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PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 321 (2023-2024) [REDUCE MATERNAL MORBIDITY/MORTALITY/MEDICAID](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO REDUCE MATERNAL MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY THROUGH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RATE INCREASES FOR OBSTETRICS MATERNAL BUNDLE PAYMENTS FOR PREGNANCY CARE AND ADDITIONAL MEDICAID ADD-ON RATES AND COVERED SERVICES*.

Requires the Department of Health and Human Services (Department), Division of Health Benefits (DHB) to increase the Medicaid rate paid for obstetrics maternal bundle payments for pregnancy care to at least 71% of the Medicare rate. In order to incentivize the use of group prenatal care visits by Medicaid beneficiaries, requires DHB to develop an add-on rate to the relevant capitated rates or payments that include prenatal care services, to include amounts sufficient to make payments to providers that achieve a level of Medicaid beneficiary participation in group prenatal care visits. Authorizes DHB to determine the level of patient participation required for a provider to receive these provider payments. Permits the provider payments to be used by a provider to establish incentives for Medicaid beneficiary patients to attend group prenatal care visits. Requires the rate increases to be implemented as soon as practicable.

Requires DHB to seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to implement Medicaid coverage of certain healthcare services provided by a doula. Requires DHB to develop the parameters of services to be covered, including: (1) updating applicable clinical coverage policies; (2) developing appropriate reimbursement for covered services provided by a doula; and (3) determining provider credentialing requirements for participation in the NC Medicaid program. Requires the coverage to be implemented as soon as practicable upon approval by CMS. Requires DHB to report to the specified joint NCGA committee on the details of the Medicaid coverage of healthcare services provided by a doula, the specific reimbursement for these services, and the estimated recurring cost to the State of providing this coverage, by no later than March 1, 2024.

Appropriates from the General Fund to DHB \$2,800,000 in recurring funds for each year of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium to implement the Medicaid-related changes outlined above. Specifies that the funds will provide a State match for \$5,500,000 in recurring federal funds for each year of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, and that those federal funds are appropriated to DHB to pay for costs associated with the Medicaid-related changes outlined above. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Willis, Clemmons, Wheatley, Crawford.

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

H 322 (2023-2024) [TRI-SHARE CHILD CARE PILOT FUNDS](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A TRI-SHARE CHILD CARE PILOT PROGRAM TO INCREASE ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY, AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE*.

Requires the Department of Health and Human Services' Division of Child Development and Early Education (Division), in collaboration with the North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. (NCPC), to establish a three-year pilot project to implement the Tri-Share Child Care program, a program that creates a public/private partnership to share the cost of child care equally between employers, eligible employees, and the State to: (1) make high-quality child care affordable and accessible for working families; (2) help employers retain and attract employees; and (3) help stabilize childcare businesses across the State. Clarifies that child care includes part-time and full-time care, before and after school care, and summer day camps.

Directs the Division and NCPC to select up to three local partnerships to serve as regional facilitator hubs (Hubs) to implement and administer the pilot project and act as regional intermediaries between employers, families, child care providers, and the State. Requires that Hubs be selected from geographically diverse areas across the State, with one selected from a tier one county (which has the same designation as that established by the North Carolina Department of Commerce's 2023 County Tier Designations). Defines an eligible employee as an employee (1) who is employed by a participating employer, (2) who has a household income between 185% and 300% of the federal poverty level, and (3) who is not otherwise eligible for subsidized child care in this State. Requires the Hubs to establish and determine program eligibility and other criteria for the child care program, including but not limited to each of the following: (1) ensuring payment for the cost of child care is divided equally between an employer, an eligible employee, and the State; (2) soliciting participating employers; (3) ensuring participating employers agree to (i) identify and recruit eligible employees, (ii) provide the employer portion of each participating employee's child care costs, and (iii) maintain communication with the regional facilitator hub regarding each eligible employee's continued employment and eligibility; (4) verifying that child care providers seeking to participate in the program are licensed in this State; (5) upon determining an employee's eligibility, ensuring payment by the employee of the employee's portion of the cost of child care; (6) coordinating payments between employers and licensed child care providers.

Appropriates from the General Fund to the Division, to be allocated NCPC: \$900,000 for each year of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium and \$900,000 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year to provide the State portion of funding for the Tri-Share child care pilot project established by the act. For the 2025-2026 fiscal year, directs the Director of the Budget to also include in the base budget the amount of nonrecurring funds needed to support the pilot project. Funds appropriated pursuant to this section will be divided evenly in each fiscal year among the Hubs selected to participate in the pilot project. Upon completion of the pilot project, any unexpended funds will revert back to the General Fund. Caps the amount of funding that a Hub may use on administrative costs at 9% of its funding.

Requires the Division to submit a report to the specified NCGA joint committee within six months of completion of the pilot project on the following: the number of children served, by age and county; total project costs, including any administrative costs; the amount of funds needed to expand the program statewide; the list of employers participating in the pilot project; and any other relevant information deemed appropriate.

Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Willis, Clemmons, Hardister, Lofton.

APPROP, STUDY, UNCODIFIED

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**Education, Preschool, Government, State Agencies,
Department of Health and Human Services**

H 323 (2023-2024) **RETAIN ADULT DAY VOC. REHAB. PROGRAMS.** Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO RETAIN ADULT DAY VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.*

Contains whereas clauses.

