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PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 1095 (2021) **PFAS POLLUTION AND POLLUTER LIABILITY**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA FROM DRINKING WATER CONTAMINATED BY GENX AND OTHER PFAS COMPOUNDS*.

Part I.

Enacts GS 130A-315.1, authorizing the Environmental Management Commission (EMC) to adopt a maximum contamination level that is acceptable for human consumption for one or more per- polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) compounds. Makes the level adopted enforceable by the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) (Secretary). Sets parameters for the level adopted by EMC, including that the level be technologically and economically feasible, as those terms are described. Authorizes DEQ to consult with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to recommend a maximum contaminate level goal based on an estimate of the contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to human health, if any. Sets parameters for the maximum level recommended by DEQ, including minimum concentrations specified, and required reference doses and health constants, as described.

Specifies specific standards and procedures adopted by DEQ are exempt from the procedures of the Administrative Procedure Act, and this exemption extends to DEQ's development of minimum contaminant levels and PFAS under new GS 130A-315.1.

Part II.

Enacts GS 130A-19.1, granting authority for the Secretary to order a responsible party of a concentration of PFAS in public water system that exceeds a permissible concentration level (defined based on individual or combines PFAS compounds), to pay the public water system any actual or necessary costs incurred to remove, correct, or abate any adverse effects upon the water supply, including procurement and operation of technology to reduce the concentrations in finished drinking water. Allows for the Secretary to bring an action to enforce the order against a responsible party who fails to pay, with the action required to be calendared within 60 days of service. Provides for joint and several liability of a responsible party. Requires a public water system to reimburse ratepayers through rate reduction if the system paid for the abatement with funds charged to ratepayers and was subsequently reimbursed by the responsible party. Includes defined terms.

Applies retroactively to discharges from responsible parties occurring on or after January 1, 2017.

Part III.

Appropriates \$2 million from the General Fund to DEQ for 2022-23 to implement the act. Establishes and requires the funds to be deposited into the PFAS Public Water Protection Fund. Authorizes DEQ to establish time-limited positions with the funds.

Appropriates \$2 million from the General Fund to the UNC Board of Governors to be allocated to the NC Collaboratory to conduct research and analysis to provide scientific and economic support for maximum contaminant levels of PFAS established by DEQ, upon the Secretary's request. Requires DEQ and the Collaboratory to develop a work plan for the Collaboratory's support.

Directs DEQ and the Collaboratory to jointly annually report to the specified NCGA committee, with content specified.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Davis, Iler, Miller, Reives.

APPROP, GS 130A

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Environment, Environment/Natural Resources, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Environmental Quality (formerly DENR), Health and Human

**Services, Health, Public Health, Public Enterprises and
Utilities**

H 1098 (2021) **DISAPPROVE 18E RULES**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE CERTAIN 18E WASTEWATER TREATMENT AND DISPERSAL RULES ADOPTED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH.*

Disapproves the following rules which were adopted by the North Carolina Commission for Public Health on August 4, 2021, and approved by the Rules Review Commission on September 16, 2021:

- 15A NCAC 18E .0401 (Design Daily Flow)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0402 (Septic Tank Effluent Characteristics)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0403 (Adjustments to Design Daily Flow)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0509 (Site Suitability and Classification)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0510 (Special Site Evaluations)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0601 (Location of Wastewater Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0602 (Applicability of Setbacks)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0802 (Pump Tank Capacity Requirements)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0803 (Grease Tank Capacity Requirements)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0805 (Tank Leak Testing and Installation Requirements)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0905 (Prefabricated Permeable Block Panel Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .0908 (Drip Dispersal Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1002 (Reclaimed Water Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1101 (General Dosing System Requirements)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1102 (Pump Dosing)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1201 (Advanced Pretreatment System Standards)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1202 (Siting and Sizing Criteria for Advanced Pretreatment Systems with a Design Daily Flow Less Than or Equal to 1,500 Gallons/Day)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1203 (Siting and Sizing Criteria for Advanced Pretreatment Systems with a Design Daily Flow Greater Than 1,500 Gallons/Day and Less Than or Equal to 3,000 Gallons/Day)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1204 (Advanced Pretreatment Drip Dispersal Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1205 (Advanced Pretreatment Sand Lined Trench Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1206 (Advanced Pretreatment Bed Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1304 (Management Entity Responsibilities for Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1305 (Local Health Department Responsibilities for Wastewater System Operation and Maintenance)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1306 (System Malfunction and Repair)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1501 (General)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1502 (Application)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1504 (Sampling Requirements for Residential Wastewater Treatment)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1505 (Residential Wastewater Treatment System Approval Renewal)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1602 (Design and Construction Standards)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1701 (General)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1702 (Application)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1703 (Department and Commission Application Review)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1704 (Approval Criteria for Provisional Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1705 (Approval Criteria for Innovative Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1706 (Approval Criteria for Accepted Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1707 (Design and Installation Criteria for Provisional, Innovative, and Accepted Approvals)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1709 (Wastewater Sampling Requirements for Advanced Pretreatment Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1710 (Compliance Criteria for Advanced Pretreatment Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1711 (Provisional and Innovative Approval Renewal)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1712 (Authorized Designers, Installers, and Management Entities)

Disapproves the following rules adopted by the North Carolina Commission for Public Health on August 4, 2021:

- 15A NCAC 18E .0508 (Available Space)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1301 (Operation and Maintenance of Wastewater Systems)
- 15A NCAC 18E .1708 (Modification, Suspension, and Revocation of Approvals)

Specifies that 15A NCAC 18A .1934 through .1971 remain in effect until new rules adopted by the Commission for Public Health to replace them become effective. Exempts 15A NCAC 18A .1934 through .1971 from the periodic review and expiration of existing rules process required under GS 150B-21.3A.

Intro. by Brody.

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Health and Human Services, Health, Public Health

H 1099 (2021) [JUDICIAL RETIREMENT/SURVIVOR BENEFITS PARITY.-AB](#) Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SURVIVOR'S ALTERNATE BENEFIT UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM THAT IS ON PAR WITH THE SURVIVOR'S ALTERNATE BENEFIT PROVIDED UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.*

Amends GS 135-63, limiting the existing provisions established for payment of benefits upon the death prior to retirement of a member of the Consolidated Judicial System in subsection (a) to the death of a member in service who earned the first month of membership service prior to July 1, 2023, and had not withdrawn contributions for such service in the System.

Enacts the following new provisions, applicable upon the death of a member or former member who earned the first month of membership service credit on or after July 1, 2023, or forfeited all creditable service in the System earned prior to July 1, 2023, by receiving a return of contributions. Provides for living designated persons, otherwise the member's legal representatives, to be paid the member's accumulated contributions at the time of the member's death. Allows for the beneficiary to elect to receive a reduced retirement allowance under the provisions of Option 2 prescribed for beneficiaries of members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System (TSERS) set out in GS 135-5(g), with the assumption that the allowance is computed as if the member retired on the first day of the month following the date of the member's death. Sets four qualifying criteria for such election, including that the member had attained such age or creditable service to be eligible to commence retirement with an early or service retirement allowance, or attained 16 years of creditable service, in which case the retirement allowance must be computed in accordance with subsection (b) of GS 135-58; (2) at the time of the member's death, only one beneficiary was eligible to receive a return of accumulated contributions under this provision; (3) the member had not instructed the Board of Trustees, in writing, that the member did not wish for the provisions to apply; and (4) the member had not begun receiving a retirement allowance as provided for the System under Article 4. Sets parameters applicable to the enacted alternate survivor benefit, including that a member is considered to be in service on the date of death if the death occurs within 180 days from the last date of actual service, as defined; and any terminal payments made after the member's date of death that meet the definition of compensation must be credited to the month prior to the member's month of death, excluding salary for wages paid for work performed during the month of the member's death. Provides for payment of the retirement allowances to a living contingent beneficiary designated by the member, or the principal beneficiary's legal representative in one lump sum if the contingent beneficiary is not living at the time the payment becomes payable, upon death of the primary beneficiary prior to total payment of the member's total contributions at the date of the member's death. Provides for payment of the remaining contributions to the contingent beneficiary's legal representative in lump sum upon death of the contingent beneficiary who dies before the total accumulated contributions are paid. Provides for benefits that become payable for a member that does not have a designated beneficiary to be paid to the retired member's legal representative.

Additionally, provides for a \$50,000 death benefit for a designated beneficiary of a member, or the member's legal representative, upon the death of a member in service who earned the first month of membership service credit on or after July 1, 2023, or forfeited all creditable service in the System earned prior to July 1, 2023, by receiving a return of contributions and had completed at least one full calendar year of membership in the System. Similarly provides that a member is considered to be in service on the date of death if the death occurs within 180 days from the last date of actual service, as defined.

Amends GS 135-64, which provides for a death benefit for retired members, to limit the application of the existing provisions to described former members who earned the first month of membership service credit prior to July 1, 2023, and had not withdrawn contributions for such membership service in the Retirement System. Adds the following new provisions. For a

retired member who earned the first month of membership service credit on or after July 1, 2023, or forfeited all creditable service in the System earned prior to July 1, 2023, by receiving a return of contributions, dies while that retired member was in receipt of a retirement allowance under Article 4, allows for payment of a death benefit to living designated beneficiaries, otherwise to the member's legal representatives, equal to the excess of the accumulated contributions of the retiree at the date of retirement over the total of the allowances paid to prior to the death of the member. Additionally provides for designating beneficiaries of a retirement allowance payable to a designated survivor of the retired member under GS 135-61, or otherwise the retiree's legal representative, which would otherwise terminate upon death of the survivor before the total of the allowances paid to the member and survivor equaled the total accumulated contributions of the member at retirement.

Details designation and proof of death requirements for enacted provisions.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by C. Smith, McNeill.

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Courts/Judiciary, Court System, Employment and Retirement, Government, State Agencies, Department of State Treasurer

H 1101 (2021) [PDT PILOT PROGRAM FOR OPIOID USE DISORDER](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF PRESCRIPTION DIGITAL THERAPEUTICS AUTHORIZED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION FOR THE TREATMENT OF OPIOID USE DISORDER; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.*

Sets out legislative intent. Requires the State Controller to transfer \$1,850,000 for 2022-23 from funds in the Opioid Abatement Reserve to the Opioid Abatement Fund and appropriates those funds to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services (Division) to develop and administer a two-year pilot program to gauge the effectiveness of prescription digital therapeutics (PDTs) authorized by the FDA to treat opioid use disorder. Specifies that the funds remain available to expend until the sooner of December 1, 2024, or the termination of the program.

Requires the program to commence by December 1, 2022, and terminate by December 1, 2024. Requires the Division to determine the number of sites at which the program will be conducted; eligibility requirements for participants; and the types of PDTs that will be prescribed and evaluated. Allows the Division to use up to \$150,000 of these funds for administrative purposes.

Requires the Division to submit a report within six months of terminating the program to the specified NCGA committee on the program's impacts, including ten specified items.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by K. Baker, Warren, Blackwell, Miller.

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

H 1102 (2021) [NEW ECU CENTER FOR TELEMEDICINE](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY TO ESTABLISH THE CENTER FOR TELEMEDICINE AND DIGITAL HEALTHCARE ACCESS AND TO EXPAND THE STATEWIDE TELEPSYCHIATRY PROGRAM.*

Identical to [S 875](#), filed 5/26/22.

Appropriates \$2 million for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the UNC Board of Governors to establish the Center for Telemedicine and Digital Healthcare Access (Center) at East Carolina University (ECU) to deliver patient care and service to unserved and underserved areas, offer education and training for healthcare providers, and enhance research capacity in areas such as clinical outcomes, social determinants of health, implementation, science and technology innovation. Specifies that the funds must be used for four specified purposes, including personnel costs, purchase of space and technology, school telehealth clinics, and administrative costs.

Appropriates \$1 million for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Central Management and Support, Office of Rural Health, to be allocated to the ECU Center for Telepsychiatry and e-Behavioral Health for the statewide telepsychiatry program known as NC-STeP, to expand access to telepsychiatry services through NC-STeP for students and employees at up to four additional UNC constituent institutions.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Pickett, Farkas, Humphrey, Hawkins.

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[Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, UNC System, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers](#)

H 1106 (2021) [GREENSBORO SCHOOL SUSPENSION SUPPORT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO FUND THE NEW LIGHT INTERGENERATIONAL OUTREACH SCHOOL SUSPENSION PROGRAM IN GUILFORD COUNTY*.

Appropriates \$500,000 for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to be allocated as a directed grant to the New Light Intergenerational Outreach Resource & Enrichment Center to expand access to its school suspension program that supervises students who have been suspended from public schools in Guilford County. Requires the organization, in consultation with DPI, to report by April 15, 2023, to the specified NCGA committee on the program, including staffing and facility expenses, number of participating students, the public school unit in which the students are enrolled, and the impacts of the program on student performance. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Hardister, Quick.

