as the practice of subjecting a person to investigation, detention, or arrest based on the person's real or perceived race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, religion, sexual orientation, or gender identity, instead of based on the person's behavior or on information identifying the person as having engaged in criminal activity. Defines *law enforcement officer* as an employee of state and local government agencies, company and campus police agencies certified by the Attorney General, and any special police agency created by the state with the authority to enforce the criminal laws of the state. Also defines *law enforcement officer* in terms of duties and responsibilities for prevention and detection of crime and the authority to arrest by virtue of an oath administered under the authority of the state. Effective when this act becomes law.

Provides that the remainder of this act becomes effective December 1, 2015, and applies to any misconduct committed on or after that date.

Amends GS 143B-903(a) to include in the data to be collected and maintained by the Department of Public Safety (Department) regarding traffic law enforcement whether the law enforcement officers making the stop attempted to determine the immigration status of the driver or passenger(s).

Enacts new GS 143B-904.1 regarding the collection of homicide statistics in this state. Defines *law enforcement agency* as any duly accredited state or local government agency with the authority to enforce the criminal laws of North Carolina. Directs the Department to collect, correlate, and maintain specified data regarding homicides committed in the state, including the number committed, the geographic location where the homicide was committed, identifying characteristics of the offenders and the victims, as well as information regarding the number of cases solved and unsolved. Requires that law enforcement agencies submit the required information within 60 days of the close of each month. Makes any law enforcement agency that fails to submit the required data ineligible for any available law enforcement grants until the information is submitted. Charges the Department to publish and distribute annually by December 1 a list of the law enforcement agencies that will be subject to the reporting requirements during the coming calendar year as of January 1. Directs the Department to make any report or summary under this statute available to the public, including posting the report or summary on the Department's website.

Current law requires the Department to collect, maintain, and annually publish information regarding deaths resulting from the use of deadly force by law enforcement officers in the course and scope of their official duties. Amends GS 143B-904(a) to specify that the collected information contain (1) the number of deaths, including any justified or excused homicides; (2) the geographic location where the death occurred; and (3) identifying characteristics including race or ethnicity, age, gender identity, and sex of the victims and the law enforcement officers.

Amends GS 17C-2 to add the definition for *discriminatory profiling* as defined in GS 15A-306, under new Article 18 in this act.

Under current law, the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission (Commission) is authorized to establish minimum educational training standards to be met in order to qualify for entry level employment and retention as a criminal justice officer. Amends GS 17C-6(a) to provide that the standards for entry-level employment and retention must include education and training concerning (1) the prohibition against discriminatory profiling and (2) the proper techniques for recording and storing information and completing reports as required under GS 143B-903, 143B-904, 143B-904.1, and any other provision of law. Additionally specifies the training content and focus that in-service training must include.

Also amends GS 17E-2 and 17E-4 to incorporate the same educational training standards for entry level employment and retention as apply in GS Chapter 17C to the North Carolina Sheriff's Education and Training Standards Commission's training standards applicable to "justice officers," including a peace officer in the office of the sheriff, and including deputy sheriffs, reserve deputy sheriffs, and special deputy sheriffs. Additionally specifies the training content and focus that in-service training must include.

Enacts new GS 153A-212.3 regarding the establishment of a citizen review board by a county. Provides that a county may establish, by ordinance, a citizen review board or use an existing citizen review board to investigate or review allegations of misconduct by law enforcement officers employed by a law enforcement agency within that county. Requires that the ordinance specify at minimum the following: (1) the composition of the citizen review board, (2) the minimum qualifications to serve on the board, (3) the procedure for appointing persons to the board, (4) the duration of the terms for board members, and (5) the manner in which hearings of the board are to be held. Additionally specifies the powers and the duties of the board, which include the authority to make findings and decisions on disciplinary action of a law enforcement officer alleged to have committed misconduct, and the authority to subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, and compel the production of evidence. Includes definitions of terms as used in this statute, information regarding an appeals process and petitioning for judicial review. Provides that a county and one or more cities in that county may establish a joint citizen review board. Indicates exceptions to the general authority of a citizen review board established by a county under this section.

Enacts a new GS 160A-289.3 regarding the establishment of a citizen review board by a city. Provisions parallel and are the same as those for the establishment of a review board by a county.

Amends GS 153A-212.2, regarding establishing neighborhood crime watch programs within a county, and amends GS 160A-289.2, regarding establishing neighborhood crime watch programs within a city, to require that the county or city, respectively, provide training that meets specified standards for members of a neighborhood crime watch program.

Intro. by R. Moore.

[GS 15A, GS 17C, GS 17E, GS 143B, GS 153A, GS 160A](#)

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Government, Public Safety, Local Government

H 208 (2015-2016) [CREATE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.-AB](#) Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AS AN EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE.*

Part I.

States the General Assembly's findings about consolidating information technology functions and resources under a new Department of Information Technology (Department). States that the Department's purpose is to ensure efficient and effective use of information technology operations, management, and resources and states how the purpose will be achieved.

Part II.

Establishes the Department as a single, unified cabinet-level department that consolidates information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services existing within the principal departments. Transfers all information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services vested in the state entities in GS 143B-6 to the Department and makes additional specified Type I and Type II transfers from the Office of Information Technology Services to the Department.

Amends GS 143B-2 to specify that the Executive Organization Act of 1973 applies to the Department. Amends GS 143B-6 to add the Department to the list of principal departments.

Repeals Article 3D (State Information Technology Services) of GS Chapter 147.

Enacts new Article 14, Department of Information Technology, in GS Chapter 143B, providing as follows. Specifies terms and their definitions for use in the Article, including *information technology*. Requires the Secretary of Information Technology (Secretary) to be qualified by education and experience for the office and to be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Specifies other parameters governing the Secretary's salary and duties. Requires the Department to be funded through appropriations, the Information Technology Fund, and operation of an

internal service fund for receipts.

Exempts the General Assembly, Judicial Department, and UNC and its constituent institutions from the Article but allows those entities to elect to participate in the Department's programs, services, or contracts. Allows agencies to apply to the Secretary to deviate from the Article's Part 3, Shared Information Technology Services, or Part 5, Information Technology Procurement. Specifies further actions depending on whether the request to deviate is granted or denied.

Sets out authority and guidance for hiring employees, appointing deputy secretaries, and designating other positions in the Department.

Requires the Secretary to develop policies for agency information technology planning and financing to achieve the purposes of the act. Requires agencies to submit plans that are required in the act. Requires the Department to analyze the state's legacy information technology systems and develop a plan to ascertain the needs, costs, and time frame required for state agencies to efficiently use information technology systems, resources, security, and data management to achieve the legislative purposes of this act. Requires the Secretary to develop a biennial State Information Technology Plan (Plan) to be transmitted to the General Assembly in conjunction with the Governor's budget of each regular session. Specifies items that must be included in the Plan. Requires the Secretary to develop one or more strategic plans for information technology.

Establishes the Information Technology Fund, which may receive transfers or other credits as authorized by the General Assembly. Includes provisions concerning appropriating money from the Fund, expenditures, and interest earnings.

Requires the Secretary to report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and to the Fiscal Research Division regarding the Fund no later than the first day of the second month following the end of the quarter. Specifies items to be included in the report. Requires the Secretary to report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division on expenditures for the upcoming quarter, the projected year-end balance, and the status report on personnel position changes, including new positions created and existing positions eliminated. Requires the Secretary, by October 1 of each year, to submit to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology a report on all expenditures involving funds appropriated to the Department from the Information Technology Fund for the preceding fiscal year.

Requires the Department, along with the Office of State Budget and Management and the Office of the State Controller to develop budgeting and expenditure processes. Sets out additional requirements for those processes and establishes annual reporting requirements and deadlines.

Requires principal departments and Council of State agencies to cooperate with the Department in efforts to encourage the use of small, minority, physically handicapped, and women contractors in achieving the purposes of this Article. Requires a vendor submitting a bid to disclose in a statement, provided contemporaneously with the bid, where services will be performed under the contract sought. Requires the Secretary to retain the statements required regardless of the state entity that awards the contract and report annually to the Secretary of Administration on the number of contracts which are anticipated to be performed outside the United States. Requires every state agency making a direct information technology purchase using the services of the Department of Information Technology to report directly to the Department of Administration. Requires the Department of Administration to report on that data annually to the Department of Information Technology.

Requires the Department to operate a statewide electronic portal to (1) increase the convenience of members of the public in conducting online transactions with, and obtaining information from, state government and (2) facilitate their interactions and communications with government agencies. Requires the Secretary, beginning June 30, 2015, and then annually thereafter, to the General Assembly and to the Fiscal Research Division on specified information.

Requires the Secretary to oversee the manner and means by which information technology business and disaster recovery plans for the principal department and Council of State agencies are created, reviewed, and updated. Specifies information that must be completed when developing the plans.

Specifies eight Department duties, including submitting all rates and fees for common, shared, and state government-wide technology services provided by the Department to the Office of State Budget and Management for approval; adopting plans, policies, and procedures for the acquisition, management, and use of information technology resources in state agencies; and developing and promoting training programs to efficiently implement, use, and manage information technology resources throughout state government.

Requires the Secretary to exercise authority for telecommunications and other communications relating to the internal management and operations of state agencies. Specifies ten actions that the Secretary must take.

Requires the Secretary to provide local governments with access to communications systems or services established by the Department for State agencies on the same cost basis that applies to state agencies. Also requires the Secretary to establish broadband communications services and allow specified organizations and entities to share on a not-for-profit basis. Provides, however, that communications or broadband telecommunications services provided under the statute does not cause the State or the Department to be classified as a public utility nor as a retailer. Also prohibits the State or the Department from engaging in any activities that may cause those entities to be classified as a common carrier. Authority to share communications services with the specified entities terminates no later than one year from the effective date of a tariff for such service or federal law that preempts this statute.