Prohibits the Department of Health and Human Services from enacting policy that reduces or eliminates services provided at Adult Day Vocational Programs (ADVP) or Community Rehabilitation Programs (CRP) without following procedures related to stakeholder notification and input and appropriately funding an array of services reflecting choice. Instructs the Department of Health and Human Services not to reduce admission to the ADVP or CRP until current services are reviewed and new services are statutory or regulatory approved. Encourages the State's congressional delegation to review US Department of Education rules for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act for negative impacts on State citizens.

Intro. by White, K. Baker, Crawford.

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**Government, State Agencies, Department of Health and
Human Services, Health and Human Services, Adult Services**

H 325 (2023-2024) [KERNERSVILLE ROAD EXTENSION STUDY](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO STUDY THE EXTENSION OF LINVILLE SPRINGS ROAD TO THE MACY GROVE ROAD EXTENSION IN FORSYTH COUNTY*.

Appropriates \$250,000 for 2023-24 from the Highway Fund to the Department of Transportation (DOT) to study the extension of Linville Springs Road to the Macy Grove Road extension in Forsyth County. The study will produce estimated costs, schedule, and other issues. DOT is required to report findings to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee and the Fiscal Research Division by February 1, 2024.

Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Lambeth, K. Hall, Zenger.

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[Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Transportation](#)

H 326 (2023-2024) [NC TIME ZONE/OBSERVE DST ALL YEAR](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE TIME ZONE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO ADOPT DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME YEAR-ROUND IF AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS*.

Enacts Article 8, Standard Time, to GS Chapter 81A. Enacts GS 81A-100, designating the standard time of the State to be the time designated by the US Department of Transportation pursuant to the Uniform Time Act of 1966. Subject to the authorization of Congress, directs the State and its political subdivisions to observe Daylight Saving Time throughout the year.

Directs the Commissioner of Agriculture (Commissioner) to notify the Governor within 60 days of Congressional authorization. Directs the Governor to implement GS 81A-100 by executive order or otherwise upon notification by the Commissioner.

Intro. by Saine, Willis, Warren, K. Hall.

[GS 81A](#)

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[Government, State Government, Local Government](#)

H 327 (2023-2024) [CLARIFY ANIMAL WELFARE STATUTES](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE DANGEROUS DOG LAWS TO PERMIT A CASE-BY-CASE DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER A DOG TRAINED FOR DOG FIGHTING IS DANGEROUS*.

Amends GS 67-4.1 (Dogs, definitions) by removing a dog owned or trained primarily or partially for dog fighting from the definition of a “dangerous dog.”

Amends GS 67-4.5 (Dogs, local ordinances) by requiring local government programs for the control of dangerous dogs to be consistent with the provisions of Article 1A of Chapter 67 of the General Statutes (Dangerous dogs).

Effective October 1, 2023.

Intro. by Harrison, Humphrey, Setzer, Dahle.

[GS 67](#)

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[Animals, Government, Local Government](#)

H 328 (2023-2024) [CENTRAL CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE FUNDS](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CENTRAL CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE*.

Appropriates \$50 million for 2023-24 from the General Fund to the Community Colleges System Office to be allocated to Central Carolina Community College for student programs and supports, capital improvement projects, and other needs.

Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Sauls, Reives.

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[Education, Higher Education, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Community Colleges System Office](#)

H 329 (2023-2024) [FUNDS FOR HISTORIC TOWERS AT GLENCOE VILLAGE](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE RESTORATION OF TWO HISTORIC WATER TOWERS IN THE GLENCOE MILL VILLAGE*.

Appropriates \$150,000 for 2023-24 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to The Historic Preservation Foundation of North Carolina Inc. as title indicates. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Ross, Riddell.

[APPROP, Alamance](#)

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[Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Office of State Budget and Management](#)

H 330 (2023-2024) [SCHOOL ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY APPEALS TO SI](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ALLOW A STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPEAL PANEL DECISION REGARDING THE ELIGIBILITY OF A STUDENT TO PARTICIPATE IN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS TO BE APPEALED TO THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT*.

Adds to GS 115C-407.55(4). Allows for an appeal process through which a student previously found academically ineligible may participate in high school athletics. Requires the State Board of Education's appeals rules to provide for an appeal of the independent appeal board's decision to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, with the Superintendent's making the final decision on the appeal. Allows for a student who was previously found ineligible to participate for the rest of the semester after eligibility is established. Applies beginning with the 2024-25 school year. Requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules for these procedures, consistent with the additional provisions announced in the act.

Beginning January 1, 2023, authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction to make the final decisions about eligibility appeals from the independent appeals board, beginning with the final decisions of the board on or after January 1, 2023. Sets forth the procedure for the Superintendent of Public Instruction for managing appeals. The Superintendent's decision on appeals is final. Applies to all final decisions made by the independent appeal board between January 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024.

Intro. by Shepard.

[GS 115C](#)

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

H 332 (2023-2024) [STREAMLINE COMM./MULTIFAM. BLDG. PLAN REVIEW](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO EXPEDITE THE APPROVAL OF SEALED COMMERCIAL AND MULTIFAMILY BUILDING PLANS BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS*.

Identical to [S 275](#), filed 3/9/23.

