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PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 107 (2019-2020) [PED OVERSIGHT/EPP CHANGES](#). Filed Feb 19 2019, *AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND DATA REPORTING SYSTEM.*

Senate amendment makes the following changes to the 4th edition.

Further amends GS 115C-269.35(a) regarding performance standards for educator preparation programs (EPPs) the State Board of Education (State Board) must establish. Eliminates the proposed requirement that the standards include the two-year retention rate for individuals who completed an EPP and became initially licensed and employed in an NC public school; maintains the proposed elimination of the requirement that the standards include the quality of students entering the EPP. Makes conforming changes. Further amends GS 115C-269.35(b)(11) regarding annual performance reports of EPPs, to more specifically require the reports to include the retention of beginning educators in the profession for at least two years after licensure in the state (previously, did not specify NC licensure). Makes changes to retain the requirement for the State Board to annually provide this data on beginning educators specified in subsection (b)(11) upon request (previously, eliminated). Clarifies that the proposed changes apply to reports submitted by the State Board and reviews by the State Board beginning with those based on data from the 2019-20 academic year (was, beginning with the 2019-20 academic year).

Requires the State Board to study the inclusion as a performance measure for EPPs the two-year retention rate for individuals who completed the EPP and became initially licensed and employed in an NC public school. Requires the State Board to consult with the Professional Educator Preparation and Standards Commission and report to the specified NCGA committee by February 15, 2020. Explicitly prohibits the State Board from implementing the two-year retention rate as a performance measure without express legislative authorization.

Intro. by Horn, Farmer-Butterfield, Lucas.

[STUDY, GS 115C](#)

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[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Government, State Agencies, Department of Public Instruction, State Board of Education](#)

H 228 (2019-2020) [MODERNIZE LAWS PERTAINING TO NC MEDICAL BOARD.-AB](#) Filed Feb 27 2019, *AN ACT TO MODERNIZE LAWS PERTAINING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD AND THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE.*

Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to the 6th edition.

Part V.

Amends GS 90-411 by removing the provision requiring the fee for copying any document or record on file to bear a reasonable relation to the number of copies and the cost of purchasing or leasing and maintaining copying equipment, as well as the provision allowing fees to be changed but requiring a schedule of fees to be available on request at all times.

Intro. by Murphy.

[GS 8, GS 14, GS 55B, GS 90, GS 130A, GS 143](#)

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[Business and Commerce, Corporation and Partnerships, Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Government, APA/Rule Making, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers](#)

H 449 (2019-2020) [SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES](#). Filed Mar 25 2019, *AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE A "KEEPING THE LIGHTS ON" SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE*.

Senate amendment to the 3rd edition makes the following changes.

In addition to the new subdivision to produce the Keeping the Lights On special registration plate, enacts another new subdivision to GS 20-79.4(b) to produce a special registration plate for POW/MIA Bring Them Home, as described. Plate issuance is contingent on the receipt of at least 350 plate applications under GS 20-79.3A. Establishes a special plate fee of \$20 for the POW/MIA Bring Them Home plate and requires that \$10 of that amount be transferred quarterly to Rolling Thunder, Inc., Chapter #1. Adds that the POW/MIA Bring Them Home plate is not subject to the new plate requirements of GS 20-79.3A (requiring 500 applications prior to issuance) and the expiration of special registration plate authorization in GS 20-79.8 (sunsetting the authorization if the applicant fails to submit the required items within 60 days of the authorization becoming law). Effective March 1, 2020.

Makes conforming changes to the act's long title.

Intro. by Iler, Torbett.

GS 20

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

H 536 (2019-2020) [ABC OMNIBUS REGULATORY REFORM](#). Filed Apr 2 2019, *AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LAWS OF THIS STATE*.

House amendment to the 4th edition makes the following changes.

Amends proposed GS 18B-1010, changing the two-drink limit that an on-premises malt beverage, wine, or fortified wine permit holder can sell and deliver to a single patron for consumption on the premises to instead allow for the sale and delivery of (1) two alcoholic drinks at one time if both drinks are a malt beverage, unfortified wine, and/or fortified wine and (2) one alcoholic beverage drink at a time if the drink is a mixed beverage or contains spirituous liquor. Also, more specifically restricts alcoholic beverage drink sales to one per single patron at a time for sales at a stadium, athletic facility, or arena on the campus or property of a public college or university, or during a sports event sponsored by a public college or university (previously, exempted sales at these places/events from the statute).

Intro. by McGrady, Boles, Fisher, Hardister.

STUDY, GS 14, GS 18B, GS 130A

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Alcoholic Beverage Control, Business and Commerce, Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Government, General Assembly, State Agencies, Local Government, Health and Human Services, Health, Public Health, Transportation

H 655 (2019-2020) [NC HEALTH CARE FOR WORKING FAMILIES](#). Filed Apr 9 2019, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE HEALTH COVERAGE TO RESIDENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA UNDER THE NC HEALTH CARE FOR WORKING FAMILIES PROGRAM AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA RURAL ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE GRANT PROGRAM*.