Requires the Secretary to review all information technology projects for the principal departments and Council of State agencies. Requires approval by the Secretary before proceeding with a project. Allows the Secretary to suspend project approval. Requires all contracts between an agency and a private party for information technology projects to include provisions for vendor performance review and accountability, contract suspension or termination, and funding termination.

Provides that any state agency developing and implementing an information technology project with a total cost of ownership in excess of \$5 million may be required by the Secretary to engage the services of private counsel or subject matter experts with the appropriate information technology and intellectual property expertise; this requirement may also apply to information technology programs that are separated into individual projects if the total cost exceeds \$5 million.

Requires each agency to provide personnel to participate in information technology project management, implementation, testing, and other activities. Requires agency personnel to provide periodic reports, which include specified information, to the assigned project management assistant. Specifies requirements for assigning project managers and sets out their duties.

Allows an affected state agency to request a committee review of the Secretary's decision when the Secretary has denied or suspended the approval of an information technology project or has denied an agency's request for deviation. Specifies the procedure for requesting review. Sets out the membership of the review committee and committee process. Sets out the conditions under which the committee may reverse or modify a decision of the Secretary. Allows the Department to go before a panel consisting of the State Treasurer, the State Controller, and the State Budget Officer, or their designees, to resolve disputes concerning services, fees, and charges incurred by Council of State agencies receiving information technology services from the Department. Requires the State Treasurer to adopt rules for the dispute resolution process. The decisions of the panel are to be final in the settlement of all fee disputes that come before it.

Requires the Department to procure all information technology for principal department and Council of State agencies and sets out factors that must be considered during that process. Sets out six related Department responsibilities. Contract information compiled by the Department is to be made a matter of public record after the award of contract. Allows the Secretary to authorize the use of the electronic procurement system to conduct reverse auctions (as defined) and electronic bidding. Sets out additional conditions concerning reverse auctions and electronic bidding. Requires the Secretary to establish procedures for the procurement of information technology. Allows the Secretary to require agencies to submit information technology procurement requests to the Department on October 1, January 1, and June 1, or another regularly occurring schedule, of each fiscal year in order to allow for bulk purchasing. Makes all offers to contract to be subject to evaluation and selection by acceptance of the most advantageous offer to the state. Sets out items

that must be considered in the evaluation. Sets out exceptions to the competitive bidding requirements.

Requires all state agencies covered by this Article to use contracts for information technology established by the Department. Allows local governments (as defined) to use the information technology programs, services, or contracts offered by the Department in accordance with the statutes, policies, and rules of the Department.

Makes it unlawful for any person, by the use of the powers, policies, or described procedures to purchase, attempt to purchase, procure, or attempt to procure any property or services for private use or benefit. Specifies instances when the prohibition does not apply. Violations are a Class 1 misdemeanor. Makes any employee or official of the State who commits a violation be liable to the state to repay any amount expended, together with any court costs.

Provides that neither the Secretary, any deputy secretary, nor any other policy-making or managerially exempt personnel can be financially interested, or have any personal beneficial interest in the purchase of, or contract for, any information technology, nor in any firm, corporation, partnership, or association furnishing any information technology to the state government, or any of its departments, institutions, or agencies, and prohibits any of these persons or any other Department employee from accepting or receiving from any person, firm, or corporation to whom any contract may be awarded, by rebate, gifts, or otherwise, any money or anything of value whatsoever, or any promise, obligation, or contract for future reward or compensation. Violation of this section is a Class F felony, and any person found guilty of a violation must be removed from state office or employment. Requires the Secretary to require bidders to certify that each bid on information technology contracts overseen by the Department is submitted competitively and without collusion; false certification is a Class I felony.

Requires an award recommendation to be submitted to the Secretary for approval or other action when the dollar value of a contract for the procurement of information technology equipment, materials, and supplies exceeds the benchmark established by GS 143B-1317. Sets out actions that must be taken by the Secretary on the recommendation. Requires the Secretary to report, including specified information, on all contract awards approved through the Statewide Procurement Office.

Requires the Attorney General, at the Secretary's request, to provide legal advice and services as necessary.

Prohibits a state agency, local political subdivision of the state, or other public body from purchasing computer equipment or televisions or enter into a contract with any manufacturer that the Secretary determines is not in compliance with statutory requirements as determined from the list provided by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. Requires the Secretary to issue written findings upon a determination of noncompliance, which is reviewable.

Requires state and local governmental entities to be given the option of purchasing refurbished computer equipment from registered computer equipment refurbishers. Requires documentation of resulting savings to be reported quarterly to the Department. Sets out further requirements concerning the refurbished computer equipment program, which is to be administered by the Statewide Procurement Office. Requires the Department to report the results of the initiative to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division by March 1, 2016, and then quarterly thereafter.

Requires the Secretary to establish standards for information technology security, to be revised annually. Sets out further provisions concerning the purchase of security goods and software, risk assessments, contracts for assessment of network vulnerability, and exceptions. Requires the assessment of agency compliance with the security standards and requires agencies to cooperate with the Secretary by providing specified information.

Part III.

Requires the Department, along with the Office of State Budget and Management and the State Controller, to develop and implement a plan to manage all information technology funding, as soon as practicable. Requires: (1) funding for information technology resources, projects, and contracts to be appropriated to and managed by the Department; (2) funding for Department Shared Services and approved contracts to remain with the agencies; and (3) information

technology budget codes and fund codes to be created as required.

Transfers all employees and all positions in state agencies identified as principal departments in GS 143B-6 who serve in the position of, or exercise responsibilities for, information technology described in this act to the Department. Specifies that the transfers of those employees does not affect any individual employee's current compensation or benefits.

Effective July 1, 2015.

Part IV.

Makes conforming changes to GS 66-58.20, 136-89.194, 138A-3, 143-129, 143C-3-3, 150B-21.1, 150B-38, and 143-59.1. Amends GS 143C-3-3 to expand upon the information that must be included in a request by a state agency for significant state resources for acquiring, operating, or maintaining information technology. Specifies statutes that are amended to replace "Office of Technology Services" with "Department of Information Technology Services" and those amended to replace "State Chief Information Officer" with "Secretary of Information Technology Services." Provides further authority and instruction to the Revisor of Statutes.

Part V.

Provides that no action or proceeding pending on July 1, 2015, brought by or against the Department is affected by any provision of this act, but the same may be prosecuted or defended in the name of the Department. Requires, in these actions and proceedings, that the Department be substituted as a party upon proper application to the courts or other public bodies.

Allows any business or other matter undertaken or commanded by the Department regarding any state program, office, or contract or pertaining to or connected with its respective functions, powers, obligations, and duties that are pending on the date this act becomes effective to be conducted and completed by the Department in the same manner and under the same terms and conditions and with the same effect as if conducted and completed by the former commission, director, or office.

Provides that unless otherwise specifically provided by this act, any previous assignment of duties within the purview of this act by the Governor or General Assembly have continued validity.

Part VI.

Except as otherwise provided, effective when the act becomes law.

Intro. by Saine, Tine, B. Brown.

[GS 66, GS 136, GS 138A, GS 143, GS 143B, GS 143C, GS 150B](#)

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H 209 (2015-2016) [STOPLIGHT/JACKSON SCHOOL FUNDS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC LIGHT IN THE TOWN OF HARRISBURG AND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FENCING AT THE STONEWALL JACKSON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER IN CONCORD.*

Appropriates \$362,000 from the Highway Fund to the Town of Harrisburg, in nonrecurring funds for the 2015-16 fiscal year, for the express purpose of installing a traffic light at the intersection of Tom Query Road and Robinson Church Road. Requires the Town of Harrisburg to match the appropriated funds by contributing \$38,000.

Appropriates from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety \$200,000 in nonrecurring funds for the 2015-16 fiscal year for the construction of fencing to enclose 13 buildings at the Stonewall Jackson Youth Development Center in Concord.

Effective July 1, 2015.

Intro. by Pittman, Ford.

APPROP, Cabarrus

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, Transportation

H 210 (2015-2016) **INDIGENT DEFENSE/RATE INCREASE FUNDS**. Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO INCREASE THE RATE PAID TO PRIVATE ATTORNEYS*.

Appropriates \$6.5 million to the Judicial Department for fiscal year 2015-16 and another \$6.5 million for fiscal year 2016-17 for the purposes of increasing the rates paid by the Office of Indigent Defense Services to private assigned counsel during the 2015-17 fiscal biennium by \$5 an hour, as well as comparable increases for contract attorneys during the same time.

Effective July 1, 2015.

Intro. by Stevens, Floyd, D. Hall.

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Courts/Judiciary, Court System, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Justice

H 211 (2015-2016) **EXPAND USE OF TOXICOLOGY FUNDS**. Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES OF GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE CONFERENCE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEYS*.

Amends GS 18B.4 of SL 2013-360, concerning funds appropriated to the Conference on District Attorneys for district attorneys across the state to obtain toxicology analyses from local hospitals for persons charged with driving while impaired but whose conduct did not result in serious injury or death to others, now providing that the funding can be used (1) to receive a toxicology analysis for those charged as stated above, but adds clarifying language that specifically limits it to cases in which the person's conduct did not result in serious injury or death to others, and (2) for forensic DNA analysis (previously, did not allow funds to be used for DNA analysis). Also provides that the funding can be used to obtain the specified analyses from private laboratories approved by the State Crime Lab as complying with Combined DNA Index System requirements (previously, only approved funds to be used at local hospitals).

Effective July 1, 2015.

Intro. by Stevens, Bryan, Floyd, D. Hall.