[APPROP, Guilford](#)

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[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Government, Budget/Appropriations](#)

H 1107 (2021) [LOCAL CONFINEMENT TECH MODERNIZATION FUND](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO CREATE THE LOCAL CONFINEMENT TECHNOLOGY MODERNIZATION FUND AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS*.

Enacts new Article 25, Local Confinement Technology Modernization Fund (Fund), in GS Chapter 153A, providing as follows. Creates the Fund to assist county governments in modernization of local confinement facilities to improve methods and detainee monitoring inside each facility. Defines local confinement facilities as a county or city jail, a local lockup, a regional or district jail, a juvenile detention facility, a detention facility for adults operated by a local government, and any other facility operated by a local government for confinement of persons awaiting trial or serving sentences, except excludes a county satellite jail/work release unit governed by Part 3 of Article 10 of GS Chapter 153A. Requires the Fund to be administered by the Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice (Division).

Requires the Division to award grants from the Fund to counties to assist with technology needs according to the following priorities: (1) counties with greater need and less ability to generate sale tax and property tax revenue; (2) counties with a high debt-to-tax revenue ratio; and (3) the extent to which a project will address critical technology deficiencies in local confinement facilities. Requires counties to use the funds for one or more of the five specified technological systems, including mobile detainee tracking, electronic jail management systems, and security camera systems with enhanced features,

including facial recognition software. Requires funding recipients to enter into an agreement with the Division detailing the use of the funds.

Defines an eligible county as one with an adjusted market value of taxable real property of less than \$40 billion; sets out the formula for calculating adjusted market value of taxable property. Requires grant recipients to provide matching funds and sets out provisions detailing the amount of the local match which varies depending on the adjusted market value of taxable real property. Prohibits using grant funds to retire indebtedness or for product leases. Requires grant funds to be disbursed in a series of payments based on the progress of the project.

Appropriates \$50 million from the General Fund to the Local Confinement Technology Modernization Fund to be used in accordance with the new Article.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Pickett, Greene.

[APPROP, GS 153A](#)

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[Government, Budget/Appropriations, Public Safety and
Emergency Management, State Agencies, Department of
Public Safety](#)

H 1108 (2021) [ALLOW ABC PERMITS FOR BARS](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO ALLOW BARS TO OBTAIN ON-PREMISES ABC PERMITS*.

Amends GS 18B-1001 to allow bars to obtain an on-premises malt beverage permit, on-premises unfortified wine permit, on-premises fortified wine permit, brown-bagging permit, special occasion permit, and mixed beverages permit.

Defines *bar* under GS 18B-1000 as an establishment substantially engaged in the business of serving alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises. Requires that in order to qualify as a bar that the establishment's gross receipts from alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises be no less than 75% of the establishment's total gross receipts. Makes a technical correction.

Authorizes the ABC Commission to adopt temporary implementing rules.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Moffitt, Hardister, Bradford, Turner.

[GS 18B](#)

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[Alcoholic Beverage Control, Business and Commerce](#)

H 1109 (2021) [NUCLEAR EVACUATION ROUTE DETERMINATION ACT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO DEVELOP EVACUATION ROUTES AND PLANS FOR COMMUNITIES AND ROADS SURROUNDING FIXED NUCLEAR FACILITIES AND WITHIN PLUME EXPOSURE PATHWAY EMERGENCY PLANNING ZONES AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT*.

Enacts GS 166A-19.15(h), mandating counties to develop and maintain an evacuation route and plan for areas surrounding incorporated municipalities or unincorporated communities located within five miles of a fixed nuclear facility or which has a Plume Exposure Pathway Emergency Planning Zone, including routes for all public and private roads within that described area. Requires plans to be updated every three years. Requires cooperation with the Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management (Division) in developing local plans. Effective October 1, 2022.

Appropriates \$100,000 from the General Fund to the Division for 2022-23 to be used as grants to counties to assist in developing evacuation routes and plans pursuant to the act. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Brown, Bradford, Adcock, von Haefen.

[APPROP, GS 166A](#)

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Environment, Energy, Government, Budget/Appropriations, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, Department of Public Safety, Local Government

H 1111 (2021) **MODERNIZE STI TRANSIT FUNDING**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO MODERNIZE STI TRANSIT FUNDING*.

Amends GS 136-189.10 to add to the definition of *statewide strategic mobility projects*, applicable to Article 14B and the prescribed Transportation Investment Strategy Formula (Formula) used to distribute funds from the Highway Trust Fund and federal aid funds to categories of projects. Expands the term to include public transportation service that spans four or more counties and that serves more than three municipalities. Revises the parameters of projects relating to public transportation service spanning two or more counties that serve more than one municipality, categorized as regional impact projects under the provisions of the Formula, to repeal language (1) limiting programmed funds for these projects at 10% of any distribution region allocation; (2) prohibiting total State funding for a commuter rail or light rail project from exceeding the lesser of 10% of the distribution region allocation or 10% of the estimated total project costs used during the prioritization scoring process. Repeals GS 136-189.11(d1), which prohibits expending State funding for a light rail project until a written agreement is provided to the Department of Transportation (DOT) establishing that all non-State funding necessary to construct the project has been committed. Makes conforming repeals.

Appropriates \$50,000 from the Highway Fund to DOT for 2022-23 to hire a transit grant coordinator to identify opportunities to capture federal mass transit funding on existing proposed mass transit corridors.

Intro. by Belk, Brown, Alston, Morey.

APPROP, GS 136

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Transportation, Transportation

H 1112 **INCREASE NC BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER FUNDING**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR THE NC BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER*.

Includes whereas clauses. Appropriates \$6.4 million for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Commerce, to be used as title indicates.

Intro. by Hawkins.

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Business and Commerce, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Commerce

H 1116 (2021) **FIONA MAE WAGGLEBOTTOM'S ACT**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CRUELTY TO ANIMALS INCLUDES THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE SPACE OR SHELTER*.

Amends GS 14-360, concerning cruelty to animals, as follows. Expands upon the offense to also make it a Class 1 misdemeanor to deprive an animal of adequate shelter or adequate space or to cause any animal to be deprived of the same. Adds and defines the terms adequate shelter, adequate space, extreme weather, freedom of movement, and lawful hunt. Excludes from the offense under the statute the use of a dog in a lawful hunt. Makes additional clarifying changes. Effective December 1, 2022.

Appropriates \$100,000 for 2022-23 to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for a public awareness campaign about the changes made by this act. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Dahle, Harrison.

APPROP, GS 14

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Animals, Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

H 1117 (2021) **INCREASE FUNDING FOR SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO INCREASE ACCESS TO SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE AND TO STUDY EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR CHILD CARE SUBSIDY TO THREE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL*.

Includes whereas clauses.

Appropriates \$180 million in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development and Early Education, to fund the expansion of the number of children served in the child care subsidy program. Requires \$58 million of the funds for 2022-23 (in recurring funds) be allocated to cover copays for families eligible for subsidized child care.

Amends Section 9C.4 of SL 2021-180 to set the maximum gross annual income for initial eligibility for subsidized child care services for any child who is 12 years old or younger or any child with special needs, at 200% of the federal poverty level (removes the percentage differentiations that were based on the child's age). Adds that families receiving subsidized child care services whose gross annual income increases beyond the initial eligibility thresholds will share in the cost of care based on a percentage of their gross annual income, with amounts set at either 0% or 2.5%.

Appropriates \$250,000 for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Division of Child Development and Early Education for a feasibility study to plan for and determine the costs of expanding eligibility criteria for the child care subsidy program to 300% of the federal poverty level. Requires a report on the study to the specified NCGA committee by December 1, 2023.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Lofton, Harris.

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Social Services, Child Welfare, Public Assistance

H 1121 (2021) **FUNDS/WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE CITY OF GRAHAM AND THE TOWN OF HAW RIVER*.

Appropriates \$40 million from the General Fund to the City of Graham for 2022-23, with authority for the Office of State Budget and Management to use reversions under Section 12.13(e), SL 2021-180, which allocates funds appropriated by that act from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the Department of Environmental Quality for the Water Infrastructure Fund for specific water and sewer infrastructure projects. Limits use of funds to upgrades to the city's wastewater treatment plan. Provides for funds to remain available for this purpose.

Appropriates \$15.5 million from the General Fund to the Town of Haw River for 2022-23, with authority for the Office of State Budget and Management to use reversions under Section 12.13(e), SL 2021-180 to carry out the appropriation to the extent available. Limits use of funds to replacement and extension of water lines and pump stations, and for repairs to sewer lines to reduce inflow and infiltration. Provides for funds to remain available for this purpose.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Hurtado, Riddell.

APPROP, Alamance

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, Public Enterprises and

Utilities

H 1122 (2021) [RIGHT TO USE REUSABLE FOOD CONTAINERS](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CUSTOMER PROVIDED REUSABLE CONTAINERS AT ESTABLISHMENTS THAT PREPARE OR SERVE DRINK OR FOOD*.

Enacts new GS 130A-249.1 to allow a customer ordering a drink at an establishment that prepares or serves drinks in disposable food service containers to request that the drink be served instead in the customer's reusable container. Also allows a customer ordering goods at an establishment that prepares or serves food and packages leftovers in disposable food service containers to request that leftovers be packaged in the customer's reusable container. Sets out three conditions under which the request can be denied based on inappropriate container size or material, unsanitary containers, or contact or contamination of food-contact surfaces. Requires the posting of signs stating that customers are allowed to request the use of customer-provided reusable containers. Allows for the adoption of temporary rules to implement this statute.

Amends GS 130A-247 by adding and defining (1) *disposable food service container* as a container used to contain, hold, or transport food or drink only once and is thereafter discarded (excluding items composed entirely of aluminum and (2) *reusable container* as a container designed to contain, hold, or transport food or drink that is capable of multiple reuses.

Effective October 1, 2022.

Appropriates \$50,000 for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Commission for Public Health, to adopt the required rules.

Intro. by Rudow, Harrison, Morey, Butler.

[APPROP, GS 130A](#)

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[Business and Commerce, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health, Public Health](#)

H 1125 (2021) [SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER/UPDATING TERM](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO DIRECT THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION TO REVIEW THE TERM "DRUG ABUSE" WHEREVER IT APPEARS IN THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO RECOMMEND A BILL TO REPLACE IT WITH THE TERM "SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER," WHERE APPROPRIATE*.

Directs the General Statutes Commission as title indicates and requires the Commission to recommend implementing legislation to the 2023 NCGA. Appropriates \$10,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services to create and disseminate education materials for public health professionals regarding the change in language under the act and its supporting science. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Belk, Cunningham, White, Hunt.

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[Government, Budget/Appropriations, General Assembly, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health](#)

H 1127 (2021) [INCREASE TANF FUNDS](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE TO ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS OF TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) BENEFITS IN CONTINUED RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC*.

Appropriates \$13.2 million for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to provide additional assistance to eligible Temporary Assistance for Needy Families benefit recipients in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Requires that up to \$2 million be allocated per month for payments to eligible recipients. Specifies that

each recipient is to receive \$193 a month for up to six months. Requires DHHS to report to the specified NCGA committees and division by March 1, 2024, on the use of the funds. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Autry, Majeed, Dahle, Brown.

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[Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Social Services, Public Assistance](#)

H 1129 (2021) [PARENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS HELD BY PARENTS RELATED TO THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILD.*

Enacts new GS 115C-407.50 establishing that a parent has a right to: (1) access and review all education records, as authorized by the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, relating to his or her child; (2) make health care decisions for his or her child, unless otherwise provided by law; (3) have access to transparent data about school and district academic performance data; (4) have access to information, data, and statistics as to the successes, shortcomings, or failures of each school his or her child is allowed to attend; (5) to know the nutrition facts of his or her child's meals; (6) for his or her child to have a fully resourced classroom with the tools and technology to deliver curriculum requirements as required by the State Constitution; (7) receive timely notification of information related to his or her child's health, well-being, and education; (8) to know of threats to his or her child's safety, whether to the child individually or to the school or local school administrative unit as a whole; (9) have his or her child diagnosed and served by the education system for any learning disabilities that may affect the child's educational outcomes; (10) be able to sit in his or her child's class, within reasonable limits set by the local school administrative unit.

Appropriates \$50,000 for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction to create a public awareness campaign to inform parents of their rights regarding their child's education.

Applies beginning with the 2022-23 school year.

Intro. by Reives, Everitt, Cooper-Suggs, Lofton.