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

Part I.

Amends the sources of funding for the NC Health Care for Working Families program, to provide that the State and county share of costs not covered by federal funds or participant contributions will be funded through intergovernmental transfers,

gross premiums tax revenue, and hospital assessments (was, intergovernmental transfers and health care-related assessments, including but not limited to, hospital assessments).

Requires that if the program approved by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid services fails to substantially comply with the program components (was, fails to comply with any of the program components) required by this act, then the NC Health Care for Working Families program must not be implemented and the Department of Health and Human Services must stop all implementation activities. Provides that if legislation to ensure that the State and county share of costs not covered by federal funds, participant contributions, or increased gross premiums tax revenue (was, federal funds or participant contributions only) will be funded through a new hospital assessment (was, through health care-related assessments) is not enacted, then the NC Health Care for Working Families program must not be implemented and DHHS must continue to seek federal approval for the program but must stop all other implementation activities until the necessary legislation is enacted.

Part II.

Amends proposed GS 108B-31, Rural Access to Healthcare Grant Fund, by adding that an appropriation under the statute is a statutory appropriation. Requires the Director of the Budget, when developing the base budget, to include the following appropriations to the North Carolina Rural Access to Healthcare Grant Fund (Grant Fund): (1) \$25 million for 2020-21, (2) \$30 million for 2021-22, and (3) \$50 million for 2022-23 and every fiscal year thereafter.

Removes the provision that provided that if H114 (an act to subject prepaid health plans licensed by the Department of Insurance to the gross premium tax) became law, then it was the NCGA's intent to appropriate funds to the North Carolina Rural Access to Healthcare Grant Fund in an amount that represents the amount of revenue from the gross premiums tax attributable to capitation payments received by prepaid health plans as a result of the implementation of the NC Health Care for Working Families program.

Provides that the funds appropriated to the Grant Fund are intended to represent a portion of the amount of revenue from the gross premium tax attributable to capitation payments received by prepaid health plans as a result of the implementation of the NC Health Care for Working Families program.

Adds that the act is effective only if H966, 2019 Appropriations Act, becomes law.

Intro. by Lambeth, Murphy, Dobson, White.

GS 108B

Government, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Insurance

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S 302 (2019-2020) UPDATE ACH SVC & CARE PLAN /BD OF NURSING. (NEW) Filed Mar 19 2019, *AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ADULT CARE HOMES TO USE SERVICE PLANS COMPLETED AS THE RESULT OF A MEDICAID PERSONAL CARE SERVICES ASSESSMENT TO FULFILL THE ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING PORTION OF THE REQUIRED SERVICE PLANS OR CARE PLANS FOR ADULT CARE HOME RESIDENTS; TO AMEND ASSISTED LIVING ADMINISTRATOR CERTIFICATION 7 QUALIFICATIONS; AND TO IMPLEMENT NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING TECHNICAL CHANGES AND PROCEDURAL EFFICIENCIES.*

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

Makes organizational changes to place the previous provisions into new Part I.

Adds Part II, providing for the following.

Amends GS 90-171.20 to add *licensee* to the defined terms, defining the term to include persons issued a license by the NC Board of Nursing, including both active and inactive licenses.

Amends GS 90-171.21 by amending the requirements for membership on the Board of Nursing (Board) to require that (1) every registered nurse member hold an active (was, hold a current) unencumbered license to practice as a registered nurse in

the state; (2) every licensed practical nurse member hold an active (was, hold a current) unencumbered license to practice as a licensed practical nurse in the state; and (3) a public member must not be a licensed nurse or licensed health care professional or employed by a health care institution, health care insurer, or a health care professional school (was, a public member appointed by the Governor must not be a provider of health services or employed in the health services field); also prohibits any public member (was, limited to those appointed by the Governor) or person in that member's immediate family from being currently or previously employed as a licensed nurse. Provides that Board members are entitled to compensation for all necessary expenses and caps the per diem compensation of Board members at \$200 per member for time spent in the performance and discharge of duties as a member.

Amends the Board's duties as follows. Adds that it may determine whether an applicant or licensee is mentally and physically capable of practicing nursing with reasonable skill and safety; sets out related actions that the Board may take. Allows the Board to determine and administer appropriate disciplinary action against all regulated parties who violate this Article or rules (was, cause the prosecution of all persons violating this Article). Allows the Board to also withdraw approval for nursing programs. Allows the Board to establish programs for monitoring the treatment, recovery, and safe practice of nurses with substance use disorders, mental health disorders, or physical conditions impacting ability to deliver safe care (was, limited to chemical addiction or abuse or mental or physical disability and programs for monitoring those nurses). Allows the Board to enter into agreements (rather than establish programs) for aiding in the remediation of nurses. Allows the Board to order or subpoena the production of any patient records, documents, or other material concerning any matter to be heard before or inquired into by the Board.