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Courts/Judiciary, Court System

H 212 (2015-2016) **INCREASE STATE CRIME LAB SALARIES/FUNDS**. Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE*

FUNDS TO PROVIDE A TEN PERCENT SALARY INCREASE TO EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE CRIME LABORATORY.

Appropriates \$1,023,635 for the 2015-16 fiscal year and \$1,023,635 for the 2016-17 fiscal year from the General Fund to the Department of Justice to provide a 10% salary increase for the following positions in the State Crime Laboratory: (1) forensic scientist I, (2) forensic scientist II, (3) forensic scientist III, (4) forensic scientist supervisor, and (5) forensic scientist manager. Effective July 1, 2015.

Intro. by Stevens, Bryan, Floyd, D. Hall.

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**Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies,
Department of Justice**

H 213 (2015-2016) **AMEND CONSTITUTION/JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE**. Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT CANDIDATES FOR JUDGESHIPS MUST HAVE AT LEAST FIVE YEARS' EXPERIENCE AS LICENSED ATTORNEYS.*

Subject to approval by the voters of the state at the November 4, 2016, general election, amends section 22 of Article IV of the NC Constitution, concerning the qualification of justices and judges, adding language that requires individuals to have at least five years' experience as a licensed attorney in North Carolina in order to be eligible for election or appointment as a justice of the Supreme Court or judge of the Court of Appeals or a judge of superior court or district court. If approved by the voters, the amendment becomes effective January 1, 2017, applying to judicial appointments and elections on or after that date.

Amends GS 7A-142 concerning vacancies of district judges, making conforming changes, providing that people nominated to fill a vacant district judge seat must have at least five years' experience as licensed attorneys in North Carolina. Effective January 1, 2017, if the above constitutional amendment is approved, applying to judicial appointments and elections on or after that date.

Intro. by Stevens, Bryan, Floyd, D. Hall.

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Constitution, Courts/Judiciary, Court System

H 214 (2015-2016) **RAISE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE FOR JUDGES**. Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO RAISE THE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE FOR JUDGES AND JUSTICES OF THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE.*

Amends GS 7A-4.20 to increase the mandatory retirement age for justices and judges of the General Court of Justice from 72 to 75 years of age. Provides that service may not continue beyond the last day of the calendar year (was, last day of month) in which the judge turns 75.

Makes conforming changes to GS 135-57, concerning service retirement under the Consolidated Judicial Retirement Act.

Applies to justice and judges holding office on or after July 1, 2015.

Intro. by Stevens, Bryan, Floyd, D. Hall.

GS 7A, GS 135

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**Courts/Judiciary, Court System, Employment and
Retirement**

H 215 (2015-2016) [PROCEDURE FOR WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURE FOR WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL IN CRIMINAL CASES IN SUPERIOR COURT*.

Enacts new GS 15A-1201(c), concerning the waiving of a jury trial by defendants for which the state is not seeking the death penalty, providing that a defendant that seeks to waive a jury trial pursuant to subsection (b) must give notice of intent to waive a jury trial by any of the following three specified methods: by a stipulation signed by both the state and the defendant and served any counsel for co-defendants, by filing a written notice of intent to waive a jury trial with the court and serving it on the state and any counsel for any co-defendants within the specified time limits, and by giving notice of intent to waive a jury trial on the record in open court by the earlier of either the time of arraignment or the calling of the calendar under GS 7A-749(b) or 7A-749.4(c). Provides that such waivers extend to the whole matter of law and fact, including all factors referred to in GS 20-179 and GS 15A-1340.16(a1). Allows the state, once given notice of the waiver, to contact the presiding judge to determine whether the judge agrees to waiving the jury trial. Provides that once waived and consented to by the judge, it can not be revoked if the judge determines that the revocation would cause unreasonable hardship or delay to the state. Provides that it may be appropriate to make a motion to recuse the trial judge if the trial judge decides any motions made by the defendant to suppress evidence pursuant to GS Chapter 15A, Article 53. Requires the court deciding such a motion to make written findings of fact and conclusions of law.

Enacts new GS 20-179(a3) and GS 15A-1340.16(a6), providing that when a defendant waives the right to a jury trial, pursuant to GS 15A-1201, the trial judge is required to make all findings that would be required of the jury.

Effective July 1, 2015, applying to defendants waiving their right to trial by jury on or after that date.

Intro. by Stevens, Bryan, Floyd, D. Hall.

[GS 15A, GS 20](#)

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H 216 (2015-2016) [GREAT LEADERS FOR GREAT SCHOOLS/STUDY](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT DIRECTING THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO STUDY STRATEGIES FOR PROVIDING NORTH CAROLINA WITH GREAT LEADERS FOR GREAT SCHOOLS*.

Requires the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee to study and make recommendations on implementation of the following initiatives: (1) recruitment of the highest performing leaders for the school leadership administrator role; (2) greater flexibility and autonomy for principals over school-based decisions, including personnel decisions; (3) a compensation plan that will attract and retain principals and assistant principals to the lowest-achieving schools and will reward outstanding leadership at those schools; (4) specialized state professional development for principals and assistant principals that is focused exclusively on turning around the lowest-achieving schools; and (5) strategies for assisting less than proficient principals and assistant principals in improving their work performance and, if necessary, removing them from their positions. Specifies ten items to be considered. Requires a report to the 2016 Regular Session of the 2015 General Assembly, upon its convening.

Intro. by Cotham, Horn.

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H 222 (2015-2016) [RETENTION ELECTIONS/APPELLATE DIVISION](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT ALLOWING VOTERS*

TO ELECT TO RETAIN JUSTICES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SUPREME COURT AND JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS UP FOR ELECTION.

Adds new Article 1A, "Retention Elections," to GS Chapter 7A to provide that if the North Carolina Chief Justice, an Associate Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, or a Judge of the North Carolina Court of Appeals was appointed to the office now held, then the next election for that office must be by ballot as otherwise provided by GS Chapter 7A and GS Chapter 163. Provides that a Chief Justice, an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, or a Judge of the Court of Appeals who was elected to that office at the most recent election, by partisan or by retention election, who wants to continue in office is subject to approval by nonpartisan ballot at the general election immediately preceding the expiration of the term.

Approval requires a majority of the votes cast by qualified voters in support of the justice's or judge's retention. Provides additional criteria for a person to indicate a desire to continue in office and the appropriate notice and filing to be done in order to be on the retention election ballot. Presents the question to be proposed on the retention election ballot. Provides that if voters vote in the affirmative to approve a retention in office, the justice or judge is to be retained for a new eight-year term. Provides that if the voters fail to approve the retention in office, then the office becomes vacant at the term of office, and the office is to be filled by appointment until the next general election when a successor is elected for a full term. Directs the Governor to issue a commission, upon receipt of certification from the Secretary of State as to the results of an election, attesting to the fact that a Justice or a Judge is retained in office via the vote of the people.

Makes conforming changes to GS 7A-10, GS 163-1, GS 163-321, and GS 163-324(a).

Amends GS 7A-16 to delete most of the provisions creating and organizing the North Carolina Court of Appeals. Instead provides that the Court of Appeals must consist of 12 judges elected as provided in Article 1A of GS Chapter 7A. Directs the Chief Justice of the NC Supreme Court to designate one of the judges as Chief Judge, to serve in that capacity at the pleasure of the Chief Justice. Requires that the Court of Appeals take the oath prescribed for a judge of the General Court of Justice before taking the duties of the office.

Intro. by Bryan, Daughtry, Stevens.

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H 224 (2015-2016) [AOC OMNIBUS CHANGES.-AB](#) Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS LAWS AFFECTING THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS.*

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Intro. by Turner, Baskerville.

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PUBLIC/SENATE BILLS

S 78 (2015-2016) [OFF-DUTY CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS/CONCEAL CARRY](#). Filed Feb 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A STATE CORRECTIONAL OFFICER MAY CARRY A CONCEALED WEAPON WHEN OFF-DUTY*.

Senate amendment #1 makes the following changes to the 2nd edition.

Adds language to proposed GS 14-269(b), which allows an off-duty state correctional officer to carry a concealed weapon, requiring the correctional officer to meet the firearms training standards of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety if the concealed weapon carried by the off-duty officer is a handgun.

Intro. by Randleman, Daniel, Newton.

[GS 14](#)

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[Courts/Judiciary](#), [Criminal Justice](#), [Corrections \(Sentencing/Probation\)](#), [Criminal Law and Procedure](#)

S 240 (2015-2016) [DEFINE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF CRNAS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT DEFINING THE PRACTICE OF NURSING BY CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS UNDER THE NURSING PRACTICE ACT*.

Amends GS 90-18(c) to add the practice of nursing by a certified nurse anesthetist, as defined in GS 90-171.20, to the list of acts that do not constitute the practice of medicine or surgery as it is defined in Article 1 of GS Chapter 90.

Amends GS 90-171.20, adding a definition for *nurse anesthesia activities*, as the term is defined in 21 NCAC 36.0226. Provides that the "practice of nursing by a certified registered nurse anesthetist" consists of performing nurse anesthesia

activities in collaboration with a physician, dentist, podiatrist, or other lawfully qualified health care provider and maintaining individual accountability for the outcome of individual actions. Declares that each provider contributes his or her respective area of expertise to lend support to nurse anesthesia activities and defines the roles and responsibilities of the certified registered nurse anesthetist within the practice setting.

Makes additional technical changes.

Intro. by J. Davis.

GS 90

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Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers

S 242 (2015-2016) [ELIMINATE PERSONAL ED. PLANS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO ELIMINATE PERSONAL EDUCATION PLANS FOR STUDENTS*.

As title indicates.

Intro. by Tillman.