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

H 1130 (2021) [NO SERVICE ANIMAL REGISTRATION REQ/FUNDS](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO CLARIFY LANGUAGE REGARDING THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT FOR SERVICE ANIMALS UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO CONFORM WITH FEDERAL LAW AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A CAMPAIGN TO NOTIFY THE PUBLIC OF THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.*

Amends GS 168-4.2, repealing the provision which conditions a person with a disability's right to be accompanied by a trained service animal in places identified in GS 168-3 on the person showing a tag issued by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that is stamped with registration number, or showing that the animal is being trained or has been trained as a service animal.

Appropriates \$250,000 from the General Fund to DHHS for 2022-23 to develop and implement an information campaign on the right of persons with disabilities as enacted.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Cooper-Suggs, Hawkins, Dahle, Butler.

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[Animals, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State](#)

Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health

H 1132 (2021) **HMSI CYBERSECURITY FUNDS**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CYBERSECURITY IMPROVEMENTS AT CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA IDENTIFIED AS PUBLIC HISTORICALLY MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTIONS*.

Appropriates \$5 million in nonrecurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the UNC Board of Governors to be allocated in proportional amounts to each public Historically Minority-Serving Institution (HMSI) that is a UNC constituent institution for cybersecurity improvements needed to address domestic threats to those institutions. For purposes of this section, the following constituent institutions are identified as public HMSIs: Elizabeth City State University, Fayetteville State University, NC A&T State University, North Carolina Central University, UNC Pembroke, and Winston-Salem State University. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Hawkins.

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Education, Higher Education, Government, Budget/Appropriations, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, UNC System

H 1138 (2021) **CHILD TAX CREDIT**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO REENACT A STATE-LEVEL CHILD TAX CREDIT*.

Substantively identical to [S 865](#), filed 5/26/22.

Amends GS 105-153.10, which provides for the the state child tax credit. Defines qualifying child by reference to the Internal Revenue Code (Code). Eliminates the provisions which require the taxpayer to be permitted a federal tax credit as a qualifying condition to the state child tax credit. Increases the credit amount, ranging from \$125 to \$250 depending on filing status (was, \$100 to \$125). Updates the statutory cross-reference regarding the calculation of state taxable income. Prohibits married individuals who file separate returns from collectively claiming more than the maximum credit allowed under a joint return. Eliminates the provision that prohibits the credit allowed from exceeding the amount of individual income tax imposed by the Part 2, Article 4, for the taxable year reduced by the sum of all credits allowed, excluding payments made by or on behalf of the taxpayer. Instead, enacts new provisions that allow the credit to exceed the amount of individual income tax imposed for the taxable year reduced by the sum of all credits allowable, and requires the Secretary of the Department of Revenue to issue a refund of the excess to the taxpayer. Provides for refunds and computation of allowable credits, with nonrefundable credits subtracted before refundable credits. Effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

Intro. by Lofton, Reives, Harris.

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Government, State Agencies, Department of Revenue, Tax

H 1142 (2021) **REVISE MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSION LAWS**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT PROHIBITING MODIFICATIONS ENABLING ILLEGAL EMISSIONS ON DIESEL-POWERED MOTOR VEHICLES, DEFINING AND CRIMINALIZING "COAL ROLLING," AND REQUIRING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO UNDERGO TRAINING TO DEVELOP THE ABILITY TO PROPERLY IDENTIFY ILLEGAL MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSIONS*.

Amends GS 20-128, enacting a new subsection to prohibit persons from modifying a diesel-powered motor vehicle with a device that temporarily or permanently enables emission of visible air contaminants that exceeds the limits of state law, or coal rolling. Regarding the required safety inspection of a vehicle's exhaust and emissions control devices pursuant to GS 20-183.3, requires inspections of diesel-powered vehicles to include a determination that the vehicle is not in violation of new GS 20-128(e). Applies to vehicles inspected or due to be inspected on or after October 1, 2022.

Enacts GS 20-128.1A, making it a Class A1 misdemeanor to commit coal rolling. Defines coal rolling as operating a diesel-powered motor vehicle, causing an emission of visible air contaminants with the intent to (1) cause a reasonable person to feel harassed, annoyed, or alarmed; (2) obstruct or obscure another person's view of the roadway or a traffic control device; or (3) create a hazard to a vehicle operator, bicyclist, or pedestrian. Applies to offenses committed on or after December 1, 2022.

Amends GS 17C-6 relating to the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission, and GS 17E-4 relating to the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission, to require that the minimum training standards established by the Commissions for criminal justice officers and justice offers include training to develop the ability to identify violations of GS 20-128 and GS 20-128.1A, as enacted, with eight hours of such training required annually. Applies to applications for law enforcement certification filed on or after January 1, 2023.

Appropriates \$25,000 from the Highway Fund to the Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles for 2022-23 to implement the act's emission inspections standard and educate the public regarding the act. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Autry, Logan, Harrison.

[APPROP, GS 17C, GS 17E, GS 20](#)

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[Business and Commerce, Occupational Licensing, Courts/Judiciary, Motor Vehicle, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Government, Budget/Appropriations, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, Department of Transportation, Transportation](#)

H 1146 (2021) [COMMUNITY SAFETY ACT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN POLICIES AND STANDARDS SURROUNDING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.*

Identical to [S 801](#), filed 5/25/22.

Part I.

Requires the Department of Justice (DOJ) to assist law enforcement agencies seeking grant funds by alerting law enforcement agencies to available grant funds and assisting law enforcement agencies with drafting and submitting grant proposals and applications.

Appropriates \$200,000 in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to DOJ to hire two full-time grant writers.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Part II.

Appropriates \$250,000 in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to DOJ to award grants to law enforcement agencies for initiatives supporting community policing. Effective July 1, 2022.

Part III.

Appropriates \$500,000 in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to DOJ to be used for grants: (1) provided to law enforcement agencies to be awarded to law enforcement officers exhibiting exemplary service and (2) awarded to law enforcement agencies for meeting racial or gender diversity benchmarks. Caps grant awards at \$10,000. Effective July 1, 2022.

Part IV.

Amends GS 15A-401(d)(2), which sets out when a law-enforcement officer is justified in using deadly physical force, by making the following changes. Adds that the use of deadly force includes strangleholds, lateral vascular neck restraints, carotid restraints, or any other tactics that restrict oxygen or blood flow to the head or neck. Requires in all circumstances in which a law enforcement officer uses force of any kind, that the law-enforcement officer use the minimum amount of force reasonably necessary to accomplish the law-enforcement action and attempt to use de-escalation tactics. Effective October 1, 2022.

Requires the Attorney General, in consultation with the North Carolina Sheriffs' Association and the North Carolina Association of Chiefs of Police, to develop uniform use-of-force policies that may be adopted by all law enforcement agencies

in the state. Requires the policies to be submitted to the specified NCGA committee by December 1, 2022, published on DOJ's website, and distributed digitally to all law enforcement agencies in the state.

Part V.

Amends GS 17C-6 to also give the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission the power to establish the minimum age requirement for qualification for entry level employment as a criminal justice officer, which must not be less than age 21.

Amends GS 17C-13 to allow the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission access to a person's misdemeanor conviction records and allow the Commission to deny, suspend, or revoke a person's certification based solely on that person's conviction of four or more misdemeanors.

Amends GS 17E-4 to also give the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission the power to establish the minimum age requirement for qualification for entry level employment as an officer, which must not be less than age 21.

Amends GS 17E-12 to allow the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission access to a person's misdemeanor conviction records and allow the Commission to deny, suspend, or revoke a person's certification based solely on that person's conviction of four or more misdemeanors.

The above provisions are effective January 1, 2023.

Part VI.

Appropriates \$1 million in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to DOJ for grants to law enforcement agencies to temporarily provide funding for detectives or other investigative law enforcement positions in order to aid in the investigation of person crimes that would constitute a charge of a Class D felony or higher. Effective July 1, 2022.

Part VII.

Includes a severability clause.

Intro. by Reives, Gailliard, Hurtado, Lofton.

[APPROP, GS 15A, GS 17C, GS 17E](#)

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H 1147 (2021) [FUND OUR POLICE ACT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR LOCAL EMPLOYING AUTHORITIES TO PROVIDE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WITH A ONE-TIME APPRECIATION AND RETENTION BONUS FOR SERVICE DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC.*

Identical to [S 802](#), filed 5/25/22.

Appropriates \$50,745,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety (Department) for 2022-23 to fund one-time \$1,500 bonuses for local law enforcement officers employed on July 1, 2022. Defines local law enforcement officer as a full-time employee hired by the local employing authority (as defined) and serving as a sheriffs' deputy, police officer, detention officer, or telecommunicator.

Requires, by August 1, 2022, that each local employing authority submit documentation identifying the eligible officers to the Department. Also requires the local employing authority, before receiving any funds, to submit an attestation acknowledging that program funds must be provided directly to the eligible officers. Requires the bonus to be paid by September 1, 2022.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Reives, Gailliard, Cooper-Suggs, Hunter.

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**Government, Budget/Appropriations, Public Safety and
Emergency Management, State Agencies, Department of
Public Safety**

PUBLIC/SENATE BILLS

S 845 (2021) **COMMUNITY-BASED DOULA CERTIFICATION BOARD**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE COMMUNITY-BASED DOULA CERTIFICATION BOARD*.

Enacts Part 37, Article 3, GS Chapter 143, establishing the Community-Based Doula Certification Board (Board), consisting of 10 legislatively and gubernatorially appointed, voting members, and the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), or their designee, as an ex officio member. Provides for member terms, vacancies, compensation, meetings, and staffing. Establishes nine duties of the Board, including establishing qualifications for certification under the Article, taking disciplinary actions against certified individuals, and adopting and publishing a code of ethics. Includes seven defined terms. Sets eight principles of practice and models of care for community-based doulas. Directs the Board to develop professional standards and core competencies for all certified community-based doulas. Sets limits on certification fees at \$350 for application and \$150 for renewal. Enumerates 20 components of the scope of practice for a community-based doula, including prenatal education and resources, assistance in preparing for and carrying out a client's birth plan, companionship and support during labor and delivery, appropriate mental health screening and referrals to community supports, and postpartum education and resources. Prohibits certified individuals from giving medical advice, performing medical tasks or procedures, practicing medicine unlicensed, contradicting a licensed health care provider, or prescribing medications. Sets 29 minimum components the Board must include in adopting rules regarding required training for certification, including certain hour requirements for various care and practices. Effective October 1, 2023.

Requires the Board to adopt temporary implementing rules. Requires initial appointment of Board members by October 1, 2022, with terms beginning January 1, 2023. Directs initial appointees to immediately seek certification.

Intro. by deViere, Murdock.

GS 143B

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**Government, State Agencies, Department of Health and
Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health, Health
Care Facilities and Providers, Public Health**

S 848 (2021) **TAX RELIEF FOR NC EMPS. & UI REFORM**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO REFORM THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS BY INCREASING BENEFIT ELIGIBILITY TO A TWENTY-SIX WEEK PERIOD AND THE MAXIMUM WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT TO THE SUM EQUAL TO FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION, BASING THE CALCULATION OF THE BENEFIT AMOUNT ON THE HIGHEST PAID QUARTER, INCREASING BENEFITS ALLOWED FOR PARTIAL UNEMPLOYMENT, PROVIDING BENEFITS IN CASES WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL LEAVES EMPLOYMENT FOR SPOUSAL RELOCATION OR HEALTH REASONS OR DUE TO AN UNDUE HARDSHIP, AUTHORIZING THE FORGIVENESS OF NONFRAUDULENT OVERPAYMENTS CAUSED BY AGENCY ERROR, AND ESTABLISHING A SHORT-TERM COMPENSATION PROGRAM TO BENEFIT EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES; TO ENACT A TAX HOLIDAY FOR EMPLOYERS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2023; AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR IMPLEMENTATION*.

Section 1.1

Amends GS 96-14.2, changing the weekly benefit amount for total and partial unemployment. Now, provides for the weekly benefit amount for total unemployment to equal the wages paid to the individual in the highest paid quarter of the individual's base period divided by 26 and rounded to the next lower whole dollar (previously, was equal to the wages paid in the last two completed quarters of the individual's base period, divided and rounded as described). Also increases the cap for the weekly benefit amount from \$350 to \$500, and requires annual adjustment for increases in the consumer price index on January 1.

Defines consumer price index and provides for adjustment procedures. Replaces the calculation of partial weekly benefit amounts as follows. Provides that if the total wages payable to an individual for less than full-time work performed in a week claimed exceed one-half of the individual's weekly benefit amount, the amount of wages that exceed one-half of the weekly benefit amount must be deducted from the benefits payable to the claimant (previously, reduced by the amount of any wages the individual receives in the benefit week in excess of 20% of the benefit amount applicable to total unemployment).