Amends GS 90-171.33 by removing the provisions allowing for the issuance of a nonrenewable temporary license until the implementation of the computer adaptive licensure exam.

Amends GS 90-171.37 by expanding upon the Board's disciplinary authority to give the Board the authority to do the following to a person if the person is found to have done one of the specified actions: (1) implement probation, with or without conditions; (2) impose limitations and conditions; (3) accept voluntary surrender of a license; (4) publicly reprimand; (5) issue public letters of concern; (6) require satisfactory completion of treatment programs or remedial or educational training; or (7) refuse to issue a certificate of renewal, fine, deny, suspend, or revoke a license or privilege to practice nursing in this state. Expands upon actions that trigger disciplinary action. Specifies that the Board retains jurisdiction over an expired, inactive, or voluntarily surrendered license. Provides that the Board, its members, and staff are not liable in any civil or criminal proceeding for exercising the powers and duties authorized by law provided the person was acting in good faith. Makes technical and clarifying changes.

Amends GS 90-171.37A by allowing the Board to take witness testimony by phone or videoconferencing. Makes clarifying changes.

Enacts new GS 90-171.37B allowing a licensee to appeal a Board's public disciplinary action to superior court; sets out the appeal procedure.

Enacts new GS 90-171.37C, which exempts from public record and makes privileged, confidential, and not subject to discovery or subpoena all documents containing information that the Board, its members, or its employees possess, gathered, or received as a result of investigations into a licensing complaint, appeal, assessment, or potential impairment matter. Requires the Board to give the licensee or applicant access to all information in its possession that it intends to offer into evidence at the licensee's or applicant's hearing. Makes any licensee's notice of statement of charges, notice of hearing, and all information contained in those documents public record. Sets out the procedure for when the Board, its employees, or its agents possess information indicating a crime may have been committed. Requires licensees to self-report to the Board any arrest or indictment for the specified levels of offenses. Specifies when confidential information may be released and the requirements for doing so.

Enacts new GS 90-171.37D to set out requirements for the service of notices required by the Nurse Practice Act.

Amends GS 90-171.39, which requires the Board to designate persons to survey proposed nursing programs, to remove the explicit inclusion of clinical facilities.

Amends GS 90-171.40 to require review of nursing programs at least every 10 (was, eight) years. Requires that the Board take appropriate action, including withdrawing approval, instead of requiring that approval be withdrawn when deficiencies are not corrected in a reasonable time. No longer requires that the list of programs and their approval status be published on an annual basis.

Amends GS 90-171.43, concerning licensure of registered nurses or practical nurses by adding that the Board may promulgate rules to enforce the statute. Make additional organizational changes.

Enacts new GS 90-171.49 allowing the Board to waive requirements of the Nurse Practice Act during states of emergency or disasters.

Makes conforming changes to GS 90-171.47. Makes technical changes to the statutory reference in GS 90-171.48.

Applies to licenses granted or renewed, and Board actions taken, on or after October 1, 2019.

Makes conforming changes to the act's titles.

Intro. by Hise, Bishop, Krawiec.

GS 90, GS 131D

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Business and Commerce, Occupational Licensing, Government, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers

S 343 (2019-2020) [VARIOUS EDUCATION LAW CHANGES. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Mar 21 2019, *AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO LAWS RELATED TO EDUCATION.*

House amendment to the 4th edition makes the following changes.

Part IV. Report on School Start and End Dates

Changes the date by which local boards must submit the report on school start and end dates, as required by GS 115C-84.2, as amended, with the information for the 2019-20 school year to the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education, from June 1, 2019, to August 1, 2019. Additionally, changes the date by which the State Board of Education must report the information submitted by the local boards to the specified NCGA committee, from July 1, 2019, to September 1, 2019.

Intro. by Ballard.

GS 115C, GS 115D, GS 116C, GS 116E, GS 126, GS 150B

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Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Higher Education, Government, APA/Rule Making

S 498 (2019-2020) [FACILITATE RESPONSE TO DISASTERS.](#) Filed Apr 2 2019, *AN ACT TO FACILITATE RAPID RESPONSE TO STATE DECLARED DISASTERS BY EXEMPTING CERTAIN BUSINESSES AND EMPLOYEES FROM REGISTRATION AND TAX LAWS DURING THE DISASTER RESPONSE PERIOD.*