Enacts GS 160D-1110.1, requiring local governments to complete review of commercial and multifamily building plans submitted with a permit application sealed by a licensed engineer or licensed architect and issue applicable building permit

decisions within 21 days unless otherwise agreed by the parties. Requires the local government to issue all applicable permits within 15 days after receiving additional requested information or a resubmitted plan with changes from the permit applicant. Authorizes local governments to use and contract with the Department of Insurance (DOI) or contract with licensed engineers or certified architects to perform plan reviews within the timeframe required. Allows the permit applicant to elect to use DOI or hire a licensed engineer or certified architect to review and certify the submitted plans if the local government fails to comply with the established timeframe. Requires the applicant to provide the local government with a written certification signed by the plan review that complies with application Building Codes and applicable State and local laws. Directs the local government to create a form for certification. Requires the local government to issue applicable permits for a project within 72 hours of accepting a completed plan review with certification, and refund or waive all applicable plan review and permit fees upon issuance of the permits. Releases the local government and inspection department from any liabilities, duties, or responsibilities under the Article or in common law arising from plans reviewed and certified by a third-party. Bars a local government from delaying or denying the issuance of applicable permits based on the receipt of requested manufacturer specifications or engineering information on an element, component, or fixture related to submitted plans.

Amends GS 143-151.8 to include persons contracting with a local government or a permit applicant to perform third-party plan reviews under new GS 160D-1110.1(c) in the definition of Code enforcement.

Amends GS 143-151.12 to require DOI to make its marketplace pool of qualified Code-enforcement officials available when requested by a permit applicant under new GS 160D-1110.1(c).

Amends GS 143-151.13 to allow a licensed architect or licensed engineer who is not employed by the State or a local government to use a standard certificate, which authorizes practice as a qualified Code-enforcement official based on the license held, to perform third-party plans reviewed under GS 160D-1110.1(b) and (c).

Applies to permit applications submitted on or after October 1, 2023.

Intro. by Zenger, Johnson, Tyson, Potts.

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Development, Land Use and Housing, Land Use, Planning and Zoning, Government, State Agencies, Department of Insurance, Local Government

H 333 (2023-2024) **RESTORE STATE EMP/TEACHER RETIREE MED BENEFIT**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO PREVENT THE ELIMINATION OF RETIREE MEDICAL BENEFITS FOR MEMBERS FIRST EARNING SERVICE UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, OR THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAMS, ESTABLISHED UNDER G.S. 135-5.1 AND G.S. 135-5.4, ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021.*

Repeals subsections (c) and (d) of Section 35.21 of SL 2017-57, as title indicates. Effective retroactively to December 31, 2020.

Intro. by Crawford, Gill, Reives.

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Employment and Retirement, Government, State Government, State Personnel

H 335 (2023-2024) **NO PRIVILEGE TAX FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONS**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ELIMINATE CERTAIN PRIVILEGE TAXES.*

Identical to [S 182](#), filed 3/1/23.

Repeals GS 105-41, which requires personal privilege licenses for specified professions, (attorneys, physicians, dentists, veterinarians and others who practice a professional art of healing, professional engineers, registered land surveyors, architects,

landscape architects, architects, photographers, real estate brokers, real estate appraisers, persons who solicit or negotiate loans on real estate for another, funeral directors, and individuals licensed under the Home Inspector Licensure Act). Makes conforming changes to GS 53-191 (pertaining to businesses exempted from the North Carolina Consumer Finance Act) and GS 105-88(b) (pertaining to loan agencies) to remove statutory reference to GS 105-41.

Repeals GS 93-12(12), which pertains to annual submission of a list of the names of all persons who are qualified as Certified Public Accountants and accountants under State law to the Secretary of Revenue and requiring personal privilege licenses issued under GS 105-41 to include such designation.

Effective for taxes imposed for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2024.

Intro. by Tyson.

[GS 53, GS 93, GS 105](#)

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[Business and Commerce, Government, Tax](#)

H 336 (2023-2024) [HEALTHY STUDENTS - A NURSE IN EVERY SCHOOL](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO REQUIRE AT LEAST ONE SCHOOL NURSE IN EVERY SCHOOL IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIT BEGINNING IN THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR AND TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO MEET THAT REQUIREMENT.*

Identical to [S 263](#), filed 3/9/23.

Includes whereas clauses.

Amends GS 115C-47 to require local boards of education to ensure that each school within the unit is staffed by at least one full-time, permanent school nurse.

Amends GS 115C-12 to require the State Board of Education (State Board) to ensure that schools operating under the State Board's control are staffed by at least one full-time, permanent school nurse.

Amends GS 115C-218.75, GS 115C-238.66, and GS 116-239.8 to require charter schools, regional schools, and lab schools to staff at least one full-time, permanent school nurse.

Applies beginning with the 2023-24 school year.

Appropriates \$100 million in recurring funds from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction for 2023-24 to increase the Instructional Support Allotment to be used to increase positions for school nurses to meet the act's requirements. Specifies that the funds are supplemental to funds provided for school nurses.

Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Ball, Lambeth, White, Staton-Williams.

[APPROP, GS 115C, GS 116](#)

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[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Employment and Retirement, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Public Instruction, State Board of Education, Health and Human Services, Health](#)

H 337 (2023-2024) [2023 APPROPRIATIONS ACT](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS.*

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Intro. by Saine, Lambeth, Arp, Brisson.

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H 338 (2023-2024) [LIFETIME CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ISSUANCE OF LIFETIME CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMITS*.