Section 2.1

Amends GS 96-14.3, eliminating the current duration parameters for unemployment benefits. Instead, establishes a standard maximum period of 26 weeks for any eligible individual entitled to receive unemployment benefits, unless expressly extended by state or federal law. Makes conforming changes to the total allowable benefits amount.

Section 3.1

Amends GS 96-14.8 to expand the reasons for leaving work provided which do not disqualify an individual for benefits, and which are not chargeable to the employer's account. Adds instances where an individual leaves work due solely to a disability incurred or other health condition, whether or not related to work, so long as the individual shows an adequate disability of the employee, a minor in the legal custody of the individual, an aged or disabled parent of the individual, or a disabled member of the individual's immediate family, at the time of leaving, that prevented the employee from doing the greater of other alternative work at minimum wage or 85 percent of the individual's regular wage, and that the individual gave the employer reasonable notice of the disability or health condition. Adds instances where an individual is unable to accept a particular shift due to inability to obtain child care for a minor under 14 years of age in the legal custody of the individual, elder care for an aged or disabled parent of the individual, or care for any disabled member of that individual's immediate family. Finally, adds instances where an individual leaves work to accompany a spouse to a new place of residence where the spouse has secured work in a location that is too far removed for the claimant reasonably to continue to work.

Section 4.1

Revises the repayments liabilities for overpayments stated in GS 96-18(g) to no longer include overpayment of unemployment benefits by the Division of Employment Security due to errors of Division representatives as a liability of the individual receiving the benefits.

Amends GS 96-18.1, adding a new subsection to prohibit charging any employer where unemployment benefits are paid as a result of a decision by the Division if the decision is ultimately reversed. Prohibits deeming such benefits paid to constitute overpayment under GS 96-18(g).

Section 5.1

Enacts Article 6, Work-Sharing and Short-Time Compensation, of GS Chapter 96. Establishes a short-time compensation program that allows employers to submit a short-time compensation plan for approval by the Division of Employment Security (Division) for an affected unit of the employer to avert layoffs and offer short-time compensation to workers in the affected unit under an approved plan.

Requires an employer to submit a signed, written short-time compensation plan (plan) to the Division for approval. Requires the Division to develop an application form that includes nine specified components, including (1) the affected units and employees covered; (2) the employees' usual weekly hours of work, as defined, and the employer's proposed reduction percentage during weeks covered by the plan, which must be between 10 and 60 percent; (3) certification of continued health and retirement benefits, as defined, during weeks covered by the plan; (4) certification that the aggregate reduction of work hours is in lieu of layoffs; and (5) the effective date and duration of the plan, which cannot exceed 12 months. Provides for flexibility in the application process for demonstrated good cause, such as modes of operation that preclude setting specific dates and hours in the application. Excludes overtime work from the term usual weekly hours of work, and prohibits the hours from exceeding 40.

Requires the Division to approve or disapprove the plan in writing within 30 days of receipt and to promptly notify the employer. Requires notice of disapproval to include specific reasoning. Allows submission of another plan after 90 days of disapproval.

Details parameters regarding the effective date and duration of the plan, allowing plans to expire earlier than the end of the twelfth calendar month after its effective date. Allows an employer to terminate the plan at any time upon written notice to the

Division. Allows an employer to submit a new application at any time after the expiration or termination date of a plan.

Allows for the Division to revoke plan approval for good cause at any time. Requires revocation to be in writing and include specific reasoning. Provides that revocation terminates the plan on the date specified in the order. Authorizes the Division to periodically review plans to assure no good cause exists for revocation, such as failure to comply with the assurances given in the plan, unreasonable revision of productivity standards for the affected unit, conduct or occurrence tending to defeat the intent and effective operation of the plan, and violation of any criteria on which approval of the plan was based.

Details requirements and limitations regarding plan modification. Prohibits any modification from extending the original plan's expiration date. Requires reporting of any modification that is not substantial which does not require Division approval.

Details eligibility for short-time compensation and benefits included under an approved plan. Eligibility criteria are that the individual be monetarily eligible and not disqualified for unemployment compensation who: (1) during the week, is employed as a member of an affected unit under a prior approved plan and the plan is in effect with respect to the week for which compensation is claimed; (2) is available for his or her usual hours of work with the employer, including training; and (3) is deemed unemployed in any week during the duration of the plan when remuneration as an employee in an affected unit is reduced based on a reduction of the individual's usual weekly hours of work under an approved plan. Defines unemployment compensation to mean the unemployment benefits payable under new Article 6 other than short-time compensation including any amounts payable pursuant to an agreement under any federal law providing for compensation, assistance, or allowances with respect to unemployment. Sets the weekly compensation amount to be the product of the regular weekly unemployment compensation amount for a week of total unemployment multiplied by the percentage of reduction in the individual's usual weekly hours of work. Bars eligibility for combined benefits in any benefit year in an amount more than the maximum entitlement for regular unemployment compensation and payment for more than 52 weeks under the plan. Details further parameters and limitations for compensation, including relation to regular unemployment compensation and the impact of working or not working for a short-time employer and/or another employer during weeks covered by the plan.

Provides that short-time compensation benefits must be charged to an employers' experience rating accounts in the same manner as unemployment compensation charged under GS Chapter 96. Adds that employers liable for payments in lieu of contributions must have short-time compensation attributed to service in their employ in the same manner as unemployment compensation is attributed.

Deems an individual who has received all of the short-time compensation or combined unemployment compensation and short-time compensation available in a benefit year to be an exhaustee of extended benefits unless otherwise eligible for extended benefits.

Provides for the provisions of Section 5.1 to become effective 60 days from the date the act becomes law and applying retroactively to claims arising, and to plans submitted, on or after April 1, 2022.

Section 6.1

Suspends required employer contributions and payments under GS 96-9.2 through December 31, 2023. Effective July 1, 2022.

Section 7.1

Appropriates \$100,000 for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Commerce, Division of Employment Security, to fund the implementation of this act. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Nickel, Lowe, Woodard.

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S 852 (2021) **TAX RELIEF ON ESSENTIALS FOR WORKING FAMILIES**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO EXEMPT FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS, DIAPERS, AND GROCERIES FROM SALES TAX*.

Amends GS 105-164.13 to exclude from sales tax feminine hygiene products, as now defined under GS 105-164.3; excludes grooming and hygiene products, as defined. Further amends GS 105-164.13 to exclude from sales tax sales of children or adult diapers or incontinence underpads (replacing the existing exemption for sales of diapers or incontinence pads on prescription by an enrolled State Medicaid/health Choice provider for use by program beneficiaries when the provider is reimbursed by the State Medicaid program or a Medicaid MCO).

Repeals GS 105-164.13B(b), which requires the Secretary of Revenue (Secretary) to administer local sales and use taxes imposed on food as if they were imposed under Article 39, which authorizes counties to levy a 1 cent sales and use tax, applicable to local sales taxes on food imposed under specified state laws. Amends GS 105-467(a), which defines and limits the scope of the county sales and use tax that can be levied under Article 39, to eliminate from the tax's scope the sales price of food that is exempt from state sales and use tax under GS 105-164.13B, and the sales prices of a bundled transaction that include food subject to local tax under the statute. Makes conforming changes to reflect the exemption enacted for food.

Amends GS 105-164.3 to exclude food from the definition of *amenity* as it applies to state sales and use taxes imposed under Article 5.

Applies to sales made on or after October 1, 2022.

Intro. by Mohammed, Murdock, Mayfield.

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[Business and Commerce, Government, State Agencies, Department of Revenue, Tax, Local Government, Health and Human Services, Health, Public Health](#)

S 854 (2021) [CAROLINA'S GUARANTEE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.*

Adds new Part 7, Community College Promise Scholarship Program in Article 23 of GS Chapter 116, providing as follows. Enacts GS 116-209.100, establishing the Community College Promise Scholarship Program (program), administered by the State Education Assistance Authority (Authority). States the program's purpose. Directs the Authority to annually award scholarships to eligible students for up to four academic semesters at a community college in the State. Requires applicants to complete a FASFA and requires the Authority to reduce a scholarship award by the amount of any grants or scholarships the applicant received from other State or federal resources. Provides for scholarships to be awarded in the order application are received. Establishes student eligibility criteria, including that the student graduated with at least a 2.0 unweighted GPA from a public high school, nonpublic high school or home school located in the State in the academic semester prior to enrollment at the community college; the student qualifies as a resident for tuition purposes; and the student gains admission at a community college in a curriculum program. Allows for annual renewal of the scholarship if the student demonstrates a 2.3 GPA and maintains satisfactory progress. Directs the Authority to adopt rules for program administrative.

Enacts GS 116-209.101 as follows. Directs the Authority to partner with the Community Colleges System Office and local school administrative units to place higher education advisors in secondary schools statewide to provide outreach to high school students on the program and other financial aid assistance programs. Requires the advisors to provide information to students on FASFA assistance and scholarship options.

Enacts GS 116-209.102, establishing the Community College Promise Scholarship Fund Reserve, administered by the Authority, consisting of all appropriations and receipts by the Authority to administer the program, returned scholarship monies, and all interest earned. Limits use of Reserve funds to scholarships, as specified, and administrative costs of the Authority, up to 5%.

Enacts GS 116-209.103, establishing an annual reporting requirement for the Authority to report on the program to the specified NCGA committee, beginning November 1, 2023. Specifies required content of the report.

applies beginning with the 2023-24 academic year.

Appropriates the following funds from the General Fund to the UNC Board of Governors (BOG) for 2022-23 to be allocated to the Authority: \$300,000 to establish the program and the financial aid counseling program, as enacted; and \$4,007,550 in

recurring funds to hire up to 100 full-time higher education advisers to be assigned as described, with employment beginning no earlier than January 1, 2023.

Appropriates \$161,300,000 in recurring funds from the General Fund to the Reserve for the 2022-23 to award scholarships under the program beginning with the 2023-24 academic year.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Batch, Fitch, Garrett.

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[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Higher Education, Employment and Retirement, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Community Colleges System Office, UNC System, Local Government](#)

S 859 (2021) [IN-STATE TUITION FLEXIBILITY ACT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN BENEFICIARIES OF THE FEDERAL DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS INITIATIVE TO RECEIVE IN-STATE TUITION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN THIS STATE.*

Amends GS 116-143.1 to allow a person who meets all of the following to be given resident tuition status at a UNC constituent institution or community college: (1) the person received a high school diploma from a secondary school or high school or received a high school equivalency diploma within the state, (2) the person attended state schools at least two consecutive years immediately prior to completing high school, (3) the person is a beneficiary of the federal Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) initiative and provides related documentation, and (4) the person satisfies the admission standards for the constituent institution or community college and has secured admission and enrolled as a student at the constituent institution or community college. Makes application information confidential and not a public record. Effective July 1, 2022, and applies beginning with the 2022-23 academic year.

Intro. by Lowe, Mohammed.

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[Education, Higher Education, Government, State Agencies, Community Colleges System Office, UNC System, Immigration](#)

S 860 (2021) [PARENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS HELD BY PARENTS RELATED TO THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILD.*

Identical to [H 1129](#), filed 5/26/22.

Enacts new GS 115C-407.50 establishing that a parent has a right to: (1) access and review all education records, as authorized by the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, relating to his or her child; (2) make health care decisions for his or her child, unless otherwise provided by law; (3) have access to transparent data about school and district academic performance data; (4) have access to information, data, and statistics as to the successes, shortcomings, or failures of each school his or her child is allowed to attend; (5) to know the nutrition facts of his or her child's meals; (6) for his or her child to have a fully resourced classroom with the tools and technology to deliver curriculum requirements as required by the State Constitution; (7) receive timely notification of information related to his or her child's health, well-being, and education; (8) to know of threats to his or her child's safety, whether to the child individually or to the school or local school administrative unit as a whole; (9) have his or her child diagnosed and served by the education system for any learning disabilities that may affect the child's educational outcomes; (10) be able to sit in his or her child's class, within reasonable limits set by the local school administrative unit.

Appropriates \$50,000 for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction to create a public awareness campaign to inform parents of their rights regarding their child's education.

Applies beginning with the 2022-23 school year.

Intro. by Batch, Fitch, Garrett.