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

Makes the following changes to proposed GS 166A-19.70A. Makes a technical change to the lead-in language. Retitles the statute as Facilitate critical infrastructure disaster relief. Amends the statute's purpose to modify the legislative finding by listing the state tax laws and regulatory requirements which nonresident businesses and nonresident employees are exempt from when providing temporary disaster-related work in the state during a disaster response period at the request of a critical infrastructure company. Exemptions include corporate and individual income tax, franchise tax, unemployment tax, workers' compensation, and certificates of authority from the Secretary of State (previously set forth separate subsections for nonresident businesses and employees, and included exemptions from S-corporation income tax and information return requirements). Modifies and adds to the definitions provided. Amends *disaster response period*, now defined to expire on the earlier of 60 days following the expiration of the disaster declaration or 180 days following the disaster declaration's issuance (previously, extended 60 days following the declaration's expiration only). Replaces the term *out-of-state business* with the term *nonresident business*, defining the term to mean an entity that has not been required to file an income or franchise tax

return with the State for three years prior to the disaster response period, other than those arising from the performance of disaster-related work during a tax year prior to the statute's enactment, that is a nonresident entity and/or a nonresident individual who owns an unincorporated business as a sole proprietor. Similarly, replaces the term *out-of-state employee* with *nonresident employee*. Adds the terms *corporation*, *employee*, *nonresident entity*, and *nonresident individual*. Modifies the terms *registered public communications provider* and *registered public utility* to refer to corporations doing business in the state rather than a person registered to conduct business in the state. Further amends *registered public utility* to include corporations subject to the control of the NC Rural Electrification Authority. Now requires a critical infrastructure company to provide notification to the Department of Revenue (Department) within 90 days of the expiration of the disaster response period (previously required notification of the State Emergency Response Team within 30 days of the business's entry into the state). Adds a requirement for a nonresident business to provide notification to the Department within 90 days of the date the nonresident business concludes its disaster-related work. Requires the notifications to be in the form and manner required by the Department Secretary, and details each notification's required content. Establishes that failure to submit a timely notification forfeits the relief provided by the statute for the nonresident business. Makes clarifications to the statute's limitations, specifying that the statute only provides exemptions for nonresident businesses and nonresident employees who would not be subject to state tax and regulatory requirements but for their performance of disaster-related work and only during a disaster response period.

Amends the following statutes to implement the intended exceptions for nonresident businesses and nonresident employees performing requested disaster related work: GS 57D-1-24, GS 96-1, GS 105-114, GS 105-130.1, GS 105-130.5, GS 105-131.7, GS 105-154, GS 105-153.2, GS 105-153.8, GS 105-163.1, GS 105-163.3, and GS 105-163.7. Eliminates the proposed conforming changes to GS 96-9.2, GS 97-13, GS 105-125, GS 105-130.11, GS 105-153.4, and GS 105-163.2.

Deletes proposed GS 55-1-51, which provided exemptions from certificate of authority requirements for certain disaster relief activities (critical infrastructure work and motor fuel transport) and instead enacts GS 55-15-01(e), providing for substantively identical exemptions.

Makes conforming modifications to the proposed changes to GS 105-130.5, now adding to the required additions to federal taxable income in determining state net income payments made to an affiliate or subsidiary not subject to tax in accordance with the policy in new GS 166A-19.70A, to the extent the payments are deducted in determining federal taxable income.

Adds to GS 105-163.3, establishing that businesses are exempt from state withholding requirements for wages paid to nonresident employees or compensation paid to a nonresident ITIN contractor when derived from disaster-related work performed during a disaster response period at the request of a critical infrastructure company.

Further amends GS 105-131.7, GS 105-154, and GS 105-163.7 to require nonresident entities and employers exempt under the policy in new GS 166A-19.70A to provide information to their shareholders, partners, and employees, as applicable, even though they are not required to file a return with the Department, so that the shareholders, partners, and employees may properly file a state income tax return.

Maintains proposed GS 105-449.69A, allowing the issuance of a temporary license to import, export, distribute, or transport motor fuel in the state in response to a disaster declaration. Makes a technical change.

Changes the effective date of the act, now applicable to disaster declarations on or after the date the act becomes law (was, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2019).

Intro. by B. Jackson, Blue, Newton.

[GS 55](#), [GS 57D](#), [GS 96](#), [GS 105](#), [GS 166A](#)

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[Business and Commerce](#), [Government](#), [Public Safety and Emergency Management](#), [Tax](#), [Public Enterprises and Utilities](#)

S 682 (2019-2020) [IMPLEMENT CRIME VICTIM RIGHTS AMENDMENT](#). Filed Jun 27 2019, *AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE BETTER PROTECTIONS AND SAFEGUARDS TO VICTIMS OF CRIME*.

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

Part I.

Amendment #1 amends the definition of court proceeding under GS 15A-830, applicable to the Crime Victims' Rights Act, by removing the inclusion of appellate hearings.

Part II.

Amendment #1 amends proposed new GS 7B-2053 concerning the information that can be provided to the victim following completion of the dispositional hearing, to include whether or not the juvenile was adjudicated delinquent, and if so, the offense classification, the dispositions available to the court under GS 7B-2508, and the dispositional alternative available to the court under GS 7B-2508 (was, the class of the offense and the level, description, and duration of disposition ordered).