GS 115C

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Education, Elementary and Secondary Education

S 245 (2015-2016) [EXPLORATION STATION/GRASSROOTS SCIENCE FUNDS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR EXPLORATION STATION IN ROBESON COUNTY*.

Appropriates \$58,000 for 2015-16 fiscal year and \$58,000 for 2016-17 from the General Fund to the Department of Commerce for State Aid to be used as operating expenses for Exploration Station, an interactive children's museum located in downtown Lumberton. States the General Assembly's intent that Exploration Station receive a recurring allocation from funds appropriated to the Department of Commerce for State Aid for the Grassroots Science Program in subsequent fiscal years based on the formula used to calculate the allocations for funded members of the Grassroots collaborative.

Effective July 1, 2015.

Intro. by

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, Cultural Resources and Museums, State Agencies, Department of Commerce

S 250 (2015-2016) [RESTORE AID TO COUNTY VETERANS SERVICES](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO RESTORE FUNDING FOR STATE ASSISTANCE TO COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE PROGRAMS*.

Reenacts GS 165-6(9).

Requires \$200,000 of the funds appropriated to the Division of Veterans Affairs of the Department of Administration for 2014-15 to be used to make contributions to counties for the maintenance and operation of county veterans service programs.

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, Military and Veteran's Affairs

S 251 (2015-2016) **IN-STATE TUITION FOR CERTAIN VETERANS**. Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO WAIVE THE TWELVE-MONTH RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT AND CHARGE THE IN-STATE TUITION RATE FOR VETERANS WHO RECEIVE CERTAIN FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS, THEIR SPOUSES, AND THEIR DEPENDENT RELATIVES WHO ARE THE RECIPIENTS OF CERTAIN FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS AND TO WAIVE THE TWELVE-MONTH RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT AND CHARGE THE IN-STATE TUITION RATE FOR CERTAIN OTHER VETERANS.*

Enacts new GS 116-143.3A to make veterans meeting the following criteria eligible for the in-state tuition rate and applicable mandatory fees for enrollment at an institution of higher education without satisfying the residency requirement: (1) the veteran applies for admission to the institution of higher education and enrolls within three years of discharge or release from the specified institutions, (2) the veteran qualifies for and uses educational benefits pursuant to 38 USC Chapter 30 (GI Bill) or 38 USC Chapter 33 (Post-9/11 Educational Assistance), (3) the veteran's abode is in North Carolina, and (4) the veteran provides the institution of higher education with a letter of intent to establish residence in North Carolina. Provides that persons who are the spouse or a dependent relative of a veteran are also eligible for the in-state tuition rate and applicable mandatory fees for enrollment without satisfying the residency requirement if they meet all of the following criteria: (1) the individual qualifies for admission to the institution of higher education and enrolls within three years of the veteran's discharge or release from the specified institutions, (2) the individual is the recipient of transferred educational benefits pursuant to 38 USC Chapter 30 (GI Bill) or 38 USC Chapter 33 (Post-9/11 Educational Assistance), (3) the individual's abode is in North Carolina, and (4) the individual provides the institution of higher education with a letter of intent to establish residence in North Carolina. Provides that the individuals qualifying for in-state tuition pursuant to the above provisions remains eligible for the in-state tuition so long as they remain continuously enrolled at that institution of higher education.

Enacts new GS 116-143.3B to allow veterans that do not receive certain federal educational benefits to receive in-state tuition and applicable mandatory fees for enrollment if they meet the following criteria: (1) the veteran does not qualify for educational benefits pursuant to 38 USC Chapter 30 (GI Bill) or 38 USC Chapter 33 (Post-9/11 Educational Assistance), (2) the veteran qualifies for admission to the institution of higher education and enrolls within three years of discharge or release from the specified institutions, (3) the veteran's last duty station was in North Carolina, (4) the veteran's abode is in North Carolina, and (5) the veteran provides the institution of higher education with a letter of intent to establish residence in North Carolina. Provides that veterans qualifying for in-state tuition pursuant to the above provisions concerning veterans who do not qualify for the specified educational benefits remain eligible for the in-state tuition so long as they remain continuously enrolled at that institution of higher education.

Effective July 1, 2015, applying to the specified individuals that enroll or are enrolled in institutions of higher education on or after that date.

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Education, Higher Education, Military and Veteran's Affairs

S 257 (2015-2016) **STEEL MANUFACTURING SLAG**. Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXCLUSION OF USEFUL BYPRODUCTS OF STEEL MANUFACTURING FROM REGULATION AS A SOLID WASTE.*

Identical to H 160, filed 3/4/15.

Amends GS 130A-309.05 to add that slag from the steel manufacturing process that is managed as an item of commercial value and not as a discarded material is not subject to regulation as solid waste under Article 9, Solid Waste Management. Effective October 1, 2015.

Intro. by

[GS 130A](#)

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[Business and Commerce, Health and Human Services, Health, Public Health](#)

S 268 (2015-2016) [CREATE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.-AB](#) Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AS AN EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE.*

Identical to [H 208](#), filed 3/11/15.

Part I.

States the General Assembly's findings about consolidating information technology functions and resources under a new Department of Information Technology (Department). States that the Department's purpose is to ensure efficient and effective use of information technology operations, management, and resources and states how the purpose will be achieved.

Part II.

Establishes the Department as a single, unified cabinet-level department that consolidates information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services existing within the principal departments. Transfers all information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services vested in the state entities in GS 143B-6 to the Department and makes additional specified Type I and Type II transfers from the Office of Information Technology Services to the Department.

Amends GS 143B-2 to specify that the Executive Organization Act of 1973 applies to the Department. Amends GS 143B-6 to add the Department to the list of principal departments.

Repeals Article 3D (State Information Technology Services) of GS Chapter 147.

Enacts new Article 14, Department of Information Technology, in GS Chapter 143B, providing as follows. Specifies terms and their definitions for use in the Article, including information technology. Requires the Secretary of Information Technology (Secretary) to be qualified by education and experience for the office and to be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Specifies other parameters governing the Secretary's salary and duties. Requires the Department to be funded through appropriations, the Information Technology Fund, and operation of an internal service fund for receipts.

Exempts the General Assembly, Judicial Department, and UNC and its constituent institutions from the Article but allows those entities to elect to participate in the Department's programs, services, or contracts. Allows agencies to apply to the Secretary to deviate from the Article's Part 3, Shared Information Technology Services, or Part 5, Information Technology Procurement. Specifies further actions depending on whether the request to deviate is granted or denied.

Sets out authority and guidance for hiring employees, appointing deputy secretaries, and designating other positions in the Department.

Requires the Secretary to develop policies for agency information technology planning and financing to achieve the purposes of the act. Requires agencies to submit plans that are required in the act. Requires the Department to analyze the state's legacy information technology systems and develop a plan to ascertain the needs, costs, and time frame required for state agencies to efficiently use information technology systems, resources, security, and data management to achieve

the legislative purposes of this act. Requires the Secretary to develop a biennial State Information Technology Plan (Plan) to be transmitted to the General Assembly in conjunction with the Governor's budget of each regular session. Specifies items that must be included in the Plan. Requires the Secretary to develop one or more strategic plans for information technology.

Establishes the Information Technology Fund, which may receive transfers or other credits as authorized by the General Assembly. Includes provisions concerning appropriating money from the Fund, expenditures, and interest earnings.

Requires the Secretary to report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and to the Fiscal Research Division regarding the Fund no later than the first day of the second month following the end of the quarter. Specifies items to be included in the report. Requires the Secretary to report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division on expenditures for the upcoming quarter, the projected year-end balance, and the status report on personnel position changes, including new positions created and existing positions eliminated. Requires the Secretary, by October 1 of each year, to submit to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology a report on all expenditures involving funds appropriated to the Department from the Information Technology Fund for the preceding fiscal year.

Requires the Department, along with the Office of State Budget and Management and the Office of the State Controller to develop budgeting and expenditure processes. Sets out additional requirements for those processes and establishes annual reporting requirements and deadlines.

Requires principal departments and Council of State agencies to cooperate with the Department in efforts to encourage the use of small, minority, physically handicapped, and women contractors in achieving the purposes of this Article. Requires a vendor submitting a bid to disclose in a statement, provided contemporaneously with the bid, where services will be performed under the contract sought. Requires the Secretary to retain the statements required regardless of the state entity that awards the contract and report annually to the Secretary of Administration on the number of contracts which are anticipated to be performed outside the United States. Requires every state agency making a direct information technology purchase using the services of the Department of Information Technology to report directly to the Department of Administration. Requires the Department of Administration to report on that data annually to the Department of Information Technology.

Requires the Department to operate a statewide electronic portal to (1) increase the convenience of members of the public in conducting online transactions with, and obtaining information from, state government and (2) facilitate their interactions and communications with government agencies. Requires the Secretary, beginning June 30, 2015, and then annually thereafter, to the General Assembly and to the Fiscal Research Division on specified information.

Requires the Secretary to oversee the manner and means by which information technology business and disaster recovery plans for the principal department and Council of State agencies are created, reviewed, and updated. Specifies information that must be completed when developing the plans.

Specifies eight Department duties, including submitting all rates and fees for common, shared, and state government-wide technology services provided by the Department to the Office of State Budget and Management for approval; adopting plans, policies, and procedures for the acquisition, management, and use of information technology resources in state agencies; and developing and promoting training programs to efficiently implement, use, and manage information technology resources throughout state government.

Requires the Secretary to exercise authority for telecommunications and other communications relating to the internal management and operations of state agencies. Specifies ten actions that the Secretary must take.