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies,
Department of Public Instruction**

S 861 (2021) **BH STATEWIDE CENTRAL AVAILABILITY NAVIGATOR**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO FACILITATE APPROPRIATE PLACEMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENT NEEDS THROUGH THE USE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BED REFERRAL SYSTEM, TO BE KNOWN AS THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH STATEWIDE CENTRAL AVAILABILITY NAVIGATOR OR BH SCAN.*

Enacts GS 122C-32, mandating specified facilities to participate in the Behavioral Health Statewide Central Availability Navigator (BH SCAN), including identified categories of child residential services facilities; community inpatient psychiatric units and hospitals; facilities that provide facility-based crisis services, nonhospital medical detoxification services, social setting detoxification services, or youth facility-based crisis services; psychiatric residential treatment facilities; and State-operated alcohol and drug treatment centers or psychiatric hospitals. Specifies criteria to satisfy the BH SCAN participation requirement, including daily connection, daily updates to bed availability, and time updates to any operational or admission information. Provides for a fine of \$100 per day for noncompliance. Authorizes the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to waive the fine for no-fault technical complications resulting in noncompliance. Effective October 1, 2022.

Appropriates \$100,000 from the General Fund to DHHS, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services to facilitate connections to the BH SCAN and to communicate the requirements of the act. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Burgin.

APPROP, GS 122C

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**Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies,
Department of Health and Human Services, Health and
Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers,
Mental Health**

S 862 (2021) **CANCER RESEARCH/FUNDS**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT IMPLEMENTING CERTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADVISORY PANEL ON CANCER RESEARCH AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE.*

Amends the central cancer registry's powers and duties under GS 130A-208, to also include serving as the lead agency for cancer cluster inquiries and investigations in the State as provided in new GS 130A-208.5. Enacts new GS 130A-208.5 requiring the central cancer registry to oversee the coordination of State-level efforts and activities related to cancer cluster inquiries and investigations in a way that maximizes efficiency and effectiveness.

Enacts new GS 130A-208.6 requiring the central cancer registry to employ an epidemiologist with knowledge, training, and experience in cancer epidemiology whose primary responsibility it will be to coordinate and communicate State-level cancer cluster activities. Sets out the cancer epidemiologist's six duties and powers.

Enacts new GS 130A-208.7 requiring the central cancer registry to collaborate with the cancer epidemiologist in establishing and periodically updating an enhanced statewide cancer cluster protocol for addressing suspected cancer clusters in the State. Requires the protocol to be based on the most current CDC guidelines and incorporate four stated items.

Effective October 1, 2022.

Appropriates \$314,777 in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Public Health, to be used in specified amounts for the following: (1) to create one full-time

equivalent Cancer Epidemiologist position dedicated to cancer cluster investigations; (2) to create one full-time equivalent Public Health Educator II position within the Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Branch to assist DHHS and local health departments with communications during cancer cluster investigations and as the results of these investigations are made available to local health departments, the media, and the general public; (3) to create two full-time equivalent Certified Tumor Registrar positions to coordinate outreach, communication, and onboarding with physician practices to improve cancer case identification across the State, and sets out additional duties of these positions. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Sawyer.

[APPROP, GS 130A](#)

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[Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health, Public Health](#)

S 863 (2021) [HOMEBUYER FAIRNESS & AMP PROTECTION ACT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF DUE DILIGENCE FUNDS ALLOWED IN RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSING COALITION TO BE USED TO SUPPORT HOMEBUYER EDUCATION SERVICES IN THIS STATE.*

Enacts new Article 4, Unenforceable Real Estate Transaction Charges, in GS Chapter 22B, consisting of new GS 22B-30, providing as follows. Prohibits a seller of residential real property from requiring, as a condition of accepting an offer to purchase the property, due diligence funds (as defined) in an amount exceeding 1% of the purchase price contained in the offer to purchase. Voids any provision in a contract specifying an amount in excess of this amount. Makes the seller liable for court costs and attorneys' fees in an action to recover due diligence funds specified in a contract provision rendered void and unenforceable under this statute. Effective October 1, 2022.

Appropriates \$10 million for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management to be allocated as a grant to the North Carolina Housing Coalition, Inc., to support homebuyer education. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Garrett, Batch, Fitch.

[APPROP, GS 22B](#)

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S 864 (2021) [TALENT PIPELINE DEVELOPMENT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR FIVE NEW REGIONAL OUTREACH POSITIONS AT THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY TO INCREASE TALENT IN THE NANOTECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY.*

Appropriates \$510,250 in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Commerce to be allocated to the National Institute of Innovation and Technology, Inc., (Institute) to establish the following five new positions at the Institute, as specified, plus operating costs. Requires the positions to work to address the talent shortage in nanotechnology-related fields and advanced manufacturing, including the specified fields, through recruitment of qualified persons. Sets out recruitment efforts that must be made concerning pre-apprenticeship and youth pathway programs. Sets out minimum qualifications for the positions.

Requires the National Institute of Innovation and Technology, Inc., to annually for each year that State funds are expended: (1) report to the specified NCGA committee chairs and division on prior fiscal year program activities, objectives, and accomplishments and prior fiscal year itemized expenditures and fund sources; (2) provide the specified NCGA committee chairs and division with a copy of the entity's annual audited financial statements.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Chaudhuri, Batch, Garrett.

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Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of
Commerce**S 865 (2021) **CHILD TAX CREDIT**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO REENACT A STATE-LEVEL CHILD TAX CREDIT*.

Amends GS 105-153.10, which provides for the the state child tax credit. Defines *qualifying child* by reference to the Internal Revenue Code (Code). Eliminates the provisions which require the taxpayer to be permitted a federal tax credit as a qualifying condition to the state child tax credit. Increases the credit amount, ranging from \$125 to \$250 depending on filing status (was, \$100 to \$125). Updates the statutory cross-reference regarding the calculation of state taxable income. Prohibits married individuals who file separate returns from collectively claiming more than the maximum credit allowed under a joint return. Eliminates the provision that prohibits the credit allowed from exceeding the amount of individual income tax imposed by the Part 2, Article 4, for the taxable year reduced by the sum of all credits allowed, excluding payments made by or on behalf of the taxpayer. Instead, enacts new provisions that allow the credit to exceed the amount of individual income tax imposed for the taxable year reduced by the sum of all credits allowable, and requires the Secretary of the Department of Revenue to issue a refund of the excess to the taxpayer. Provides for refunds and computation of allowable credits, with nonrefundable credits subtracted before refundable credits. Effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

Intro. by Chaudhuri, Fitch, Garrett.

GS 105

[View summary](#)**Government, State Agencies, Department of Revenue, Tax**S 866 (2021) **FUND SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS AND SOCIAL WORKERS**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS AND SOCIAL WORKERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS*.

Amends GS 115C-316.5, which authorizes the State Board of Education (State Board) to adopt rules for the allocation of school psychologist positions, to set the allocation of positions on the basis of average daily membership (ADM) at a rate of one psychologist per 700 students. Establishes a schedule for appropriations from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to be allocated to the school psychologist allotment, with amounts necessary to employ the specified percentage of the ratio of school psychologists to students, beginning with 2023-24 at 30%, and increasing to 100% in 2028-29. Directs the State Budget to include the appropriated amount for each fiscal year identified in the schedule. Provides that allotted funds are supplemental.

Appropriates \$18,835,270 in recurring funds from the General Fund to DPI for 2022-23 to be allocated to the school psychologist allotment pursuant to GS 115C-316.5, as amended.

Enacts GS 115C-316.7, directing the State Board to establish a funding allotment for school social worker roles. Authorizes the State Board to adopt rules for the allocation of the positions, with the basis of ADM at a rate of one school social worker per 400 students. Establishes a schedule for appropriations from the General Fund to DPI to be allocated to the school social worker allotment, with amounts necessary to employ the specified percentage of the ratio of school social workers to students, beginning with 2023-24 at 30%, and increasing to 100% in 2028-29. Directs the State Budget to include the appropriated amount for each fiscal year identified in the schedule. Provides that allotted funds are supplemental.

Appropriates \$24,216,890 in recurring funds from the General Fund to DPI for 2022-23 to be allocated to the school social worker allotment pursuant to GS 115C-316.7, as enacted.

Intro. by Chaudhuri, Mohammed.

APPROP, GS 115C

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies,**

**Department of Public Instruction, State Board of Education,
Health and Human Services, Health**

S 867 (2021) **HIGH-IMPACT TUTORING GRANT PROGRAM**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO CREATE A HIGH-IMPACT TUTORING GRANT PROGRAM TO ADDRESS LEARNING LOSS RESULTING FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC*.

Requires the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to establish a High-Impact Tutoring Grant Program (Program) to enable public schools to provide tutors to students to address learning loss and unfinished learning resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Requires the Program to begin in the 2022-23 school year and conclude at the end of the 2024-25 school year.

Requires DPI to develop an application process for the Program and sets out 12 items that must be provided by applicants, including the methods that will be used to determine which students will participate in the tutoring program, the methods to be used for measuring student academic progress and other tutoring program outcomes, whether the public school unit will create its own tutoring program or partner with existing tutoring providers, the methods to be used for recruiting and supporting tutors, and a schedule showing how the tutoring session will be completed during existing class time. Requires the tutoring plan to explain how the school will accomplish, or why it will not accomplish, 11 specified objectives, including providing tutoring a minimum of three times each week with at least 30 to 50 minutes of instruction per tutoring session, emphasizing student attendance and educator support, using a high-quality curriculum that is aligned with academic standards and practices, and providing data-driven tutoring with interim assessments to monitor student progress. Prioritizes awarding grants to applicants that demonstrate at least one of: a need for financial support to aid students in addressing learning loss and unfinished learning resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic; enrollment of a high percentage of low-income or underserved students; or the unit has one or more schools located in a rural area that could not otherwise afford to have a tutoring program.

Allows DPI for 2022-23 and 2023-24 to grant awards of the lesser of up to \$450,000 or half the estimated cost of the tutoring program, per public school unit. Increases that amount for 2024-25 to the lesser of \$900,000 or the full cost of the tutoring program. Sets out five allowable uses of the funds.

Specifies that participating schools may use up to 36 hours of high-impact tutoring time toward the instructional hours required for the school calendar.

Requires participating schools to give information to tutors about potential pathways into the teaching profession, including materials that are to be created by DPI.

Requires an annual report, beginning in 2023, for every year that funds are made available for the Program, to the specified NCGA committee on 10 specified areas of information.

Appropriates \$23 million for 2022-23 and 2023-24 and \$45 million for 2024-25 from the General Fund to DPI for access to the Program. Requires the Director of the Budget to include the appropriated amount when developing the base budget.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Chaudhuri, Batch.

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**Education, Elementary and Secondary Education,
Government, Budget/Appropriations, Public Safety and
Emergency Management, State Agencies, Department of
Public Instruction**

S 868 (2021) **ADAPTIVE EXERCISE EQUIPMENT COVERAGE**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO REQUIRE HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR ADAPTIVE EXERCISE EQUIPMENT*.

Enacts new GS 58-3-295 requiring every health benefit plan offered in NC to cover adaptive exercise equipment for individuals with chronic mobility impairments resulting in lifelong wheelchair use. Defines adaptive exercise equipment as any machine, device, or tool designed to accommodate the improvement or maintenance of physical health. Subjects coverage to

the same copay, coinsurance, and deductible as similar durable medical equipment. Specifies that the statute does not prevent an insurer from applying utilization review criteria to determine medical necessity and sets out requirements for such review.

Makes conforming changes to GS 135-48.51 concerning coverage by the State Health Plan.

Effective October 1, 2022.

Appropriates \$10,000 for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to Disability Rights North Carolina to educate the public on this act. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Chaudhuri.

APPROP, GS 58

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Office of State Budget and Management, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Insurance

S 869 (2021) [LET PARENTS CHOOSE/SAMMY'S LAW OF 2022](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO ENACT THE LET PARENTS CHOOSE PROTECTION ACT OF 2022 TO FACILITATE MANAGEMENT OF THE SOCIAL MEDIA INTERACTIONS OF CHILDREN.*

Enacts Article 9, GS Chapter 75 to be cited as the Let Parents Choose Protection Act of 2022 or Sammy's Law of 2022. States legislative findings and defines seven terms. Requires large social media platform provider, as defined, with users in the State to create, maintain, and make available to any third-party safety software provider registered to do business in the State a set of third-party accessible real-time application programming interfaces and any information necessary to use the interfaces. Defines *large social media platform* as a website or online application that allows for use by a child, includes features that allow a child to share images, text, or video with other users with persons the child has met solely through the service, and has over 1 million monthly active users in the US or generates more than \$500 million in annual gross revenue; provides for exclusions.

Provides for availability of the interfaces upon request of the third-party safety software provider in order to facilitate a child of at least 13 years or a legal guardian of a minor to delegate permission to the third-party safety software provider for two tasks: (1) managing the child's online interactions, content, and account settings on the large social media platform on terms designated by the child or the legal guardian of a child; and (2) initiating secure transfers of user data from the large social media platform in a commonly used and machine-readable format to the third-party safety software provider; prohibits the social media platform provider from limiting the transfers to less than once per hour.