Part III.

Amendment #2 adds a requirement that the Administrative Office of the Courts, in consultation with the Conference of District Attorneys, develop procedures to automate the criminal court notification required by this act.

Intro. by Daniel, J. Davis, Britt.

[GS 7B, GS 15A](#)

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

S 683 (2019-2020) [COMBAT ABSENTEE BALLOT FRAUD](#). Filed Jun 28 2019, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS GOVERNING MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND TO RESTORE THE LAST SATURDAY OF EARLY ONE-STOP VOTING*.

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

Amendment #1 provides the following.

Further amends GS 163A-1313 to require county boards of elections to create a list of applications made for absentee ballots received by the county board. Requires county boards to update the list daily from the date the county board begins to mail application and ballots through the date of canvass. Deems the list public record. Makes technical changes.

Maintains the requirement set forth in GS 163A-1308 for a qualified voter eligible to vote by absentee ballot, or that voter's near relative or verifiable legal guardian to complete a request form for an absentee ballot application and absentee ballots, with receipt by the county board required no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before the election (previously, required a written, signed request rather than a completed request form). Maintains current law set forth in GS 163A-1309, establishing that a completed written request form for absentee ballots is only valid on a form created by the State Board of Elections (State Board) and signed by the requesting voter or the voter's near relative or verifiable legal guardian. Now restricts availability of the form to the State Board's offices and county board of elections offices (no longer allowing the State Board to make the form available online or allowing county boards to reproduce the form). Maintains current law which allows for a voter to request a State Board-created form to request absentee ballots either in person or by writing to the county board. Adds to the information the request form must contain: (1) a clear indicator of the calendar year in which the election(s) generating the request are to be held; (2) the name of any individual or group that assisted with the voter obtaining or completing the written request form; and (3) a unique identifier, applicable only to the voter completing that written request form. Restricts delivery of the completed request form to the county board by the voter or that voter's near relative or verifiable legal guardian only (similar to the restrictions previously provided for completed requests), and makes a request not delivered by those authorized persons invalid. Modifies the minimum criteria for the State Board's implementing rules concerning forms of identification that must be included with completed written requests for absentee ballots to include (1) acceptable photocopies of forms of readable identification as described by state law (was, acceptable forms of readable identification substantially similar to those required under state law) and (2) a process for a voter without acceptable photocopies of forms of readable identification to complete an alternative affidavit that includes inability to attach a physical copy of the voter's ID with the written request as a reasonable impediment to compliance with the requirement (was, including lack of access to a method to attach an electronic or physical copy; maintains elimination of option to return required ID forms with the absentee ballot container return envelope). Makes further changes to eliminate reference to the proposed replacement of the form with written requests. Makes clarifying changes by adding descriptors to the statute's subsections.

Makes new GS 163A-1309(a)(9), which requires the State Board's absentee ballot request form to include a unique identifier for voters, effective January 1, 2019, and applicable to requests for absentee ballots on or after that date.

Eliminates the requirement for the State Board to prepare and disseminate a voter instruction sheet regarding the process to request a mail-in absentee ballot by December 1, 2019. Instead, requires the State Board to report to the specified NCGA committee and the legislature by May 1, 2020, as to its plans to implement the unique identifier requirement on request forms, set forth in GS 163A-1309(a)(9), as amended, and any necessary statutory changes.

Amendment #2 amends GS 163A-1307, concerning the requirements for container-return envelopes for absentee ballots, to require the State Board to prohibit the display of the voter's party affiliation on the outside of the container-return envelope.

Amendment #3 amends the proposed changes to GS 163A-1317, increasing from a Class 2 misdemeanor to a Class 1 misdemeanor the new offenses of selling or attempting to sell completed written requests for absentee ballots, and compensating or accepting compensation based on the number of returned written requests for absentee ballots. Creates another new offense, making it a Class G felony to steal, release, or possess the official register of absentee requests for mail-in absentee ballots prior to the opening of the voting place for a purpose other than the conduct of business at the county board of elections.

Amendment #4 eliminates the proposed changes to GS 163A-1303 concerning uniform hours at one-stop sites, and instead amends the statute to change the weekday hours for one-stop sites from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., to 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Intro. by Daniel, McKissick, Hise.

[GS 163A](#)

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[Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Government, Elections, State Agencies, State Board of Elections, Local Government](#)

S 686 (2019-2020) [APPOINTMENTS BILL 2019](#). Filed Jul 9 2019, *AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE.*

Includes whereas clauses.