Requires the Secretary to provide local governments with access to communications systems or services established by the Department for State agencies on the same cost basis that applies to state agencies. Also requires the Secretary to establish broadband communications services and allow specified organizations and entities to share on a not-for-profit basis. Provides, however, that communications or broadband telecommunications services provided under the statute does not cause the State or the Department to be classified as a public utility nor as a retailer. Also prohibits the State or

the Department from engaging in any activities that may cause those entities to be classified as a common carrier. Authority to share communications services with the specified entities terminates no later than one year from the effective date of a tariff for such service or federal law that preempts this statute.

Requires the Secretary to review all information technology projects for the principal departments and Council of State agencies. Requires approval by the Secretary before proceeding with a project. Allows the Secretary to suspend project approval. Requires all contracts between an agency and a private party for information technology projects to include provisions for vendor performance review and accountability, contract suspension or termination, and funding termination.

Provides that any state agency developing and implementing an information technology project with a total cost of ownership in excess of \$5 million may be required by the Secretary to engage the services of private counsel or subject matter experts with the appropriate information technology and intellectual property expertise; this requirement may also apply to information technology programs that are separated into individual projects if the total cost exceeds \$5 million.

Requires each agency to provide personnel to participate in information technology project management, implementation, testing, and other activities. Requires agency personnel to provide periodic reports, which include specified information, to the assigned project management assistant. Specifies requirements for assigning project managers and sets out their duties.

Allows an affected state agency to request a committee review of the Secretary's decision when the Secretary has denied or suspended the approval of an information technology project or has denied an agency's request for deviation. Specifies the procedure for requesting review. Sets out the membership of the review committee and committee process. Sets out the conditions under which the committee may reverse or modify a decision of the Secretary. Allows the Department to go before a panel consisting of the State Treasurer, the State Controller, and the State Budget Officer, or their designees, to resolve disputes concerning services, fees, and charges incurred by Council of State agencies receiving information technology services from the Department. Requires the State Treasurer to adopt rules for the dispute resolution process. The decisions of the panel are to be final in the settlement of all fee disputes that come before it.

Requires the Department to procure all information technology for principal department and Council of State agencies and sets out factors that must be considered during that process. Sets out six related Department responsibilities. Contract information compiled by the Department is to be made a matter of public record after the award of contract. Allows the Secretary to authorize the use of the electronic procurement system to conduct reverse auctions (as defined) and electronic bidding. Sets out additional conditions concerning reverse auctions and electronic bidding. Requires the Secretary to establish procedures for the procurement of information technology. Allows the Secretary to require agencies to submit information technology procurement requests to the Department on October 1, January 1, and June 1, or another regularly occurring schedule, of each fiscal year in order to allow for bulk purchasing. Makes all offers to contract to be subject to evaluation and selection by acceptance of the most advantageous offer to the state. Sets out items that must be considered in the evaluation. Sets out exceptions to the competitive bidding requirements.

Requires all state agencies covered by this Article to use contracts for information technology established by the Department. Allows local governments (as defined) to use the information technology programs, services, or contracts offered by the Department in accordance with the statutes, policies, and rules of the Department.

Makes it unlawful for any person, by the use of the powers, policies, or described procedures to purchase, attempt to purchase, procure, or attempt to procure any property or services for private use or benefit. Specifies instances when the prohibition does not apply. Violations are a Class 1 misdemeanor. Makes any employee or official of the State who commits a violation be liable to the state to repay any amount expended, together with any court costs.

Provides that neither the Secretary, any deputy secretary, nor any other policy-making or managerially exempt personnel can be financially interested, or have any personal beneficial interest in the purchase of, or contract for, any information technology, nor in any firm, corporation, partnership, or association furnishing any information technology to the state government, or any of its departments, institutions, or agencies, and prohibits any of these persons or any other

Department employee from accepting or receiving from any person, firm, or corporation to whom any contract may be awarded, by rebate, gifts, or otherwise, any money or anything of value whatsoever, or any promise, obligation, or contract for future reward or compensation. Violation of this section is a Class F felony, and any person found guilty of a violation must be removed from state office or employment. Requires the Secretary to require bidders to certify that each bid on information technology contracts overseen by the Department is submitted competitively and without collusion; false certification is a Class I felony.

Requires an award recommendation to be submitted to the Secretary for approval or other action when the dollar value of a contract for the procurement of information technology equipment, materials, and supplies exceeds the benchmark established by GS 143B-1317. Sets out actions that must be taken by the Secretary on the recommendation. Requires the Secretary to report, including specified information, on all contract awards approved through the Statewide Procurement Office.

Requires the Attorney General, at the Secretary's request, to provide legal advice and services as necessary.

Prohibits a state agency, local political subdivision of the state, or other public body from purchasing computer equipment or televisions or enter into a contract with any manufacturer that the Secretary determines is not in compliance with statutory requirements as determined from the list provided by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. Requires the Secretary to issue written findings upon a determination of noncompliance, which is reviewable.

Requires state and local governmental entities to be given the option of purchasing refurbished computer equipment from registered computer equipment refurbishers. Requires documentation of resulting savings to be reported quarterly to the Department. Sets out further requirements concerning the refurbished computer equipment program, which is to be administered by the Statewide Procurement Office. Requires the Department to report the results of the initiative to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division by March 1, 2016, and then quarterly thereafter.

Requires the Secretary to establish standards for information technology security, to be revised annually. Sets out further provisions concerning the purchase of security goods and software, risk assessments, contracts for assessment of network vulnerability, and exceptions. Requires the assessment of agency compliance with the security standards and requires agencies to cooperate with the Secretary by providing specified information.

Part III.

Requires the Department, along with the Office of State Budget and Management and the State Controller, to develop and implement a plan to manage all information technology funding, as soon as practicable. Requires: (1) funding for information technology resources, projects, and contracts to be appropriated to and managed by the Department; (2) funding for Department Shared Services and approved contracts to remain with the agencies; and (3) information technology budget codes and fund codes to be created as required.

Transfers all employees and all positions in state agencies identified as principal departments in GS 143B-6 who serve in the position of, or exercise responsibilities for, information technology described in this act to the Department. Specifies that the transfers of those employees does not affect any individual employee's current compensation or benefits.

Effective July 1, 2015.

Part IV.

Makes conforming changes to GS 66-58.20, 136-89.194, 138A-3, 143-129, 143C-3-3, 150B-21.1, 150B-38, and 143-59.1. Amends GS 143C-3-3 to expand upon the information that must be included in a request by a state agency for significant state resources for acquiring, operating, or maintaining information technology. Specifies statutes that are amended to replace "Office of Technology Services" with "Department of Information Technology Services" and those amended to replace "State Chief Information Officer" with "Secretary of Information Technology Services." Provides further authority and instruction to the Revisor of Statutes.

Part V.

Provides that no action or proceeding pending on July 1, 2015, brought by or against the Department is affected by any provision of this act, but the same may be prosecuted or defended in the name of the Department. Requires, in these actions and proceedings, that the Department be substituted as a party upon proper application to the courts or other public bodies.

Allows any business or other matter undertaken or commanded by the Department regarding any state program, office, or contract or pertaining to or connected with its respective functions, powers, obligations, and duties that are pending on the date this act becomes effective to be conducted and completed by the Department in the same manner and under the same terms and conditions and with the same effect as if conducted and completed by the former commission, director, or office.

Provides that unless otherwise specifically provided by this act, any previous assignment of duties within the purview of this act by the Governor or General Assembly have continued validity.

Part VI.

Except as otherwise provided, effective when the act becomes law.

Intro. by Tarte, Brock, Hise.

[GS 66, GS 136, GS 138A, GS 143, GS 143B, GS 143C, GS 150B](#)

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S 269 (2015-2016) [LANDLORD/TENANT-ALIAS & PLURIES SUMMARY EJECT.](#) Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR SEVERANCE OF SUMMARY EJECTMENT AND MONETARY CLAIMS IN SMALL CLAIMS ACTIONS WHEN SERVICE OF PROCESS ONLY MEETS SUMMARY EJECTMENT STANDARDS AND TO ALLOW FOR THE SEVERED MONETARY CLAIM TO BE CONTINUED WITH ALIAS AND PLURIES SUMMONS.*

Enacts new GS 7A-223(b1) providing that the plaintiff can request that a claim for summary ejectment be severed from the claim for monetary damages in regards to a small claim action demanding summary ejectment and monetary damages, where service of process was achieved solely by first-class mail and affixing the summons and complaint to the premise pursuant to GS 42-29. Requires the magistrate to sever the claim for monetary damages and proceed with the claim for summary ejectment after finding that personal service was not achieved for one or more defendants. Provides that if severed by the magistrate, the plaintiff can extend the action in accordance with GS 1A-1, Rule 4(d). Provides that the judgment of a magistrate in the severed claim for summary ejectment does not prejudice any claims or defenses of any party in the severed claim for monetary damages.

Amends GS 1A-1, Rule 4(h1) to provide that the provisions of this subsection does apply to claims severed by a magistrate pursuant to GS 7A-223(b1).

Effective October 1, 2015.

Intro. by Randleman.