Requires compliance with the requirements within 30 days of the date the platform meets the definition of a large social media platform and continues compliance until the platform no longer meets that definition, or delegation is revoked, the account is disabled, or the provider rejects the delegation. Generally prohibits disclosure of user data by a third-party safety software provider, with five limited exceptions specified, including disclosure to a lawful request from a governing body. Requires the provider to notify the parent or legal guardian of the child that disclosure has been or will be made for certain disclosures pursuant to state law or involving the health or safety of the individual, unless that notice would place the child at risk or is prohibited by law as described. Provides for enforcement of the Article as an unfair and deceptive trade practice under GS 75-1.1.

Appropriates \$10,000 from the General Fund to the Division of Child and Family Well-Being, Department of Health and Human Services for 2022-23 to create and disseminate educational materials relating to monitoring social media use by children.

Effective July 1, 2022. Provides for the act's requirements of large social media platform providers to apply beginning 30 days thereafter.

Intro. by Craven, Ballard, Krawiec.

APPROP, GS 75

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Business and Commerce, Consumer Protection, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Health

and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Social Services, Child Welfare

S 871 (2021) **CAPITAL PROJECT OVERSIGHT CHANGES-COMM. COLL.** Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO ENABLE THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO STREAMLINE DELEGATION OF CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS TO COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUSES AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO ASSIST COMMUNITY COLLEGES WITH PROJECTS UPON REQUEST.*

Amends GS 115D-9, which authorizes the State Board of Community Colleges (State Board) to delegate the powers granted to it with respect to the design, construction, repair, or renovation of buildings, utilities, and other State-funded property developments of the System requiring up to \$4 million of estimated expenditure of public money. No longer limits the State Board's delegation authority to a community college qualified under its guidelines and approved by the State Building Commission and the Director of Budget, now requiring only that the community college be qualified under the State Board's guidelines. Deems delegated projects of less than \$2 million excluded from the architecture and engineering duties of the Department of Administration (DOA) under GS 143-341(3), if the State Board determines that the college has the expertise necessary to manage the project, so long as the Office of State Construction's assistance has not been requested assistance. Additionally, limits the reporting requirements for the State Board regarding projects governed by the statute to those which are funded with at least \$2 million of public money.

Revises the architecture and engineering duties of DOA for community college buildings under GS 143-341 to require DOA to examine and approve all plans and specifications for the construction or renovation of all community college buildings for which the State Board has submitted a written request for a project requiring less than \$2 million of public funds expended, prior to awarding the contract, and changes made after the contract is awarded.

Intro. by McInnis.

GS 115D, GS 143

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Development, Land Use and Housing, Building and Construction, Education, Higher Education, Government, State Agencies, Community Colleges System Office, Department of Administration

S872 (2021) **INCREASE SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAM'R CAPACITY.** Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A SEXUAL ASSAULT NURSE EXAMINER (SANE) TRAINING AND FELLOWS PROGRAM AT FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY TO BUILD READINESS AND A COMMUNITY SUPPORT MODEL OF CARE.*

Includes whereas clauses. Appropriates \$3 million in nonrecurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the University of North Carolina Board of Governors, to be used as title indicates. Specifies that the funds do not revert and remain available until the end of 2023-24. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by deViere.

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Education, Higher Education, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, UNC System, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers

S 874 (2021) **EASTERN NC WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.** Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.*

Appropriates \$100,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Commerce (Department) for 2022-23 to study methods for workforce development in eastern NC. Authorizes the hire of consultants. Sets required components of the study, including addressing region-specific means of increasing graduation rates with credentials that translate into employment and living wage earnings, and sectoral partnerships with employers in critical industries. Directs the Department to report to the specified NCGA committees and division by December 1, 2022. Provides for the funds to remain available for the act's purposes.

Appropriates \$41.5 million from the General Fund to the Community Colleges System Office to be allocated to Pitt Community College to construct a new Center for Workforce Development and Innovation.

Intro. by Davis.

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[Business and Commerce, Education, Higher Education, Employment and Retirement, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Community Colleges System Office, Department of Commerce](#)

S 875 (2021) [NEW ECU CENTER FOR TELEMEDICINE](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY TO ESTABLISH THE CENTER FOR TELEMEDICINE AND DIGITAL HEALTHCARE ACCESS AND TO EXPAND THE STATEWIDE TELEPSYCHIATRY PROGRAM.*

Appropriates \$2 million for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the UNC Board of Governors to establish the Center for Telemedicine and Digital Healthcare Access (Center) at East Carolina University (ECU) to deliver patient care and service to unserved and underserved areas, offer education and training for healthcare providers, and enhance research capacity in areas such as clinical outcomes, social determinants of health, implementation, science and technology innovation. Specifies that the funds must be used for four specified purposes, including personnel costs, purchase of space and technology, school telehealth clinics, and administrative costs.

Appropriates \$1 million for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Central Management and Support, Office of Rural Health, to be allocated to the ECU Center for Telepsychiatry and e-Behavioral Health for the statewide telepsychiatry program known as NC-STeP, to expand access to telepsychiatry services through NC-STeP for students and employees at up to four additional UNC constituent institutions.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Davis.

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S 880 (2021) [THE ALLIE PALMER ACT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT CREATING A TRAUMA PREVENTION TASK FORCE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE TASK FORCE.*

Includes whereas clauses.

Enacts GS 130A-33.70, creating the 35-member NC Trauma Prevention Task Force (task force) within the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Enumerates four duties of the task force, including study of the statistical incidences and causes of trauma deaths and injuries in the state, annually reporting to the Governor and NCGA with content as specified, and researching additional roles the State can play in trauma care and prevention. Provides for member qualifications, appointments, and designations; and task force meetings, member terms, expenses, and vacancies. Authorizes the task force to hire staff or contracted consultants and other professionals.

Appropriates \$155,000 in recurring funds from the General Fund to DHHS to be allocated to the task force to discharge its duties.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Davis, Perry, Burgin.

APPROP, GS 130A

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**Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies,
Department of Health and Human Services, Health and
Human Services, Health, Public Health**

S 881 (2021) **RETURNING CITIZENS READY TO WORK**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE EXPANSION OF STATEWIDE LOCAL REENTRY COUNCIL SERVICES*.

Appropriates \$2,261,000 in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety to be allocated in equal amounts to each of the 17 local reentry councils in the state to hire at each local reentry council one permanent, full-time Housing Support Specialist position and one permanent, full-time Support Specialist position.

Appropriates \$3,825,000 in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety to be allocated in equal amounts to each of the 17 local reentry councils in the state to provide reentry rental assistance to individuals served by each council. Provides that these funds do not revert and will be available to each local reentry council to provide reentry rental assistance until the funds are expended.

Appropriates \$867,000 in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety to be allocated in equal amounts to each of the 17 local reentry councils in the state to provide transportation vouchers to individuals on post-release supervision served by each council. Provides that funds do not revert and will be available to each local reentry council to provide transportation vouchers to individuals on post-release supervision until the funds are expended.

Appropriates \$140,000 in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety to contract with Central Piedmont Community College and Fayetteville Technical Community College for the purpose of hiring one full-time Reentry Education Navigator position at each community college to serve the needs of justice-involved students.

Appropriates \$25,000 in nonrecurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety to be allocated to the State Reentry Council Collaborative to develop online professional development modules focused on teaching State agencies, educational institutions, and other nongovernmental stakeholders how best to serve individuals with criminal records.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Mohammed, Fitch, deViere.

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**Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Corrections
(Sentencing/Probation), Development, Land Use and Housing,
Property and Housing, Government, Budget/Appropriations,
State Agencies, Department of Public Safety**

S 882 (2021) **MIDDLE CLASS HOMEOWNER PROTECTION ACT**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO EXPAND THE PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD EXCLUSION TO INCLUDE LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, TO REMOVE THE AGE AND DISABILITY REQUIREMENTS AS CONDITIONS FOR QUALIFICATION UNDER THE PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD CIRCUIT BREAKER, TO INCREASE THE INCOME ELIGIBILITY LIMIT UNDER THE PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD CIRCUIT BREAKER, AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE WORKFORCE HOUSING LOAN PROGRAM AND THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSING TRUST FUND*.

Enacts GS 105-277.1E, establishing the following new property tax exclusion. Designates as a special class of property a permanent residence owned and occupied by a qualifying owner, defined as one who, as of January 1 preceding the taxable year for which the benefit is claimed: received income from one or more local, State, or federal government retirement plans for at least 20 years of creditable service; does not have income above the eligibility limit under GS 105-277.1; a State resident. Excludes the amount of the appraised value of the residence equal to the exclusion amount, which is the portion of appraised value that would result in the property's total tax liability exceeding \$1,000. Bars receiving any other property tax relief in combination with the exclusion. Establishes that an owner does not lose the benefit of exclusion because of a temporary absence from the permanent residence for reasons of health or while confined to a rest home or nursing home, as long as the residence is unoccupied, or occupied by a dependent or the spouse of the owner. Establishes provisions concerning application for residences owned by spouses, and situations where there are multiple owners who are not husband and wife.

Amends GS 105-277.1B, changing the qualifications for a property owner to be eligible for the homestead circuit breaker property tax exclusion provided. Eliminates the age or disability requirement of a qualifying owner under the statute (previously, required age of 65 or total and permanent disability). Expands income eligibility to include owners who have an income for the preceding calendar year of no more than 235% (was, 150%) of the income eligibility limit provided in GS 105-277.1B(c). Regarding property owned by husband and wife, now entitles the owner to the full exclusion if one of them meets the requirements (was, if one of them meets the length of occupancy and ownership and age or disability requirements).

Makes conforming changes to GS 105-277.1 and GS 105-277.1C to exclude receiving tax relief under either of the statutes and new GS 105-277.1E.

Effective for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2022.

Part II.

Appropriates \$35 million in recurring funds from the General Fund to the Housing Finance Agency for 2022-23 for the Workforce Housing Loan Program.

Appropriates \$50 million in additional recurring funds from the General Fund to the Housing Trust Fund for 2022-23 to be administered pursuant to GS Chapter 122E, the North Carolina Housing Trust and Oil Overcharge Act.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Chaudhuri, Batch, Mohammed.

[APPROP, GS 105](#)

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[Development, Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Revenue, Tax](#)

S 883 (2021) [INCOME PROTECTION ACT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO REENACT THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT*.

Reenacts GS 105-151.31, which sunset on January 1, 2014, concerning the earned income tax credit an individual could claim under section 32 of the Internal Revenue Code. Sets the earned income tax credit at 5% (previously, 4.5% for taxable year 2013 and 5% for all other taxable years). Repeals the reenacted statute effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2024. Effective January 1, 2022.

Intro. by Garrett, Batch, Fitch.

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[Government, Tax](#)

S 884 (2021) [UNC TUITION GRANTS FOR CIHS GRADS](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO EXPAND TUITION GRANTS TO ATTEND A CONSTITUENT INSTITUTION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO INCLUDE GRADUATES FROM COOPERATIVE AND INNOVATIVE HIGH SCHOOLS*.

Amends Part 6 of Article 23 of GS Chapter 116 as follows. Changes the name of the Part to Tuition Grant for High School Graduate of Eligible Public Schools. Amends GS 116-209.90 to expand the eligibility for tuition grants to attend a UNC constituent institution to include an eligible graduate of a cooperative and innovative high school in addition to graduates of the NC School of Science and Mathematics and the UNC School of the Arts. Makes conforming and clarifying changes.

Appropriates \$11.5 million in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the UNC Board of Governors to expand tuition grants to attend UNC constituent institutions to include cooperative and innovative high school graduates.

States the NCGA's intent to appropriate the specified amounts in 2023-24, 2024-25, and 2025-26 to award tuition grants for future graduates from cooperative and innovative high schools.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Garrett.

APPROP, GS 116

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Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Higher Education, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, UNC System

S 885 (2021) **PHARMACISTS REIMBURSEMENT/TEST/TREAT**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO ALLOW PHARMACISTS TO TEST AND TREAT FOR CERTAIN ILLNESSES WITH CERTAIN MEDICATIONS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF PHARMACY, TO PROVIDE FOR FAIR AND EQUITABLE REIMBURSEMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES OR PROCEDURES THAT ARE PERFORMED BY A PHARMACIST WITHIN THAT PHARMACIST'S SCOPE OF PRACTICE AND THAT ARE EQUIVALENT TO SERVICES PERFORMED BY OTHER HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE.*

Amends GS 90-85.3A to allow a pharmacist to order and perform a CLIA-waived test to: (1) assist with clinical decision making related to the use and monitoring of medications; and (2) treat influenza, pharyngitis caused by streptococcus, and other health conditions screened by using a CLIA-waived test. Defines CLIA-waived test as a lab test approved by the FDA and determined by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to qualify for a waiver under the federal Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 and safe for use in non-laboratory settings. Effective October 1, 2022.