Amends GS 14-415.10 (definitions section for concealed handgun permits) to add definition for *fixed duration permit* and *lifetime permit*. Modifies the definition of *permit* to now account for both types of concealed handgun permits - fixed duration permits and lifetime permits. Makes organizational changes. Makes conforming change to GS 17C-6 and GS 14-269 to account for renumbering of definitions.

Amends GS 14-415.11 (scope of concealed handgun permits) to specifically refer to fixed duration permits in those parts of the statute that reference an expiration date for the permit. Specifies that a lifetime permit is valid throughout the State until revoked or surrendered. Requires any permit holder to notify the sheriff in the county where they reside of any change of address (currently, holder must notify the sheriff who issued the permit of a change of address).

Amends GS 14-415.14(a) (pertaining to the permit application forms) to require permit applications to indicate the type of permit sought.

Amends GS 14-415.16 (pertaining to renewal of concealed handgun permits) to limit the renewal provisions to fixed duration permits. Allows renewal applicants to indicate whether the permit holder would like the renewal to be for a fixed duration permit or a lifetime permit.

Makes conforming changes to GS 14-415.16A (permit extension and renewals for deployed military permittees) to make the provisions applicable to fixed duration permits only.

Enacts GS 14-415.16B to allow for lifetime permit holders to submit an application at any time to have that permit reissued as a fixed duration permit. Specifies application requirements, including submission and review.

Amends GS 14-415.17 (pertaining to the sheriff's list of concealed handgun permit holders) to refer to both types of permits. States certificate requirements of permits with regard to type and expiration. Specifies that a sheriff must submit any changes of address for permit holders to the State Bureau of Investigation for inclusion in the statewide system.

Amends GS 14-415.18 (pertaining to reasons why a permit may be revoked) to authorize revocation when a person is no longer a resident of the State. Limits the scope of what may be appealed to the revocation of a permit (currently, revocation and nonrenewal are able to be appealed).

Amends GS 14-415.19 (permit fees) to include reissuance fees. Makes conforming changes.

Effective December 1, 2023.

Intro. by Adams, Kidwell.

[GS 14, GS 17C](#)

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[Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Government, Public Safety and Emergency Management](#)

H 339 (2023-2024) [SUPPORT MALE SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO CREATE THE SUPPORT MALE SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE GRANT PROGRAM AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS*.

Establishes the Support Male Survivors of Domestic Violence Program (Program) within the State Treasury. Specifies that the Program be administered by the North Carolina Council for Women and Youth Involvement (Council). Directs that the Program must make grants to centers, shelters, and other organizations serving survivors of domestic violence for the purpose of developing, maintaining, or expanding services for male survivors of domestic violence. Beginning July 1, 2024, allows up to 25% of the remaining grant funds to be distributed to centers, shelters, and other organizations serving survivors of domestic

violence for the purpose of raising public awareness of issues surrounding domestic violence against male persons. Requires the Council to allow eligible centers, shelters, and organizations to apply at least quarterly for grant funds and to make determinations regarding grant program applications within 90 days of (1) each application deadline or (2) the receipt of each application if there is no application deadline. Specifies that the Program is to be administered in accordance with the provisions of the State Budget Act. Defines eligible grant applicants as a center, shelter, or other organization that is a nonprofit corporation or a local governmental entity. Sets limit of \$250,000 award to a grantee per fiscal year that the grants are distributed.

Requires the Council to establish procedures and criteria for grant awards from the Program. Requires the Council to make final decisions and to publicly announce the award in a timely manner. Requires an annual report to the specified NCGA committee, committee chairs, and division.

Appropriates from the General Fund to the Department of Administration, Council, \$1 million in nonrecurring funds for the 2023-2024 fiscal year to be used for the Program. Specifies that the funds do not revert but remain available for expenditure by the Council for the purposes set forth above.

Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Roberson, Logan, Gill, T. Brown.

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Courts/Judiciary, Civil, Family Law, Government, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, Department of State Treasurer, Health and Human Services, Health, Public Health

H 340 (2023-2024) **MEDICAID CHILDREN & FAMILIES SPECIALTY PLAN**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SPECIALTY PLAN AS AN ADDITIONAL MEDICAID MANAGED CARE PLAN AND MAKING OTHER CHANGES TO RELATED STATUTES GOVERNING MEDICAID MANAGED CARE*.

Identical to [S 156](#), filed 2/23/23.

Section 1

Requires the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to issue a request for proposals (RFP) to procure a single statewide child and families (CAF) specialty plan contract with services beginning by December 1, 2024. Makes the RFP subject to new GS 108D-62 (discussed below). Requires DHHS to define the services available under the CAF specialty plan and the Medicaid and NC Health Choice beneficiaries who are eligible to enroll in the CAF specialty plan. Defines the CAF specialty plan as it is defined in GS 108D-1 (a statewide capitated prepaid health plan contract under the Medicaid transformation demonstration waiver that meets all of the requirements of Article 4 of GS Chapter 108D, including the requirements pertaining to the CAF specialty plan, but excluding the requirements only pertaining to BH IDD tailored plans). Requires DHHS to request approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to require that a child automatically enrolled in the children and families specialty plan may not elect to enroll instead in a standard benefit plan or behavioral health and intellectual/development disabilities tailored plan unless doing so is in the child's best interest.