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S 270 (2015-2016) [AOC OMNIBUS CHANGES.-AB](#) Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS LAWS AFFECTING*

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S 271 (2015-2016) [FOUR-YEAR TERM FOR GA/LIMIT CONSECUTIVE TERMS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT AMENDING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE FOUR-YEAR TERMS FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND STAGGER THOSE TERMS SUCH THAT, IN 2016, TWENTY-FIVE MEMBERS IN THE SENATE AND SIXTY MEMBERS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REMAIN IN OFFICE FOR ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR TERMS AND THE REMAINING TWENTY-FIVE MEMBERS IN THE SENATE AND SIXTY MEMBERS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ARE CHOSEN BY BALLOT TO SERVE FOUR-YEAR TERMS, AND LIMITING MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FOUR CONSECUTIVE TERMS IN A LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER.*

Subject to approval by voters at the statewide election in November 2016, makes the following changes to the North Carolina Constitution; if approved, effective with the members elected in 2016. Amends Section 8 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution to require that the terms of members of the General Assembly be staggered so that in 2016 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate selects 25 members and the Speaker of the House selects 60 members to remain in office for an additional two-year term. The remaining members of the Senate and House are to be chosen by ballot and serve four-year terms. In 2018, the members who were chosen to remain in office in 2016 will be elected to four-year terms; in 2020 the members who were chosen by ballot in 2016 will be elected to four-year terms. Specifies that after establishing staggered terms, members serve four-year terms thereafter. Makes conforming changes to Sections 2 and 4.

Subject to approval by voters at the statewide election in November 2016, makes the following changes to the North Carolina Constitution; if approved, effective January 1, 2017. Adds new Section 25 to Article II of the North Carolina Constitution prohibiting a person from being elected to more than four consecutive terms as a member of the General Assembly. Specifies provisions for those filling vacancies. Specifies that terms of office beginning before January 1, 2017, are not considered.

Intro. by Rabin, Tarte, Daniel.

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[Constitution, Government, General Assembly](#)

S 272 (2015-2016) [ELIMINATE PERSONAL ED. PLANS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO ELIMINATE PERSONAL EDUCATION PLANS FOR STUDENTS*.

Identical to [S 242](#) filed on 3/11/15.

As the title indicates.

Intro. by Tillman, Apodaca.

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LOCAL/HOUSE BILLS

H 207 (2015-2016) [SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./CUMBERLAND COUNTY](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING ITS SCHOOL CALENDAR*.

Under current law, GS 115C-84.2(d) provides authority to local boards of education to determine the opening and closing dates for public schools under GS 115C-84.2(a)(1). However, the local boards must comply with specified parameters for the opening and closing dates of public schools as provided in GS 115C-84.2(d). Subsection (d) also provides criteria under which the State Board of Education may waive those requirements upon a showing of good cause by a local board of education.

Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) as the title indicates. Provides that, except for year-round schools, the opening date for students can be no earlier than August 1. Requires all first-semester exams to be given before winter break. Deletes provisions concerning the closing dates and waivers. Adds new language that provides that regardless of the required opening date under subsection (d), a local school board may choose to schedule the opening and closing dates for any school in the local administrative unit to align with the opening and closing dates of a community college that serves the city or county in which the school unit is located.

This act applies only to the Cumberland County school administrative unit, beginning with the 2015-16 school year.

Intro. by Lucas, Floyd, Glazier.

Cumberland

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Education, Elementary and Secondary Education

H 217 (2015-2016) [CLAYTON DEANNEXATION/ANNEXATION](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO DEANNEX A DESCRIBED PARCEL FROM THE TOWN OF CLAYTON, AND TO ANNEX A DESCRIBED PARCEL TO THE TOWN OF CLAYTON.*

As the title indicates. Effective June 30, 2015.

Intro. by Daughtry.

Johnston

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H 218 (2015-2016) [CLAYTON ANNEXATION](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO ANNEX CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE TOWN OF CLAYTON.*

As the title indicates. Effective June 30, 2015.

Intro. by Daughtry.

Johnston

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H 219 (2015-2016) [CARRBORO BUILDING CODES](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF CARRBORO TO ADOPT AND ENFORCE WITHIN ITS CORPORATE LIMITS AND EXTRATERRITORIAL PLANNING JURISDICTION THE 2012 ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE AND 2012 RESIDENTIAL CODE.*

Identical to [S 179](#), filed 3/4/15.

As title indicates, authorizes the Town of Carrboro, notwithstanding any other provision or law to the contrary, to by ordinance make mandatory and enforce within its corporate limits and extraterritorial planning jurisdiction all the provisions of Appendix 4 of the 2012 Energy Conservation Code.

Intro. by Insko.

Orange

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Development, Land Use and Housing, Building and Construction

H 220 (2015-2016) [SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/CERTAIN COUNTIES](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CERTAIN BOARDS OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THEIR SCHOOL CALENDARS.*

Under current law, GS 115C-84.2(d) provides authority to local boards of education to determine the opening and closing dates for public schools under GS 115C-84.2(a)(1). However, the local boards must comply with specified

parameters for the opening and closing dates of public schools as provided in GS 115C-84.2(d). Subsection (d) also provides criteria under which the State Board of Education may waive those requirements upon a showing of good cause by a local board of education.

Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) as the title indicates. Provides that, except for year-round schools, the opening date for students can be no earlier than August 1. Requires all first-semester exams to be given before winter break. Deletes provisions concerning the closing dates and waivers. Adds new language that provides that regardless of the required opening date under subsection (d), a local school board may choose to schedule the opening and closing dates for any school in the local administrative unit to align with the opening and closing dates of a community college that serves the city or county in which the school unit is located.

This act applies only to the Person and Granville county school administrative units, beginning with the 2015-16 school year.

Intro. by

[Granville, Person](#)

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[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education](#)

H 221 (2015-2016) [LAKE SANTEETLAH OCCUPANCY TAX AUTHORIZATION](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF LAKE SANTEETLAH TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX.*

Identical to [S 140](#) filed on 3/3/15.

Authorizes the Lake Santeetlah Town Council to levy a room occupancy tax of up to 3 percent. Provides that the tax must be levied, administered, collected, and repealed as provided in GS 160A-215 (uniform provisions for room occupancy taxes). Requires the Lake Santeetlah Tourism Development Authority (TDA) to be created and requires the TDA to use at least two-thirds of the occupancy tax proceeds to promote travel and tourism in the town and the remainder for tourism-related expenditures. Mandates that at least one-third of the members of the TDA be affiliated with businesses that collect the tax in the town and at least one-half must be currently active in the town's travel and tourism promotion. Makes conforming changes to GS 160A-215.

Intro. by West.

[Graham](#)

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[Government, Tax](#)

H 223 (2015-2016) [SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./CALDWELL CO. SCHOOLS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.*

Under current law, GS 115C-84.2(d) provides authority to local boards of education to determine the opening and closing dates for public schools under GS 115C-84.2(a)(1). However, the local boards must comply with specified parameters for the opening and closing dates of public schools as provided in GS 115C-84.2(d). Subsection (d) also provides criteria under which the State Board of Education may waive those requirements upon a showing of good cause by a local board of education.

Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) to add that regardless of the required opening date under subsection (d), a local school board may choose to schedule school opening and closing dates for any school in the local administrative unit to coincide with the opening and closing dates of a community college that serves the city or county in which the school unit is located.

This act applies only to the Caldwell County school administrative unit, beginning with the 2015-16 school year.

Intro. by

Caldwell

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Education, Elementary and Secondary Education

LOCAL/SENATE BILLS

S 239 (2015-2016) [14TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT LOCAL ACT-1](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT RELATING TO THE 14TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.*

Blank bill.

Intro. by Blue.

Wake

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S 241 (2015-2016) [RALEIGH/CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF RALEIGH TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO SELL, EXCHANGE, OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER REAL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS.*

Identical to [H 198](#), filed 3/10/15.

Amends Section 22 of the City of Raleigh Charter (SL 1949-1184), as the title indicates. Provides that a conveyance of real property under this section may be made only under a resolution of the city council that authorizes the sale. Requires at least 10 days' public notice of the proposed transaction and specifies the required content of the notice.

Intro. by Stein, Blue.

Wake

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Development, Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing

S 243 (2015-2016) [11TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT LOCAL ACT-1](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT RELATING TO THE 11TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.*

Blank bill.

Intro. by Newton.

Johnston, Nash, Wilson

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S 244 (2015-2016) [SCHOOLS CLOSED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO GIVE QUALIFYING LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION IN CERTAIN COUNTIES THE ABILITY TO BETTER MANAGE INSTRUCTIONAL TIME LOST DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER OR OTHER EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.*

Under current law, the school calendar consists of a minimum of 185 instructional days for students or 1,025

instructional hours. Amends GS 115C-84.2(a) (School calendar) and GS 115C-281.85(a)(1) (Course of study requirements) to provide that when a school is closed because of inclement weather, a natural disaster, damage to a school facility, or a state of emergency, the school is required to make up a maximum of the average days or hours made up for the last five years. Makes this provision applicable only to the Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Caldwell, and Watauga County school administrative units. Applies beginning with the 2015-16 school year.

Intro. by Soucek.

[Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Caldwell, Watauga, GS 115C](#)

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[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education](#)

S 246 (2015-2016) [INCREASE OPTIONS FOR LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ROBESON COUNTY TO USE THE PROCEEDS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SALES AND USE TAX FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION IN LIEU OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION*.

Adds new Article 43A to Subchapter VIII of GS Chapter 105 as the title indicates. Prohibits a tax levied under this Article from being in effect in a county at the same time as a tax levied under Article 43 (local government sales and use taxes for public transportation) of GS Chapter 105. Provides that a county board of commissioners may direct the county board of elections to conduct an advisory referendum in accordance with the procedures of GS 163-287, in which the question is whether to levy a local sales and use tax in the county at the rate of one-quarter percent in addition to the current local sales and use taxes, to be used only for financing school construction or renovation or purchase of land or facilities for schools and related indebtedness, instead of financing local public transportation systems. Provides additional guidelines and restrictions regarding the administration and use of a tax levied under this Article.

Limits application of this act to Robeson County only.

Intro. by

[Robeson](#)

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[Government, Tax, Local Government](#)

S 247 (2015-2016) [RALEIGH/DONATE SERVICE ANIMALS TO OFFICERS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF RALEIGH TO ALLOW THE CITY TO DONATE RETIRED ANIMALS USED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OR ANY OTHER CITY AGENCY TO THE POLICE OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE WHO HAD NORMAL CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THE ANIMAL*.