Part I appoints the specified persons to the following boards and commissions upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore, effective on the specified date, with terms expiring as provided: the 911 Board; the Acupuncture Licensing Board; the African-American Heritage Commission; the Board of Trustee of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System; the Centennial Authority; the Commission for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services; the Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission; the Disciplinary Hearing Commission of the NC State Bar; the Domestic Violence Commission; the Economic Investment Committee; the Governor's Crime Commission; the Justus-Warren Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Task Force; the License to Give Trust Fund Commission; the NC Agricultural Finance Authority; the NC Board of Science, Technology, and Innovation; the NC Brain Injury Advisory Council; the NC Child Care Commission; the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund; the NC Coastal Resources Commission; the NC Code Officials Qualifications Board; the NC Education and Workforce Innovation Commission; the NC Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council; the NC Environmental Management Commission; the NC Global TransPark Authority, Board of Directors; the NC Home Inspector Licensure Board; the NC Housing Finance Agency Board of Directors; the NC Institute of Medicine, Board of Directors; the NC Locksmith Licensing Board; the NC Irrigation Contractors' Licensing Board; the NC Manufactured Housing Board; the NC Marine Industrial Park; the NC Oil and Gas Commission; the NC On-Site Wastewater Contractors and Inspectors Certification Board; the NC Parks and Recreation Authority; the NC Housing Partnership; the NC Charter School Advisory Board; the NC Partnership for Children, Inc., Board of Directors; the NC Principal Fellows Commission; the NC Professional Educator Preparation and Standards Commission; the NC Railroad Board of Directors; the NC Recreational Therapy Licensure Board; the NC State Building Commission; the NC State Commission of Indian Affairs; the NC State Ports Authority; the NC Teaching Fellows Commission; the NC Wildlife Resources Commission; the Permanency Innovation Initiative Oversight Committee; the Public Officers and Employees Liability Insurance Commission; the Rules Review Commission; the Rural Infrastructure Authority; the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners; the State Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners; the State Fire and Rescue Commission; the State Property Tax Commission; the Private Protective Services Board; the NC Respiratory Care Board; and the UNC Center for Public Television Board of Trustees.

Reserves Part II.

Part III provides that appointments begin on the date the act becomes law, unless otherwise provided.

Intro. by Rabon.

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Government, State Agencies, UNC System

LOCAL/HOUSE BILLS

H 80 (2019-2020) [ROANOKE RAPIDS LAKE/UNATTENDED EQUIP. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Feb 13 2019, *AN ACT TO REGULATE UNATTENDED EQUIPMENT USED FOR WATERFOWL HUNTING ON ROANOKE RAPIDS LAKE IN NORTHAMPTON AND HALIFAX COUNTIES.*

AN ACT TO REGULATE UNATTENDED EQUIPMENT USED FOR WATERFOWL HUNTING ON ROANOKE RAPIDS LAKE IN NORTHAMPTON AND HALIFAX COUNTIES. SL 2019-98. Enacted July 9, 2019. Effective October 1, 2019.

Intro. by Wray.

[Halifax, Northampton](#)

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Animals

H 237 (2019-2020) [BRUNSWICK COUNTY ZONING PROCEDURE CHANGES.](#) Filed Feb 27 2019, *AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR PLANNING BOARDS TO HOLD HEARINGS AND MAKE FINAL DECISIONS FOR ZONING AMENDMENT REQUESTS IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY.*

AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR PLANNING BOARDS TO HOLD HEARINGS AND MAKE FINAL DECISIONS FOR ZONING AMENDMENT REQUESTS IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY. SL 2019-99. Enacted July 9, 2019. Effective July 9, 2019.

Intro. by Butler, Iler.

[Brunswick](#)

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Development, Land Use and Housing, Land Use, Planning and Zoning

H 239 (2019-2020) [PITT COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL RECORDS.](#) Filed Feb 28 2019, *AN ACT RELATING TO THE RELEASE OF ANIMAL SERVICES RECORDS IN PITT AND BURKE COUNTIES.*

Senate amendment makes the following changes to the 2nd edition. Amends SL 2018-105 to also make it applicable to Burke County. SL 2018-105 excludes from public records personally identifiable information held by the county animal services agency related to an individual who has voluntarily surrendered ownership of an animal to an animal shelter or an individual who has adopted or is fostering a shelter animal. Makes the name of the animal rescue organization with which the county animal control service places an animal a public record. Allows for the disclosure or nondisclosure of information that is not a public record at the county's discretion. Makes conforming changes to the act's long title.

Intro. by K. Smith, Humphrey.

[Burke, Pitt](#)

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Animals

H 368 (2019-2020) [BERMUDA RUN/SPEED RESTRICTIONS](#). Filed Mar 14 2019, *AN ACT TO IMPOSE A 25 MILE PER HOUR SPEED RESTRICTION ON PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS IN THE TOWN OF BERMUDA RUN*.

AN ACT TO IMPOSE A 25 MILE PER HOUR SPEED RESTRICTION ON PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS IN THE TOWN OF BERMUDA RUN. SL 2019-100. Enacted July 9, 2019. Effective December 1, 2019.

Intro. by Howard.