Section 2

Amends and adds to the defined terms set forth in GS 108D-1, applicable to the Chapter, which governs Medicaid and NC Health Choice Managed Care Programs. Adds and defines children and families specialty plan or CAF specialty plan, as defined above. Makes conforming changes to the definition of behavioral health and intellectual/development disabilities tailored plan or BH IDD tailored plan. Amends the definitions provided for prepaid health plans (PHPs) and standard benefit plans to account for PHP contracts to operate CAF specialty plans in addition to BH IDD tailored plans.

Section 3 and 7

Revises and adds to the population categories exempt from capitated PHP contracts coverage for Medicaid and NC Health Choice program aid under GS 108D-40. Regarding the exempt category described in subdivision (a)(12) for recipients with a

serious mental illness, a serious emotional disturbance, a severe substance use disorder, an intellectual/developmental disability, or who have survived a traumatic brain injury and who are receiving traumatic brain injury services, who are on the waiting list for the Traumatic Brain Injury waiver, or whose traumatic brain injury otherwise is a knowable fact, until BH IDD tailored plans become operational, at which time this population will be enrolled with a BH IDD tailored plan, revises the option for the described population from voluntarily enrolling with a PHP subject to the specified conditions, to provide for the option to voluntarily enroll with PHP operating a standard benefit plan, with access limited to the plan's covered behavioral health services, except as provided for recipients being served through the Community Alternatives Program for Disabled Adults (CAP/DA) under subdivision (a)(11). Eliminates the exclusion of coverage under subdivision (a)(13)c. for recipients who are enrolled in the foster care system, receiving Title IV-E adoption assistance, under the age of 26 and formerly were in the foster care system, or under the age of 26 and formerly received adoption assistance, for a time determined by DHHS of up to 5 years after the capitated PHP contracts begin. Enacts a new exclusion for recipients who, until the CAF specialty plan becomes operational, are: (1) children enrolled in foster care in this State, (2) receiving adoption assistance, or (3) former foster care youth until they reach the age of 26. Provides that when the CAF specialty plan becomes operational, these recipients will be enrolled in accordance with new GS 108D-62. Makes conforming changes.

Amends GS 108D-5.3 to allow enrollees within the described groups to request disenrollment from a PHP (was, allowed to disenroll) at any time. Revises the groups to include beneficiaries who are described in new GS 108D-40(a)(14), and amended GS 108D-40(a)(12). Eliminates inclusion of beneficiaries who are in the former foster care Medicaid eligibility category and those who receive Title IV-E adoption assistance.

Section 4 and 5

Enacts GS 108D-24, requiring the entity operating the CAF specialty plan to develop and maintain a closed network of providers only for the provision of intensive in-home services, multisystemic therapy, residential treatment services, and services provided in private residential treatment facilities. Provides that a closed network is the network of providers that have contracted with the entity operating the CAF specialty plan to furnish these services to enrollees.

Amends GS 108D-22, which requires each PHP to develop and maintain a provider network that meets access to care requirements for its enrollees, to except the CAF specialty plan networks set out in new GS 108D-24 in addition to the existing exception for the BH IDD tailored plan networks set out in GS 108D-23.

Section 6

Amends GS 108D-35 to require all capitated PHP contracts to cover substance abuse comprehensive outpatient treatment program services, substance abuse intensive outpatient program services, and social setting detoxification services. Adds to Medicaid services capitated contracts are prohibited from covering to include those covered by LME/MCOs under an approved 1915(i) waiver.

Section 8

Corrects a statutory cross-reference in GS 108D-45, to refer to the nature of contracts for standard benefit plans required under GS 108D-65(6) (was, GS 108D-65(3)). Eliminates the exemption for the statute's limitation on the number of contracts for BH IDD tailored plans described in GS 108D-60.

Section 9

Amends GS 108D-60, governing BH IDD tailored plans, to revise subdivision (a)(10), which requires automatic enrollment with an entity operating a BH IDD tailored plan for recipients described in GS 108D-40(a)(12), to now exclude recipients also described in new GS 108D-40(a)(14) who are to be enrolled under GS 108D-62, as enacted. Enacts a new subdivision, (a)(11), to exclude recipients described in GS 108D-40(a)(12) from having an option to voluntarily enroll with a PHP operating a standard benefit plan or the CAF specialty plan while receiving services offered to: recipients enrolled in the Innovations waiver; recipients enrolled in the Traumatic Brain Injury waiver; recipients residing in or receiving respite services at an intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities; recipients enrolled in and being served under Transitions to Community Living; and recipients receiving State-funded residential services, including group living, family living, supported living, and residential supports. Allows DHHS to contract with entities operating BH IDD tailored plans under a capitated or other arrangement for the management of behavioral health, intellectual and developmental disability, and traumatic brain injury services for any recipients who are not enrolled in a BH IDD tailored plan or the CAF specialty plan (was, for any recipients excluded from PHP coverage under the specified provisions).

Section 10

Enacts GS 108D-62, defining CAF specialty plan and setting forth nine defined terms for the statute. Establishes the following requirements of a CAF specialty plan: requiring plans to result from RFPs issued by DHHS submitted by eligible PHPs under contract with DHHS; requiring operating entities to authorize, pay for, and manage all Medicaid and NC Health Choice services covered under the plan; requiring operating entities to operate care coordination functions and provide whole-person, integrated care across healthcare and treatment settings and foster care placements for enrollees; requiring operating entities to be the single point of care management accountability; and requiring DHHS to establish requirements for CAF specialty plan operations that address four considerations, including continuity of care and support across health care settings, changes in placement, and when the child transitions into the former foster youth Medicaid eligibility category. Requires the CAF specialty plans to cover the behavioral health, intellectual and developmental disability, and traumatic brain injury services excluded from standard benefit plan coverage under GS 108D-35(1), excluding five listed services, including innovation waiver services and Traumatic Brain Injury waiver services.