Identical to [H 199](#) filed on 3/10/15.

As title indicates.

Intro. by Stein, Blue.

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[Animals, Government, Public Safety](#)

S 248 (2015-2016) [TOWN OF CARY/RELEASE UNNEEDED EASEMENTS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CARY TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN COUNCIL TO DELEGATE TO THE CITY MANAGER THE AUTHORITY TO DISPOSE OF EASEMENTS THAT ARE NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE TOWN*.

Adds a new Article to the Cary Town Charter giving the town council the ability to authorize the city manager or deputy

city manager to dispose of water or sewer easements or similar interests in real property without town council approval if it is: (1) part of an exchange for other water and sewer easements or similar interests in property or (2) when the easement or similar interest in real property is no longer needed by the town. Specifies that Article 12 (sale and disposition of property) of GS Chapter 160A of the General Statutes does not apply to these dispositions of property.

Intro. by Stein, Barringer.

Wake

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S 249 (2015-2016) [ZONING/RECREATIONAL LAND REQ.-MORRISVILLE](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE TOWN OF MORRISVILLE TO REQUIRE DEVELOPERS OF MULTIFAMILY UNITS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR RECREATIONAL LAND TO SERVE MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPMENTS.*

Amends SL 2007-321 as the title indicates.

Intro. by Stein.

Wake

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S 252 (2015-2016) [WAKE CTY LOCAL BOARD OF EQUALIZATION/REVIEW](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT REGARDING A SPECIAL BOARD OF EQUALIZATION AND REVIEW FOR WAKE COUNTY.*

Current law requires, except as provided in GS 105-322, the board of equalization and review to consist of the members of the board of county commissioners, but authorizes the board of commissioners to appoint a special board of equalization and review to carry out the duties specified under GS 105-322.

Amends GS 105-322 to require that should the county commissioners appoint a special board of equalization and review, it must have at a minimum, five members. Specifies the following qualifications of persons eligible for appointment: (1) must be at least 18 years old; (2) must own at least one parcel of real property in the county of appointment; and (3) must have knowledge or experience in real estate, appraisal, or other activity satisfactory to the board of county commissioners. Provides that the assessor or the assessor's designee is to serve as clerk to the board of equalization and review. Provides that in order for the board of equalization and review to carry out its duties, the board chair may divide the board into two or more separate panels with a minimum of three members each in any year of general appraisal. Permits the board members on each panel to be interchangeable during the year. Provides that a decision by a panel has the same effect as a decision by the entire board. Amends the powers available to the board after its adjournment to include making any changes authorized under GS 105-325 and to exercise its authority under GS 105-282.1(a1) to accept an application for an exemption or exclusion after the statutory deadline.

Applies to Wake County only.

Intro. by Barringer, Stein.

Wake

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S 253 (2015-2016) [20TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT LOCAL ACT-1](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT RELATING TO THE 20TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.*

Blank bill.

Intro. by McKissick.

Durham, Granville

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S 254 (2015-2016) [DURHAM CO. SBHCS/CONTRACEPTIVE SERVICES](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PERMIT SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS IN DURHAM COUNTY TO OFFER CONTRACEPTIVE SERVICES.*

As title indicates.

Intro. by McKissick, Woodard.

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[Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers](#)

S 255 (2015-2016) [DURHAM VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION PETITIONS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DURHAM TO ALLOW THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE CITY COUNCIL TO GIVE NOTICE OF AND HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON APPLICATIONS FOR INITIAL ZONING OF PROPERTY SUBJECT TO A VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION PETITION PRIOR TO THE PASSAGE OF AN ANNEXATION ORDINANCE.*

Amends Section 89 of the Charter of the City of Durham, as previously amended, to provide that once the Planning Commission receives a voluntary annexation petition, it is authorized and empowered to give notice of and hold public hearings to review and take comments to the city council on applications for the initial city zoning of the property subject to the voluntary annexation petition prior to the passage of an annexation ordinance. Provides that the city council is authorized to give notice of public hearings required for the initial zoning of property subject to a voluntary annexation petition prior to the passage of an annexation ordinance. Provides that the city council can only hold the initial zoning public hearings and vote on the initial zoning of such property subject to a voluntary annexation petition after the passage of an annexation ordinance.

Intro. by McKissick, Woodard.

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S 256 (2015-2016) [DURHAM VOLUNTARY ANNEXATIONS/ADJACENT STREETS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DURHAM TO ALLOW THE CITY TO ANNEX ADJACENT STREETS OR STREET RIGHTS-OF-WAY IN VOLUNTARY ANNEXATIONS TO PREVENT CONFUSION ON THE PART OF EMERGENCY WORKERS WHEN ATTEMPTING TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY SERVICES WITHIN CITY LIMITS.*

Amends the Charter of the City of Durham by adding new Section 2.8 which provides, notwithstanding GS 160A-31(i) or GS 160A-58.7(b), that in an annexation ordinance adopted under GS Chapter 160A, Article 4A, Part 1 (Extension by Petition) or Part 4 (Annexation of Noncontiguous Areas), the city council can include any adjacent streets or street rights-of-way in the description of the area to be annexed.

Intro. by McKissick, Woodard.

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S 258 (2015-2016) [PARTY EXEC. COMM./FILL VACANCY/WASHINGTON CTY.](#) Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT IN FILLING VACANCIES ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND IN THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, THE PERSON RECOMMENDED BY THE PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE VACATING MEMBER BE APPOINTED.*

As title indicates.

Intro. by

[Washington](#)

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S 259 (2015-2016) [SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./CERTAIN SCHOOL SYSTEMS.](#) Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CERTAIN LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THEIR SCHOOL CALENDARS.*

Under current law, GS 115C-84.2(d) provides authority to local boards of education to determine the opening and closing dates for public schools under GS 115C-84.2(a)(1). However, the local boards must comply with specified parameters for the opening and closing dates of public schools as provided in GS 115C-84.2(d). Subsection (d) also provides criteria under which the State Board of Education may waive those requirements upon a showing of good cause by a local board of education.

Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) as the title indicates. Deletes all provisions of subsection (d) except the authorization given to local boards of education to determine the opening and closing dates for public schools. This act applies only to the Bertie, Chowan, Edgecombe, Hertford, Martin, Northampton, Tyrrell, and Washington county school administrative units beginning with the 2015-16 school year.

Intro. by

[Bertie, Chowan, Edgecombe, Hertford, Martin, Northampton, Tyrrell, Washington](#)

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S 260 (2015-2016) [PERMIT ALIGN SCHOOL/COMM. COLLEGE CALENDAR.](#) Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PERMIT CERTAIN LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO ALIGN THEIR SCHOOL CALENDARS WITH THOSE OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES SERVING THEIR COMMUNITIES.*

Under current law, GS 115C-84.2(d) provides authority to local boards of education to determine the opening and closing dates for public schools under GS 115C-84.2(a)(1). However, the local boards must comply with specified parameters for the opening and closing dates of public schools as provided in GS 115C-84.2(d). Subsection (d) also provides criteria under which the State Board of Education may waive those requirements upon a showing of good cause by a local board of education.

Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) to add that regardless of the required opening date under subsection (d), a local school board may choose to align school calendars in the local administrative unit with the calendar of a community college that serves the city or county in which the school unit is located.

This act applies only to the Halifax County, Nash-Rocky Mount, Roanoke Rapids, Vance County, Warren County,

Weldon City, and Wilson County school administrative units, beginning with the 2015-16 school year.

Intro. by Bryant.

[Halifax, Nash, Vance, Warren, Wilson](#)

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S 261 (2015-2016) [STOKESDALE FIRE DISTRICT ASSESSMENT](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE STATUTES PERTAINING TO THE ASSESSMENT FOR THE STOKESDALE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT.*

As the title indicates. Makes clarifying changes to GS 69-25.1 (election to be held upon petition of voters) as it applies to Guilford and Rockingham counties.

Intro. by Wade.

[Guilford, Rockingham](#)

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S 262 (2015-2016) [37TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT LOCAL ACT-1](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT RELATING TO THE 37TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.*

Blank bill.

Intro. by J. Jackson.

[Mecklenburg](#)

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S 263 (2015-2016) [CABARRUS PUBLIC HEALTH FUNDS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE PERMANENT FUNDS FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY OF CABARRUS COUNTY.*

Requires, of the net proceeds of the tax to be distributed to Cabarrus County for taxes levied under Article 39 (first one cent of local government sales and use tax) of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes, the Secretary of Revenue is to distribute each month to the Public Health Authority of Cabarrus County an amount equal to the product of multiplying \$2.22 by the number of residents within the county. Effective July 1, 2015.

Intro. by Hartsell.

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S 264 (2015-2016) [CLAYTON ANNEXATION](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO ANNEX CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE TOWN OF CLAYTON.*

Identical to [H 218](#) filed on 3/11/15.

As the title indicates. Effective June 30, 2015.

Intro. by Newton.

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S 265 (2015-2016) [CLAYTON DEANNEXATION/ANNEXATION](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO DEANNEX A DESCRIBED PARCEL FROM THE TOWN OF CLAYTON, AND TO ANNEX A DESCRIBED PARCEL TO THE TOWN OF CLAYTON.*

Identical to [H 217](#) filed on 3/11/15.

As the title indicates. Effective June 30, 2015.

Intro. by Newton.