Intro. by Burgin.

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

S 886 (2021) **UNC HIGH-ACHIEVING TUITION GRANTS**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE TUITION GRANTS FOR HIGH-ACHIEVING HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES TO ATTEND CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.*

Adds new Part 7 to Article 23 of GS Chapter 116, providing as follows.

Defines *high-achieving high school graduate* as a graduate from a *public or nonpublic high school* (as defined) who has completed the minimum educational requirements for admission to The University of North Carolina with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.2, calculated on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent.

Provides that within the funds available, a high-achieving high school graduate in each academic semester who meets the following conditions is eligible for a tuition grant: (1) is a resident for tuition purposes and (2) enrolls as a full-time student in a UNC constituent institution in the next academic year after graduation. Makes students who receive initial tuition grants as a

cohort of a high school graduating class also eligible to apply for tuition grants for subsequent academic semesters for up to five academic semesters in an undergraduate program. Requires continuous enrollment but allows waiving this requirement under specified circumstances.

Sets out guidelines for administering the grants. Sets the grant amount at \$2,500 per semester. Provides for pro rata share of funds when there are not sufficient funds to provide each eligible student with a full tuition grant.

Applies beginning with the 2021-22 school year.

Appropriates \$100 million in recurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the UNC Board of Governors to provide the tuition grants. States the NCGA's intent to appropriate the specified funds in 2023-24 and 2024-25 for awarding the tuition grants.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Mohammed.

APPROP, GS 116

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Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Higher Education, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, UNC System

S 888 (2021) **CODIFY ROE AND CASEY PROTECTIONS**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO CODIFY THE ESSENTIAL HOLDINGS OF ROE V. WADE AND PLANNED PARENTHOOD OF SOUTHERN PA V. CASEY*.

Enacts Article 1M in GS Chapter 90, to be known as "Codify Roe and Casey Protections" providing as follows. Sets out the Article's purpose. Prohibits the State from imposing an undue burden on the ability of a woman to choose whether or not to terminate a pregnancy before fetal viability. Specifies that the State may: (1) restrict the ability of a woman to choose whether or not to terminate a pregnancy after fetal viability, unless termination is necessary to preserve the woman's life or health or (2) enact laws, rules, or regulations, to further the health or safety of a woman seeking to terminate a pregnancy. Defines undue burden to mean any burden that places a substantial obstacle in the path of a woman seeking to terminate a pregnancy before fetal viability. Specifies that the Article does not have an effect on laws regarding conscience protection.

Appropriates \$25,000 for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management as a directed grant to the NC Obstetrical and Gynecological Society to educate providers about this act. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Marcus, Chaudhuri, Murdock.

APPROP, GS 90

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Government, Budget/Appropriations, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers

S 889 (2021) **SUPPORT SICK AND AGING STATE PRISONERS**. Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO DIRECT THE EXPANDED USE OF EXTENDING THE PLACE OF CONFINEMENT POLICIES BY THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TO EXPAND THE ELIGIBILITY FOR THE MEDICAL RELEASE OF INMATES, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT CHRONIC CARE UNITS IN STATE PRISONS AND IMPROVE SCREENING AND TRAINING OF INCOMING PRISON STAFF*.

Appropriates \$6 million for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice for supporting, maintaining, or expanding chronic care units in State prisons.

Appropriates \$4 million for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice for improving the screening and training of incoming State prison staff.

The above is effective July 1, 2022.

Requires that when a State prison is at or above 80% of its maximum occupancy capacity, that the Secretary of Public Safety use their authority to extend the limits of the place of confinement of a prisoner in a manner substantially similar to the manner in which the Secretary used that authority during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Amends GS 15A-1369 by expanding upon the definition of medical release to also include allowing the release of inmates who are incapacitated to the extent that the inmate does not pose a public safety risk. Makes a conforming change to the procedure for medical release in GS 15A-1369.3.

Makes a clarifying change to GS 15A-1369.2.

Intro. by Murdock, Waddell.

APPROP, GS 15A

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**Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Corrections
(Sentencing/Probation), Government, Budget/Appropriations,
State Agencies, Department of Public Safety**

S 890 (2021) [EARNED CREDIT FOR JOBS, ED, AND TREATMENT ACT](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO GIVE PROBATION OFFICERS THE AUTHORITY TO ALLOW OFFENDERS TO REPORT REMOTELY, TO ALLOW JUDGES TO DELEGATE TO PROBATION OFFICERS A LIMITED AMOUNT OF AUTHORITY TO REDUCE TERMS OF SUPERVISED PROBATION, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.*

Enacts GS 15A-1343.4 to authorize probation officers to allow offenders to report remotely to the probation officer to avoid conflicts with the offender's work schedule or class schedule, or allow an offender to report that would otherwise fail or struggle to report in person due to unreliable transportation, illness, physical disability, or emergency. Requires the probation officer to make the determination in each instance that the offender is required to report and issue a written determination to the offender, absent which the offender is to presume in-person reporting is required. Requires remote reporting to include simultaneous, real-time communication by audio and video transmission in which the offender and probation officer can see and hear each other.

Enacts GS 15A-1344.2 to authorize a court to delegate the court's authority to reduce a term of supervised probation, by written order filed with the clerk, when a probation officer finds that an offender is currently in compliance with the terms of the offender's probation and has made diligent progress regarding the offender's probation. Allows revocation at any time, which must be noticed and filed with the clerk as soon as practicable following revocation. Provides grounds and proof that constitute diligent progress regarding the offender's probation, including completion of at least six months of employment demonstrated by proof of wages. Caps reduction of the amount of time the offender was originally required to serve on supervised probation by the probation officer to one-fourth of the original amount regardless of the instances of reduction. Requires reductions by probation officers to be filed as written affidavits with the clerk. Requires the clerk to mail a copy to the offender, and provide a copy to the probation officer. Applies to delegations of court authority effected on or after December 1, 2022.

Appropriates \$50,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction for 2022-23 for educating probation officers, judges and other stakeholder of the changes provided in the act. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Britt, Daniel, Mohammed.

APPROP, GS 15A

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**Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Corrections
(Sentencing/Probation), Government, Budget/Appropriations,
State Agencies, Department of Public Safety**

S 894 (2021) [CONTRACT REFORM/DHHS](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT PROCEDURES FOR CONTRACT REFORM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A POSITION*

TO SUPPORT CONTRACTORS AND GRANTEES WITH REPORTING AND COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS UNDER CERTAIN STATE CONTRACTS.

Provides the following directives for the Department of Health and Human Services regarding its nonprofit contractors and grant recipients. Directs DHHS to allow nonprofit grantees and contractors to automatically activate limited-time extensions up to six months for continuity of services when a formal extension or renewal process has not been completed within 10 business days of the subsequent contract start date. Requires DHHS to use multi-year contracts when allowable by the originating federally-funded grant. Additionally, requires DHHS to set a standard 60-day timeframe to the contract process and require key performance indicators and contract deliverables in contracts to be used for performance monitoring.

Directs DHHS to establish a system of training, continuing education, and certification for agency purchasing and contract monitoring personnel, including ethics training. Requires DHHS to establish and offer training to vendors on applicable laws, rules, regulations, and contract performance monitoring. Grants DHHS rulemaking authority to administer the required trainings. Requires that all DHHS purchase and monitoring personnel receive training and continuing education from the Department of Administration, Division of Purchase and Contract, on procurement rules, including an ethics component provided by the State Ethics Commission. Appears to intend participation in DHHS purchase and contract monitoring is limited to personnel who have received the required training. Limits training requirements for nonprofit contractors or grantees to the extent trainings and meetings are directly related to the services provided under the grant or contract or necessary for the contract's administration.

Requires DHHS to reimburse requests and invoices within 30 days of receipt, requesting feedback as applicable within 10 business days, without which an invoice is deemed valid. Allows charges to be disallowed until resolved if the contractor or grantee does not address DHHS's requested feedback. Establishes that requests for additional information on disputed charges does not interrupt the 30-day contractual payment requirement. Directs DHHS to make payments based on actual expenditures, as defined, pursuant to the approved budget on file.

Sets an interest rate on late or wrongfully withheld payments to nonprofit contractors or grant recipients at 3%, payable within 10 business days of any interest accrued. Establishes that the negotiation, determination, or settlement of the reimbursable amount of overhead under cost-reimbursement type contracts is accomplished on an individual contract basis and is based upon the federally approved indirect cost rate. Adds that for vendors who do not have a federally approved indirect cost rate, in accordance with 2 CFR 200.414(f), the de minimis rate of 10% of modified total direct costs applies. Bars DHHS making material amendments to contracts after execution unless required to comply with changes to federal or state laws.

Establishes the 8-member Advisory Committee on State Contracting with Human Service Provider Nonprofits (committee), consisting of legislatively appointed members. Provides for committee meetings. Directs the committee to update State procurement and contracting procedures and regulations for contracts and grants with human service provider nonprofits. Requires the committee to work with the Department of Administration and the Department of Public Safety. Charges the committee with studying issues related to nonprofit human service providers that contract with DHHS, including two described categories. Requires the committee to annually report to the the Secretary of Administration, specified NCGA leaders and clerks, and the Governor.

Appropriates \$110,000 in recurring funds from the General Fund to DHHS for 2022-23 to fund a support position for contractors and grantees with reporting and compliance requirements for directed grants and contracted awarded under procedures of the act.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Burgin.

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S 900 (2021) [INCREASE FUNDING FOR RAPE VICTIM ASSISTANCE](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAID BY THE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR VICTIMS OF RAPE AND SEX OFFENSES TO A MEDICAL FACILITY OR MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL FOR FORENSIC MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.*

Increases the maximum payments that may be made to medical facilities and medical professional who perform forensic medical exams by the Assistance Program for Victims of Rape and Sex Offenses (Program) pursuant to GS 143B-1200. Provides for maximum payments of \$700 (was \$350) for physicians and sexual assault nurse examiners, and \$500 (was \$250) for hospital or facility fees. Makes conforming adjustments to the total maximum amounts paid by the Program.

Appropriates \$1.1 million in recurring funds from the General Fund to the Department of Public Safety for 2022-23 to be used to administer the Program in accordance with the act.

Effective July 1, 2022, and applies to forensic exams conducted on or after that date.

Intro. by Marcus, Murdock, Mayfield.

APPROP, GS 143B

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[Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Public Safety, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers](#)

S 902 (2021) [REVISE MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSION LAWS](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT PROHIBITING MODIFICATIONS ENABLING ILLEGAL EMISSIONS ON DIESEL-POWERED MOTOR VEHICLES, DEFINING AND CRIMINALIZING "COAL ROLLING," AND REQUIRING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO UNDERGO TRAINING TO DEVELOP THE ABILITY TO PROPERLY IDENTIFY ILLEGAL MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSIONS.*

Identical to [H 1142](#), filed 5/26/22.

Amends GS 20-128, enacting a new subsection to prohibit persons from modifying a diesel-powered motor vehicle with a device that temporarily or permanently enables emission of visible air contaminants that exceeds the limits of state law, or coal rolling. Regarding the required safety inspection of a vehicle's exhaust and emissions control devices pursuant to GS 20-183.3, requires inspections of diesel-powered vehicles to include a determination that the vehicle is not in violation of new GS 20-128(e). Applies to vehicles inspected or due to be inspected on or after October 1, 2022.

Enacts GS 20-128.1A, making it a Class A1 misdemeanor to commit coal rolling. Defines coal rolling as operating a diesel-powered motor vehicle, causing an emission of visible air contaminants with the intent to (1) cause a reasonable person to feel harassed, annoyed, or alarmed; (2) obstruct or obscure another person's view of the roadway or a traffic control device; or (3) create a hazard to a vehicle operator, bicyclist, or pedestrian. Applies to offenses committed on or after December 1, 2022.

Amends GS 17C-6 relating to the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission, and GS 17E-4 relating to the North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission, to require that the minimum training standards established by the Commissions for criminal justice officers and justice offers include training to develop the ability to identify violations of GS 20-128 and GS 20-128.1A, as enacted, with eight hours of such training required annually. Applies to applications for law enforcement certification filed on or after January 1, 2023.

Appropriates \$25,000 from the Highway Fund to the Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles for 2022-23 to implement the act's emission inspections standard and educate the public regarding the act. Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Marcus, Garrett, Mayfield.