Describes six categories of Medicaid and NC Health Choice recipients eligible for CAF specialty plan enrollment, including recipients described in new GS 108D-40(a)(14) and their children, for as long as the parent remains enrolled unless they elect otherwise; adults identified on an open child protective services in-home family services agreement case and any minor children living in the same home; adults identified in an open Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Department of Public Health and Human Services Family Safety program case and any children living in the same home; the minor siblings of a child in foster care who lived in the same home as that child at the time of the child's removal and with whom household reunification efforts are ongoing; recipients who have a child temporarily in foster care who meet three specified criteria; and any other recipients who have had involvement with the child welfare system and whom DHHS has determined would benefit from enrollment in the CAF specialty plan. Establishes three categories of recipients excluded from the CAF specialty plan, including recipients who are excluded from PHP coverage under GS 108D-40(a).

Establishes CAF specialty plan enrollment is voluntary except as follows. Provides for automatic enrollment in the CAF specialty plan of recipients described in GS 108D-40(a)(14) and their children unless they are also recipients who have a child temporarily in foster care and meet the three described criteria, whereby enrollment is voluntary. Requires recipients eligible to enroll in the CAF specialty plan have the option to enroll with a PHP operating a standard benefit plan or, if eligible under GS 108D-40(a)(12), a BH IDD tailored plan, and specifies the effects of such enrollment. Allows for recipients enrolled in foster care, as described in GS 108D-40(a)(14)(i), who exit the custody of the county department of social services to elect to remain enrolled in the CAF specialty plan for 12 months after the date the recipient exits custody. Allows, in the case of recipients who achieve reunification, a parent, a caretaker relative, a custodian, a guardian, or a minor sibling with whom the recipient reunifies to elect to remain enrolled in the CAF specialty plan as long as the recipient remains enrolled.

Section 11

Amends GS 122C-3, which sets forth defined terms for the Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Act, adding CAF specialty plan to the Chapter's defined terms. Amends LME/MCO to provide for capitated PHP contracts under Article 4, GS Chapter 108D, as amended (rather than only specifying BH IDD tailored programs under the Article).

Section 12

Amends GS 122C-115 to require, beginning on July 1, 2021, that LME/MCOs cease managing Medicaid services for recipients who are enrolled in a standard benefit plan. Makes conforming changes.

Section 13

Enacts GS 122C-115.5, authorizing an area authority to operate a CAF specialty plan under contract with DHHS so long as the area authority has a statewide catchment. Prohibits counties from withdrawing from or declining to participate in the statewide catchment area of the CAF specialty plan.

Intro. by Lambeth, Loftis, Potts, Sasser.

[GS 108D, GS 122C](#)

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

**Insurance, Mental Health, Social Services, Child Welfare,
Public Assistance**

H 341 (2023-2024) **TS FRED UNEXPENDED FUNDS/WILDFIRES**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ALLOW UNENCUMBERED FUNDS FOR TROPICAL STORM FRED TO BE USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES FOR WILDFIRE DAMAGE RECOVERY, RELIEF, AND PLANNING*.

Of the funds allocated for relief and recovery efforts from Tropical Storm Fred under Section 5.9A(c)(2), SL 2021-180 that are unencumbered and unexpended, authorizes the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) to use (1) \$3.2 million for overtime and expenses related to suppression and rehabilitation actions associated with specified wildfires in Hyde, Pender, and Robeson Counties; and (2) \$800,000 for anticipated fires in the spring or summer of 2023. Exempts the act from the reversion and reporting requirements under Sections 5.9A(e) and (l) of SL 2021-180.

Intro. by Dixon.

APPROP, Hyde, Pender, Robeson

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**Environment, Environment/Natural Resources, Government,
Budget/Appropriations, Public Safety and Emergency
Management, State Agencies, Department of Agriculture and
Consumer Services**

H 342 (2023-2024) **EXTEND CHILD CARE COMPENSATION GRANTS**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO EXTEND THE COMPENSATION GRANTS PORTION OF THE STABILIZATION GRANTS FOR CHILD CARE CENTERS*.

Appropriates from the General Fund \$300 million in non-recurring funds to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development and Early Education for 2023-24 to extend compensation grants of the stabilization grants for child care centers authorized in SL 2021-25. Requires original federal funds for compensation grants to be disbursed before any State funds for this purpose. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Willis, Clemmons, Lambeth, Loftis.

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**Education, Preschool, Government, State Agencies,
Department of Health and Human Services**

H 343 (2023-2024) **INCREASE RATES/SET FLOOR/CHILD CARE SUBSIDY**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO INCREASE CHILD CARE SUBSIDY RATES TO THOSE IN THE 2021 MARKET RATE STUDY, WITH AUTOMATIC INCREASES UPON COMPLETION OF SUBSEQUENT NEW STUDIES, TO IMPLEMENT TEMPORARY MARKET RATE INCREASES, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THOSE PURPOSES*.

Identical to [S 288](#), filed 3/9/23.