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ACTIONS ON BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS

H 18: [ALLOW ABSENTEE BALLOTS/FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION.](#)

House: Ratified

H 50: [ALLOW HYPERBARIC OXYGEN THERAPY FOR TBI/PTSD.](#)

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 106: [INMATE HEALTH CARE & 340B PROGRAM. \(NEW\)](#)

House: Ratified

H 107: [PED OVERSIGHT/EPP CHANGES.](#)

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

H 108: [PED/SAFEKEEPER HEALTH CARE COST RECOV. PRACT.](#)

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 126: [AMEND CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS. \(NEW\)](#)

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 138: [DAMAGE JAIL & PRISON FIRE SPRINKLER/PENALTY.](#)

House: Ratified

H 156: [SWAIN COUNTY SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND. \(NEW\)](#)

House: Ratified

H 198: [HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS.-AB](#)

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 206: DOT LEGISLATIVE CHANGES.-AB

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

House: Cal Pursuant 36(b)

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 211: VARIOUS DMV CHANGES.-AB

House: Conf Com Appointed

H 220: INSURANCE TECHNICAL CHANGES.-AB

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

H 226: 2019 AOC LEGISLATIVE CHANGES.-AB

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 228: MODERNIZE LAWS PERTAINING TO NC MEDICAL BOARD.-AB

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

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

H 235: Utilities Comm'n Tech. and Add'l Changes.-AB (NEW).

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 243: STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT AMENDMENTS.-AB

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 264: GSC TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS 2019.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 268: AMEND ON-SITE WASTEWATER LAWS/MISC. TC. (NEW)

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

House: Cal Pursuant 36(b)

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 283: CONNER'S LAW.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 323: ASSESS COSTS OF LOCAL LEO CRIME LAB ANALYSIS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 325: OPIOID EPIDEMIC RESPONSE ACT. (NEW)

House: Withdrawn From Cal

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 362: 15-POINT SCALE FOR SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADES.

Senate: Amend Tabled A1

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

H 402: UNC CAPITAL PROJECTS.

House: Pres. To Gov. 7/9/2019

H 411: MODIFY SCHOOL QUAL./STUDENT SUCCESS INDICATOR.

House: Concurred In S Com Sub

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 449: SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES.

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

H 469: VARIOUS FAMILY LAW CHANGES. (NEW)

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 492: SIMPLIFY BUILDER INVENTORY EXCLUSION.

House: Pres. To Gov. 7/9/2019

H 495: NO MUNICIPAL REG/OFF-SITE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS. (NEW)

House: Ratified

H 511: NORTH CAROLINA FIRST STEP ACT. (NEW)

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

H 536: ABC OMNIBUS REGULATORY REFORM.

House: Amend Failed A1

House: Amend Adopted A2

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Engrossed

H 546: PROHIBIT COUNTERFEIT/NONFUNCTIONAL AIRBAGS.

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

H 575: ESTABLISH BIRTH CENTER LICENSURE ACT.

House: Withdrawn From Cal

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 590: AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE LAWS.

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

H 620: STREET DATABASE/MANUAL/PUBLIC RECORD EXCEPT. (NEW)

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

House: Cal Pursuant 36(b)

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 628: 2019 BANKING & MORTGAGE CORRECTIONS & CHANGES.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 629: LAW-ENFORCEMENT MUTUAL AID.

House: Ratified

H 630: PROTECTIVE SERVICES/ALARM SYSTEMS LAW CHANGES. (NEW)

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 633: STRENGTHEN CRIMINAL GANG LAWS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 635: PURCHASE & CONTRACTS BENCHMARKS/PROPERTY.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 645: REVISIONS TO OUTDOOR ADVERTISING LAWS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 655: NC HEALTH CARE FOR WORKING FAMILIES.

House: Serial Referral To Insurance Stricken

House: Serial Referral To Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House Stricken

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

House: Added to Calendar

H 668: VARIOUS HIGHER EDUCATION CHANGES.

House: Concurred In S Com Sub

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 675: 2019 BUILDING CODE REGULATORY REFORM.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 724: TRUTH IN CALLER ID ACT.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 735: ADOPT RULES INCORPORATING 2017 FOOD CODE.

House: Ratified

H 755: TRAVEL INSURANCE AMENDMENTS.

House: Ratified

H 757: PENDER COUNTY/BUTNER PROPERTY TRANSFERS. (NEW)

House: Concurred In S Com Sub

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 758: MSD EXPANSION AND GOVERNANCE/DACS STUDY. (NEW)

House: Ratified

H 760: EXPAND LOSS PREVENTION INVESTIGATIONS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 761: CLARIFY WASTEWATER PERMITTING LIABILITY.