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S 266 (2015-2016) [CLEVELAND COUNTY CORONER/ME RECOMMENDATIONS](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT EXPANDING THE CATEGORY OF INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE APPOINTED AS COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINERS IN CLEVELAND COUNTY.*

Requires the chief medical examiner to give preference to physicians licensed to practice medicine in this State when appointing medical examiners in Cleveland County but allows appointing licensed physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses, coroners, emergency medical technician-paramedics, and individuals deemed qualified and recommended by a duly elected coroner.

Intro. by Daniel.

[Cleveland](#)

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S 267 (2015-2016) [SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG](#). Filed Mar 11 2015, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.*

Under current law, GS 115C-84.2(d) provides authority to local boards of education to determine the opening and closing dates for public schools under GS 115C-84.2(a)(1). However, the local boards must comply with specified parameters for the opening and closing dates of public schools as provided in GS 115C-84.2(d). Subsection (d) also provides criteria under which the State Board of Education may waive those requirements upon a showing of good cause by a local board of education.

Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) as the title indicates. Deletes all provisions of subsection (d) except the authorization given to local boards of education to determine the opening and closing dates for public schools. Requires that all first-semester exams be given before winter break. This act applies only to the Charlotte-Mecklenburg school administrative units beginning with the 2015-16 school year

Intro. by Tarte, J. Jackson.

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ACTIONS ON BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS

H 31: 0.00 ALCOHOL RESTRICTION-ALL DWI.

Senate: Regular Message Received From House
Senate: Passed 1st Reading
Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

H 32: AMEND HABITUAL DWI.

Senate: Regular Message Received From House
Senate: Passed 1st Reading
Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

H 41: REVENUE LAWS TECHNICAL CHANGES.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate
Senate: Regular Message Received From House
Senate: Passed 1st Reading
Senate: Ref To Com On Finance

H 55: PUBLIC EXHIBIT OF FIREWORKS/NCSU.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate
Senate: Regular Message Received From House
Senate: Passed 1st Reading
Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

H 59: CLARIFY REPORT ADMISSIBILITY.

Senate: Regular Message Received From House
Senate: Passed 1st Reading
Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

H 71: CLARIFY COUNTY COMM OATH FILING.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate
Senate: Regular Message Received From House
Senate: Passed 1st Reading
Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

H 79: CONTEMPT FOR 50C/ SCOPE OF STAY FOR APPEALS.

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute
House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)
House: Added to Calendar
House: Passed 2nd Reading
House: Passed 3rd Reading

H 102: UTILITY VEHICLES/LAW ENFORCEMENT.

House: Amend Adopted A1
House: Passed 2nd Reading
House: Placed On Cal For 03/16/2015

H 113: PROTECT OUR STUDENTS ACT.

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

House: Re-ref Com On Finance

House: Withdrawn From Com

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

House: Placed On Cal For 03/17/2015

H 134: SOLICITING PROSTITUTION/IMMUNITY FOR MINORS.

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

House: Added to Calendar

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

H 157: AMEND ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS.

House: Reptd Fav Com Sub 2

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

House: Added to Calendar

House: Amend Failed AI

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Special Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Special Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref To Com On Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources

H 182: PROPERTY INSURANCE FAIRNESS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Insurance, if favorable, Finance

H 183: REPEAL MAP ACT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Transportation, if favorable, Finance

H 184: CHANGE DCR PROCESS FOR UNCLAIMED PROPERTY.-AB

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 185: REPEAL DCR'S OBSOLETE COMMS & LANGUAGE.-AB

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 186: CAPE FEAR WATER RESOURCES AVAILABILITY STUDY.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Environment

H 187: STALKING BY GPS/CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Judiciary II

H 190: STATE HEALTH PLAN MODIFICATIONS.-AB

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on State Personnel, if favorable, Appropriations

H 191: OCC. LIC./AMEND FEE LIST BARBER EXAMINERS BD.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Regulatory Reform, if favorable, Finance

H 192: COMPLIANCE COURT COSTS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Judiciary II, if favorable, Finance

H 193: PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATORY PROFILING.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Judiciary I, if favorable, Appropriations

H 195: ALLOW SUBSTITUTION OF BIOSIMILARS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Health

H 196: DOI LICENSE PROCESSING FEES.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Insurance

H 200: AMEND CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Health, if favorable, Judiciary I, if favorable, Appropriations

H 201: ZONING CHANGES/CITIZEN INPUT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Local Government

H 202: SUPT. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION MEMBER OF SBE.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Education - K-12

H 208: CREATE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.-AB

House: Filed

H 209: STOPLIGHT/JACKSON SCHOOL FUNDS.

House: Filed

H 210: INDIGENT DEFENSE/RATE INCREASE FUNDS.

House: Filed

H 211: EXPAND USE OF TOXICOLOGY FUNDS.

House: Filed

H 212: INCREASE STATE CRIME LAB SALARIES/FUNDS.

House: Filed

H 213: AMEND CONSTITUTION/JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE.

House: Filed

H 214: RAISE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE FOR JUDGES.

House: Filed

H 215: PROCEDURE FOR WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL.

House: Filed

H 216: GREAT LEADERS FOR GREAT SCHOOLS/STUDY.

House: Filed

H 222: RETENTION ELECTIONS/APPELLATE DIVISION.

House: Filed

S 20: IRC UPDATE/MOTOR FUEL CHANGES. (NEW)

House: Conf Com Appointed

S 125: JIM FULGHUM TEEN SKIN CANCER PREVENTION ACT.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Re-ref Com On Health Care

S 232: HONOR GIRL SCOUTS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar

Senate: Adopted

S 240: DEFINE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF CRNAS.

Senate: Filed

S 242: ELIMINATE PERSONAL ED. PLANS.

Senate: Filed

S 245: EXPLORATION STATION/GRASSROOTS SCIENCE FUNDS.

Senate: Filed

S 250: RESTORE AID TO COUNTY VETERANS SERVICES.

Senate: Filed

S 251: IN-STATE TUITION FOR CERTAIN VETERANS.

Senate: Filed

S 257: STEEL MANUFACTURING SLAG.

Senate: Filed

S 268: CREATE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.-AB

Senate: Filed

S 269: LANDLORD/TENANT-ALIAS & PLURIES SUMMARY EJECT.

Senate: Filed

S 270: AOC OMNIBUS CHANGES.-AB

Senate: Filed

S 271: FOUR-YEAR TERM FOR GA/LIMIT CONSECUTIVE TERMS.

Senate: Filed

S 272: ELIMINATE PERSONAL ED. PLANS.

Senate: Filed

LOCAL BILLS

H 43: WINSTON-SALEM/PARKING METERS.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

H 58: ALAMANCE COUNTY SHERIFF/FOOD PURCHASES.

House: Postponed To 03/16/2015

H 188: TRUSTEE APPOINTMENTS/ISOTHERMAL COMM. COLL.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Education - Community Colleges

H 189: ROCKINGHAM CO. SCHOOL BD.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Elections

H 194: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/ROANOKE RAPIDS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Education - K-12

H 197: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/2014-2015.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Education - K-12

H 198: RALEIGH/CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Local Government

H 199: RALEIGH/DONATE SERVICE ANIMALS TO OFFICERS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref To Com On Local Government

H 207: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

House: Filed

H 217: CLAYTON DEANNEXATION/ANNEXATION.

House: Filed

H 218: CLAYTON ANNEXATION.

House: Filed

H 219: CARRBORO BUILDING CODES.

House: Filed

H 220: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/CERTAIN COUNTIES.

House: Filed

H 221: LAKE SANTEE/TAHLEAH OCCUPANCY TAX AUTHORIZATION.

House: Filed

H 223: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./CALDWELL CO. SCHOOLS.

House: Filed

S 36: GREENSBORO CITY COUNCIL CHANGES.

Senate: Amend Tabled A1

S 181: WAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS.

Senate: Amend Tabled A1

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

S 239: 14TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT LOCAL ACT-1.

Senate: Filed

S 241: RALEIGH/CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.

Senate: Filed

S 243: 11TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT LOCAL ACT-1.

Senate: Filed

S 244: SCHOOLS CLOSED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER.

Senate: Filed

S 246: INCREASE OPTIONS FOR LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX.

Senate: Filed

S 247: RALEIGH/DONATE SERVICE ANIMALS TO OFFICERS.

Senate: Filed

S 248: TOWN OF CARY/RELEASE UNNEEDED EASEMENTS.

Senate: Filed

S 249: ZONING/RECREATIONAL LAND REQ.-MORRISVILLE.

Senate: Filed

S 252: WAKE CTY LOCAL BOARD OF EQUALIZATION/REVIEW.

Senate: Filed

S 253: 20TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT LOCAL ACT-1.

Senate: Filed

S 254: DURHAM CO. SBHCS/CONTRACEPTIVE SERVICES.

Senate: Filed

S 255: DURHAM VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION PETITIONS.

Senate: Filed

S 256: DURHAM VOLUNTARY ANNEXATIONS/ADJACENT STREETS.

Senate: Filed

S 258: PARTY EXEC. COMM./FILL VACANCY/WASHINGTON CTY.

Senate: Filed

S 259: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./CERTAIN SCHOOL SYSTEMS.

Senate: Filed

S 260: PERMIT ALIGN SCHOOL/COMM. COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Senate: Filed

S 261: STOKESDALE FIRE DISTRICT ASSESSMENT.

Senate: Filed

S 262: 37TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT LOCAL ACT-1.

Senate: Filed

S 263: CABARRUS PUBLIC HEALTH FUNDS.

Senate: Filed

S 264: CLAYTON ANNEXATION.

Senate: Filed

S 265: CLAYTON DEANNEXATION/ANNEXATION.

Senate: Filed

S 266: CLEVELAND COUNTY CORONER/ME RECOMMENDATIONS.

Senate: Filed

S 267: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG.

Senate: Filed

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