Requires the Department of Health and Human Services (Department), Division of Child Development and Early Education (DCEE) to increase the child care subsidy market rates to the seventy-fifth percentile as recommended by the 2021 Child Care Market Rate Study for children in three-, four-, and five-star-rated child care centers and homes beginning October 1, 2023. Requires DCEE to automatically increase the child care subsidy rates to the seventy-fifth percentile of those recommended rates beginning July 1 of the next fiscal year when new rates are recommended in subsequent market rate studies. Appropriates from the General Fund to DCEE, \$24 million in recurring funds for the 2024-25 fiscal year to implement the market rate increases. Amends Section 9L.2(b)(1)a of SL 2021-180, as amended (pertaining to the appropriation of certain funds to the DCEE for child care subsidies), to provide for the child care subsidy rate increase to meet the rates recommended in the 2021 Child Care Market Rate Study through the end of the 2023-24 fiscal year or until funds are exhausted, whichever occurs first (was, to meet the rates of the 2018 Child Care Market Rate Study until the funds expire on September 30, 2024).

Beginning October 1, 2023, sets provisions of payment rates for childcare providers in counties that have a county rate below the State rate for center-based and home-based care as follows: (1) as a general rule, payment rates are set at the seventy-fifth percentile of the statewide market rate as recommended by the 2021 Child Care Market Rate Study for children birth through 5 years of age for licensed child care centers and homes; and, (2) if it can be demonstrated that the application of the statewide rate to a county with fewer than 50 children in each age group is lower than the county market rate and would inhibit the ability of the county to purchase child care for low-income children, then the county market rate can be applied. Appropriates from the General Fund to DCEE \$14 million in recurring funds for the 2023-24 fiscal year and \$85 million in recurring funds for the 2024-25 fiscal year to implement the temporary market rate increases set forth above.

Specifies the intent of the NCGA to use a portion of the anticipated increase in funds to the Child Care and Development Fund Block Grant to supplement funding for the child care market rate increases described above.

Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Willis, Clemmons, Lambeth, Wheatley.

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Education, Preschool, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services

H 344 (2023-2024) **QRIS/STAR RATING SYSTEM REFORM**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO EXTEND THE EXPIRATION DATE TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND TO REQUIRE THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD CARE COMMISSION TO COMPLETE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STAR-RATING SYSTEM REFORM AND REPORT THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.*

Amends Section 2 of SL 2021-127 to have the Division of Child Development and Early Education (Division), when evaluating child care centers for quality rating improvement system "education points," to lower their percentage threshold from 75% to 50% of lead teachers having met the requirements for the facility to obtain credit towards its rating until June 30, 2026 (was, June 30, 2023) if the facility's percentage threshold for its lead teachers was 75%. Makes a conforming change to the act's effective date provision.

Amends Section 3 of SL 2021-127 to have Section 1 of the session law expire on June 30, 2024, instead of expiring six months after revocation of governor's declaration of emergency due to COVID-19 (Section 1 prohibits the Division, when it resumes environmental rating scale (ERS) (star rating) assessments, from requiring a licensed child care facility to undergo an ERS assessment if conducting the assessment would cause the child care facility to lose a star rating due to (1) the facility's loss in educators who enabled the facility to meet the star-rating requirements and (2) its inability to replace those educators, within a reasonable period of time, with individuals having similar levels of education).

Requires the North Carolina Child Care Commission (Commission) to complete recommendations for quality rating improvement system (QRIS/Star-Rating System) reform by March 31, 2024, and submit its QRIS reform recommendations to the specified joint NCGA committee before the 2024 Legislative Session begins. Requires the Commission's QRIS reform recommendations to include accreditations from national early childhood education (ECE) accreditation organizations as an alternative pathway for licensed child care programs to earn a star rating equivalent to each accreditation's standards, including accreditations from any of seven specified organizations.

Intro. by Willis, Clemmons, Lambeth, Jeffers.

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Education, Preschool

H 345 (2023-2024) **STUDENT TAX REDUCTION (STAR) ACT**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE TAX BURDEN ON STUDENT DEBT RELIEF.*

Amends GS 105-153.5(c2) (pertaining to decoupling adjustments in determining modifications to adjusted gross income) to delete decoupling provision related to discharge of certain student loans. Effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2023.

Intro. by Ball, Buansi, Clemmons, Hawkins.

GS 105

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Government, Tax

H 346 (2023-2024) **REORGANIZATION & AMP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR A HOSPITAL SERVICE CORPORATION TO REORGANIZE BY CREATING A NONPROFIT HOLDING CORPORATION*.

Enacts a new Part 3, nonprofit holding corporations, to Article 64 of GS Chapter 58 (pertaining to hospital service corporations). Sets forth definitions of *affiliate*, *executive officer*, *subsidiary*, and *ultimate controlling person*.

Defines *reorganization* as a transaction or series of transactions in which a nonprofit holding corporation is created by or on behalf of a hospital service corporation to hold, directly or indirectly, membership interests in the hospital service corporation and becomes the ultimate controlling person of the hospital service corporation.

Defines *nonprofit holding corporation* as a domestic corporation formed in connection with a reorganization and operating under GS Chapter 55A (the North Carolina Nonprofit Corporation Act [NCNCA]) that directly or indirectly holds all the membership interests in a hospital service corporation and is the ultimate controlling person of the hospital service corporation. Specifies that a nonprofit holding corporation is not (1) a "company," "insurance company," or "insurer," as those terms are defined in GS 58-1-5, or (2) a "hospital service corporation," as defined in GS 58-65-1.1.