House: Ratified

H 777: VARIOUS RETIREMENT CHNGS/WASTEWATER REFORM. (NEW)

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

House: Ruled Material

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 872: UNDERGROUND UTILITY SAFETY ACT/CHANGES.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 880: LANDLORD/TENANT CHANGES.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 922: ENHANCE INSURANCE COVERAGE/EDUC. BUILDINGS. (NEW)

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

House: Cal Pursuant 36(b)

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

H 1019: CONFIRM FLOYD MCKISSICK/UTILITIES COMMISSION.

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

S 29: MOVE OVER LAW/INCREASE PENALTIES/AMBER LIGHTS. (NEW)

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received For Concurrence in H Com Sub

S 154: AUTHORIZE SPORTS/HORSE RACE WAGERING TRIBAL LANDS. (NEW)

House: Reptd Fav

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

S 210: ORGAN & TISSUE DONATION/HEART HEROES.

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

S 212: NC FAST/EARLY CHILD/TRANSFORMATION/ACH ACCESS. (NEW)

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

S 218: CLARIFY STATE RECOGNITION - LUMBEE INDIANS.

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

S 297: CANCER RESEARCH ADVISORY PANEL.

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

S 302: UPDATE ACH SVC & CARE PLAN /BD OF NURSING. (NEW)

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

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

S 316: AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

S 343: VARIOUS EDUCATION LAW CHANGES. (NEW)

House: Amend Adopted A1

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Engrossed

S 352: AMEND NC CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Re-ref Com On Judiciary

S 354: SAM'S LAW. (NEW)

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

S 384: CLARIFY MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LAWS.

Senate: Pres. To Gov. 7/9/2019

S 391: EXPAND YOUTH INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES.

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

S 420: NC SERVICEMEMBERS CIVIL RELIEF ACT.

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

S 423: NORTH CAROLINA ANIMAL ABUSER REGISTRY ACT.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 444: ALLOW USE OF OYSTER SHELLS AS SERVING DISHES.

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

S 462: MODIFICATIONS TO NC APPRAISAL BOARD.

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

S 478: MODIFY APPOINTMENT REPORTING. (NEW)

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

S 493: DVPO ABUSER TREATMENT/TIME OF EXPIRATION. (NEW)

House: Withdrawn From Cal

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

S 498: FACILITATE RESPONSE TO DISASTERS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Re-ref to Finance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

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

S 508: CIVIL PROCEDURE/DEPONENT DECLARATION.

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

S 523: REV. LAWS CLARIFYING & ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES.

House: Passed 2nd Reading

S 535: CONSERVATION CORPS CLARIFICATION.

Senate: Ratified

S 553: REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2019.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received For Concurrence in H Com Sub

S 559: STORM SECURITIZATION/ALT. RATES.

House: Withdrawn From Cal

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

S 604: AMEND NC VETERINARY PRACTICE ACT.

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

S 621: TESTING REDUCTION ACT OF 2019.

House: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019

S 681: RURAL HEALTH CARE STABILIZATION ACT.

House: Withdrawn From Com

House: Re-ref to the Com on Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

S 682: IMPLEMENT CRIME VICTIM RIGHTS AMENDMENT.

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Amend Adopted A2

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received From Senate

S 683: COMBAT ABSENTEE BALLOT FRAUD.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal
Senate: Placed On Cal For 07/10/2019
Senate: Amend Adopted A1
Senate: Amend Adopted A2
Senate: Amend Adopted A3
Senate: Amend Adopted A4
Senate: Amend Tabled A5
Senate: Passed 3rd Reading
Senate: Engrossed
Senate: Special Message Sent To House
House: Special Message Received From Senate

S 686: APPOINTMENTS BILL 2019.

Senate: Filed

LOCAL BILLS

H 80: ROANOKE RAPIDS LAKE/UNATTENED EQUIP. (NEW)

House: Ratified

H 98: MACON/CLAY/NO RIGHT-OF-WAY SPOTLIGHTING.

House: Concurred In S Amend SA1

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 134: FILLING VACANCY/ONslow COUNTY BOARD OF COMM.

House: Concurred In S Amend SA1

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 170: VARIOUS SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS. (NEW)

House: Concurred On 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 187: AMEND TOWN OF ELON CHARTER/PARKING ORDINANCES.

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

H 237: BRUNSWICK COUNTY ZONING PROCEDURE CHANGES.

House: Ratified

H 239: PITT COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL RECORDS.

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Amend

H 285: CITY OF SANFORD/TOWN OF BEAUFORT VOL ANNEX. (NEW)

House: Concurred On 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 324: CLEVELAND/CALDWELL COUNTIES HUNTING OMNIBUS. (NEW)

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Special Message Sent To House

House: Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

H 368: BERMUDA RUN/SPEED RESTRICTIONS.

House: Ratified

H 429: NAVIGABLE WATERS/MANTEO/HYDE (NEW)

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

S 186: BEAUFORT-MOREHEAD CTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY/AMEND.

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

S 194: WEST JEFFERSON/SALUDA SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS. (NEW)

House: Passed 2nd Reading

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