APPROP, GS 17C, GS 17E, GS 20

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LOCAL/HOUSE BILLS

H 1103 (2021) [PASQUOTANK COUNTY/CITIZEN REVIEW BOARD](#). Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT ALLOWING PASQUOTANK COUNTY TO DISCLOSE LIMITED PERSONNEL INFORMATION TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PASQUOTANK COUNTY CITIZENS' ADVISORY COUNCIL TO FACILITATE ITS REVIEW OF DISCIPLINARY CHARGES INVOLVING SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES.*

Authorizes the Pasquotank Sheriff, or their designee, to release the disposition of disciplinary charges (as defined in the act) against a Sheriff's deputy and the facts relied upon in determining the disposition to: (1) members of the Citizens' Advisory Council (Council) to review the disciplinary process, and (2) the person alleged to have been aggrieved by the deputy's action or the person's survivor. Requires Council members to adhere to a confidentiality agreement and keep all information released to them confidential; violations of confidentiality are to be prosecuted. Provides that if the Council hears an appeal of a disciplinary case, then the disposition of disciplinary charges and the facts and circumstances of the case may be released by the county manager to the Sheriff or any person whose presence is necessary to the appeal hearing, and requires that person to keep information confidential and violations are to be prosecuted. Requires facts and circumstances to be made available to the deputy.

Intro. by Hunter.

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LOCAL/SENATE BILLS

S 878 (2021) [EVEN-YR ELECTIONS/TOWNS & AMP SAN.DIST./GREENE CO.](#) Filed May 26 2022, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES IN GREENE COUNTY AND THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE MAURY SANITARY LAND DISTRICT BOARD SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.*

Part I.

Amends Section 3.6 of the Charter of the Town of Hookerton (Town), SL 1985-253, to provide for election of the mayor and commissioners in even-numbered years, beginning in 2024 (previously provided for elections in odd-numbered years). Provide for staggered terms for commissioners. Provides for the mayor elected in 2021 to serve until 2024, and the commissioner elected in 2021 to serve until 2026. Prohibits holding a 2023 election. Extends the term of commissioners whose terms are set to expire in 2023 until 2024.

Amends Section 5 of the Charter of the Town of Walstonburg, SL 1913-45, to provide for election of the mayor and commissioners in even-numbered years, beginning in 2024 (previously provided for elections in odd-numbered years). Sets elections for the Tuesday after the first Monday in November (was, the Tuesday after the first Monday in May) pursuant to state municipal election laws. Provides for elections of the mayor and five commissioners (previously, did not state number of commissioners elected). Prohibits elections in 2023. Directs that the mayor and five commissioners whose terms expire in 2023 are extended until 2024. Provides for elections in 2024.

Part II.

Applicable to the Maury Sanitary Land District only, amends GS 163-279 and GS 130A-50 to require sanitary district elections to be held on the same date as general elections in even-numbered years under GS 163-1. Provides for the terms of current board members whose terms expire in 2023 to extend to 2024, and those whose terms expire in 2025 to extend to 2026.

Intro. by Davis.

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[Government, Elections](#)

S 905 (2021) [ALLOW DURHAM COUNTY/PROVIDE EMPLOYEE HOUSING](#). Filed May 27 2022, *AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DURHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION AND DURHAM COUNTY TO PROVIDE AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING FOR TEACHERS, POLICE OFFICERS, FIRST RESPONDERS, AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF DURHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND DURHAM COUNTY.*

Substantively identical to [H 1071](#), filed 5/25/22.

Authorizes the Durham Public School Board of Education (Board) and Durham County (County) to enter into a partnership or similar arrangement to construct, provide, and maintain affordable housing on property owned by the Board or the County. Authorizes the Board and the County to convey their property to such partnership or similar entity for for the narrow purpose of providing affordable housing for Durham Public Schools teachers, sworn law enforcement officers, or other first responders employed by local government entities in the County, as well as Durham Public Schools professional staff if units remain available. Bars the transfer of any property to the partnership or other similar entity created under the act that is acquired on or after the date the act becomes law by eminent domain. Authorizes the Board, the County, or the partnership or similar entity created under the act to contract to finance, construct, or maintain the affordable housing, and enter into residential housing unit lease agreements for housing units owned by the Board or the County, with agreements limited to the teachers and professional staff, local officers and first responders specified. Requires at least 75% of the housing constructed, provided or maintained to be reserved for Durham Public Schools teachers. Places discretion with the Board to establish reasonable rents. Subjects housing under the act to applicable building, health and safety laws and regulations.

Intro. by Woodard, Murdock.

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[Development, Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing, Education, Government, Public Safety and Emergency Management](#)

S 906 (2021) [FUNDS FOR EQUITY BEFORE BIRTH](#). Filed May 27 2022, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO EQUITY BEFORE BIRTH.*

Includes whereas clauses.

Appropriates \$250,000 in nonrecurring funds for 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management to provide a directed grant to Equity Before Birth to supplement the income of mothers in the absence of paid parental leave and to cover the costs of essential services and support.

Effective July 1, 2022.

Intro. by Murdock, Foushee.

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ACTIONS ON BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS

H 79: STUDENT DIGITAL LEARNING ACCESS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

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

H 83: REV. LAWS TECH., CLARIFYING, & ADMIN. CHANGES. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 370: VETERANS EMPLOYMENT ACT. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 911: REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2022.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 1020: CONFIRM REGINA ADAMS/BD OF REVIEW.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Re-ref to Commerce and Insurance. If fav, re-ref to Select Committee on Nominations

H 1021: CONFIRM MYRA GRIFFIN/INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Re-ref to Commerce and Insurance. If fav, re-ref to Select Committee on Nominations

H 1062: LRC/HOUSING OPTIONS FOR ADULTS WITH IDD.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1063: STANTONSBURG/FUNDS FOR TOWN HALL RENOVATION.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1064: WATER/SEWER FUNDS FOR ELM CITY.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1067: PARENT'S RIGHT TO KNOW AND STUDENT WELFARE.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Education - K-12, if favorable, Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1068: UNC CAPITAL PROJECTS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1069: SEND DEATH CERTIFICATE/CO. BD.'S OF ELECTIONS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1072: PROHIBIT KILLING BEARS IN BEAR SANCTUARIES.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 1073: PICKLEBALL PILOT PROGRAM.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1074: CHILD CARE ACT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Finance, if favorable, Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1076: DISABLED VETERANS PROPERTY TAX WAIVER.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1077: VANCE-GRANVILLE COMM. COLL. CAPITAL FUNDING.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1078: MODIFY MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 1079: SOUND BASIC EDUCATION FOR EVERY CHILD.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 1080: PROFESSIONALIZING THE EDUCATION WORKFORCE.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 1081: EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF POWELL BILL FUNDS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1082: INFRASTRUCTURE BANK FEASIBILITY STUDY.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1083: RECOVERY REBATE FOR WORKING FAMILIES ACT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 1084: EMPLOYER PAYMENTS FOR OMITTED MEMBERSHIP SVC.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Pensions and Retirement, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1085: HEALTH CARE PROVIDER/OFF-LABEL USES MEDS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1086: YMCA AND CAMP FUNDING.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1087: MENSTRUAL EQUITY FOR ALL.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1088: COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER GRANTS FOR LARCS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1089: SUPPORT DV VICTIMS/OFFENDER REHABILITATION.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1090: FAMILY MEDICINE LOAN FORGIVENESS PILOT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1091: HOMES FOR HEROES.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1092: STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT ACT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1093: TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY FUNDS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1094: FUNDS FOR GROUP FOSTER CARE HOME PILOT/POLK.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1095: PFAS POLLUTION AND POLLUTER LIABILITY.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Judiciary 1, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1097: EXTENDED LEARNING FOR ELECTIVE COURSES.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Education - K-12, if favorable, Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1098: DISAPPROVE 18E RULES.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Local Government - Land Use, Planning and Development, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1099: JUDICIAL RETIREMENT/SURVIVOR BENEFITS PARITY.-AB

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Pensions and Retirement, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1100: TOWNS OF COLUMBUS & TRYON/FUNDS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1101: PDT PILOT PROGRAM FOR OPIOID USE DISORDER.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1102: NEW ECU CENTER FOR TELEMEDICINE.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1104: FUNDS FOR NC ARTS COUNCIL.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1105: FUNDS TO GRASSROOTS ARTS PROGRAM.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1106: GREENSBORO SCHOOL SUSPENSION SUPPORT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1107: LOCAL CONFINEMENT TECH MODERNIZATION FUND.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1108: ALLOW ABC PERMITS FOR BARS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Alcoholic Beverage Control, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1109: NUCLEAR EVACUATION ROUTE DETERMINATION ACT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Local Government, if favorable, Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1110: MOBILE HOME PARK REGULATION.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Local Government - Land Use, Planning and Development, if favorable, Judiciary 1, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1111: MODERNIZE STI TRANSIT FUNDING.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1112: INCREASE NC BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER FUNDING.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1113: BREAK FREE FROM PLASTICS & FOREVER CHEMICALS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1114: NC AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1115: FUNDS FOR CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1159: ACCESS TO VOTED BALLOTS.

House: Filed

H 1160: PRIVATE MONEY IN ELECTIONS.

House: Filed

S 201: VARIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE/DEALER CHANGES (NEW).

Senate: Special Message Received For Concurrence in H Com Sub

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

S 580: DENTAL PRACTICE ACT REVISIONS/HIE EXEMPTION. (NEW)

Senate: Special Message Received For Concurrence in H Com Sub

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

S 762: NORTH CAROLINA FARM ACT OF 2022.

Senate: Reptd Fav

S 807: STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT ACT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 808: UNC TUITION CHANGES.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 810: FUNDS SALEM STREET BICYCLE CONNECTION.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 811: FUNDS FOR JUSTICE HEIGHTS EXTENSION IN APEX.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 812: HOMES FOR HEROES.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 813: WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 814: FUNDS FOR BRIDGE NAMING.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 816: RET. SVC. PURCHASE/COMPANY POLICE OFFICERS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 818: REDUCED SIZE PLATES/MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 819: RETENTION OF ELECTION VOTING RECORDS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 820: EXPAND INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE IN NC.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 821: DISABLED VETERANS PROPERTY TAX WAIVER.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 822: CLARIFY SILVER ALERT/PERSON WITH DISABILITY.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 823: CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION FUND EXPANSION.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 824: PURPLE HEART SPECIALTY PLATES.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 825: FUNDS/VOLUNTARY HOG FARM BUYOUTS/FLOODPLAIN.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 826: HOMEOWNER SOLAR EXPANSION ACT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 827: FEMININE HYGIENE GRANT PROGRAM.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 828: CHILD ABUSE - POSITIVE DRUG TEST.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 829: DISABLED VETERAN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 830: PFAS FIREFIGHTING FOAM REPLACEMENT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 831: OPIOID OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 832: MENSTRUAL EQUITY FOR ALL.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 833: MAKE ELECTION DAY A STATE HOLIDAY/FUNDS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 834: JMAC PROGRAM EXPANSION.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Commerce and Insurance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 835: A SOUND BASIC EDUCATION.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 836: JORDAN'S LAW.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 837: STATE BAR/INVESTIGATION/ATTY. FEES.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 838: FUNDS FOR CHIN PAGE PUMP STATION.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 839: FUNDS FOR LOWES GROVE AMERICAN LEGION POST.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 840: FUNDS/FARMERS MARKETS AND FOOD HUBS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

LOCAL BILLS

H 1061: CURRITUCK COUNTY GAME COMMISSION/LICENSING.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Local Government, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1065: TOWN OF CLYDE/DEANNEXATION.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Local Government, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1066: CITY OF WILSON COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Energy and Public Utilities, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1070: CAROLINA BEACH NAVIGABLE WATERS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Marine Resources and Aquaculture, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1071: ALLOW DURHAM CTY TO PROVIDE EMPLOYEE HOUSING.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Local Government, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1075: BRYSON CITY/SWAIN COUNTY OCCUPANCY TAX.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Local Government, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1096: SURF CITY DEANNEXATION.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Local Government, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1103: PASQUOTANK COUNTY/CITIZEN REVIEW BOARD.

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Ref to the Com on Judiciary 4, if favorable, Local Government, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 1158: BEECH MOUNTAIN/TREE ORDINANCES.

House: Filed

S 809: WINSTON-SALEM CIVILIAN TRAFFIC INVESTIGATORS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 815: SHELBY/CITY MANAGER APPOINT CITY CLERK.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Ref to State and Local Government. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 817: ELECTRONIC NOTICE - LINCOLN COUNTY.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

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