Permits a hospital service corporation by action of its governing board to authorize a reorganization and propose corresponding amendments to its charter. Provides a procedure for submission of proposed amendments to the Commissioner of Insurance (Commissioner) for their approval within 30 days of receipt. Requires Commissioner to evaluate the amendments against the requirements of the newly enacted Part 3 to Article 46 of Chapter 58 and the requirements set forth in GS Chapter 55A (NCNCA) and to reject amendments that are not in compliance with those statutory requirements. Specifies that any other provision of Article 64 relating to charter amendments is not applicable here.

Enacts GS 58-65-177, pertaining to reorganization, as follows. Allows reorganization to include transfers, by dividend or otherwise, of property, assets, rights, liabilities, equity or ownership interests in subsidiaries or other owned business entities, and other interests between the hospital service corporation and the nonprofit holding corporation and any other subsidiaries of the nonprofit holding corporation, and other related transactions. Authorizes a hospital service corporation to have a nonprofit holding corporation as its ultimate controlling person. Clarifies that a reorganization is considered an internal restructuring that does not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the hospital service corporation. States that a reorganization is not to be considered a change of control of the hospital service corporation and is not subject to the provisions of GS 58-19-15 (governing acquisition of or merger with domestic insurer). Incorporates definition of insurer as set forth in GS 58-19-5 to the subsection. Specifies that as part of a reorganization, a hospital service corporation may transfer, by dividend or otherwise, of property, assets, rights, liabilities, equity or ownership interests in subsidiaries or other owned business entities, and other interests between the hospital service corporation and the nonprofit holding corporation and any other subsidiaries of the nonprofit holding corporation, and other related transactions. Clarifies that compliance with GS 58-19-30 and the act are the only means of approval to permit a reorganization. Specifies that the provisions of GS 58-19-10(b) (investments of domestic insurers), GS 58-65-131 (pertaining to conversion plans for hospital service corporations), 58-65-132 (approval of conversion plans for hospital service corporations), and 58-65-133 (pertaining to creation and operation foundations for hospital service corporation) do not apply to a reorganization.

Prohibits a director, officer, or employee of the hospital service corporation from receiving any fee, commission, additional compensation, or other valuable consideration for aiding, promoting, or assisting in a reorganization, except for compensation paid in the ordinary course of business.

Enacts GS 58-65-181 (pertaining to operation of nonprofit holding corporation and subsidiaries). Specifies that a nonprofit holding corporation is not subject to the remainder of Article 65 or Article 66 (Hospital Service Corporation Readable Insurance Certificates Act) of GS Chapter 58. Specifies that after reorganization, a nonprofit holding company must remain a nonprofit corporation and the ultimate controlling person of the hospital service corporation. Specifies that these requirements do not apply if a plan of conversion of the hospital service corporation is approved under 58-65-131, GS 58-65-132, or GS 58-65-133 (all pertaining to conversion plans).

Clarifies that a nonprofit holding corporation and its direct or indirect subsidiaries that are not hospital service corporations or subsidiaries of hospital service corporations are not subject to GS 58-65-131, 58-65-132, or 58-65-133, and the actions of the nonprofit holding corporation and such subsidiaries will not constitute or require a conversion of the hospital service corporation under those sections or any other law of this State.

Specifies that no equity or ownership interest in the nonprofit holding corporation or any of its subsidiaries will be granted to any executive officer or any member of the governing board of the nonprofit holding corporation or the hospital service corporation.

Enacts GS 58-65-183 as follows. Specifies that a reorganization does not change: (1) the legal form of the hospital service corporation or (2) the hospital service corporation's license to do business in North Carolina. Requires that any subscribers' contracts and certificates issued by the hospital service corporation shall remain in full force and effect.

Specifies that the hospital service corporation shall continue to be subject to Articles 65 and 66 of GS Chapter 58 except for the following: (1) a reorganization will not constitute or require a conversion of the hospital service corporation pursuant to GS 58-65-131, 58-65-132, and 58-65-133 or any other law of this State; (2) a reorganization will not require the nonprofit holding corporation, hospital service corporation, or any affiliate of either to make any distribution or payment to any person or entity. Specifies that the subdivision does not apply to distributions or payments between a nonprofit holding corporation or hospital service corporation and any of its affiliates; (3) the hospital service corporation may make and pay direct or indirect dividends or distributions to the nonprofit holding corporation. Specifies that 58-19-10(b), 58-65-131, 58-65-132, and 58-65-133 don't apply to such dividends or distributions, provided that such dividends or distributions comply with GS 55A-13-02 (authorized distributions of nonprofit corporation), GS 58-7-130 (dividends and distributions to stockholders), GS 58-19-25(d) (registration of insurers), and GS 58-19-30 (standards and management of an insurer within an insurance holding company); (4) if the hospital service corporation undertakes a conversion pursuant to GS 58-65-131, 58-65-132, and 58-65-133 at any time following a reorganization, then, for the purposes of that conversion, the references in GS 58-65-131, 58-65-132, and 58-65-133 to "fair market value of the corporation" or "value of the corporation" mean the fair market value of the nonprofit holding corporation.

Intro. by Bradford, Setzer, Reives, Bell.

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**Business and Commerce, Corporation and Partnerships,
Insurance, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care
Facilities and Providers, Nonprofits**

PUBLIC/SENATE BILLS

S 174 (2023-2024) **REV. LAWS TECH., CLARIFYING, & ADMIN. CHNGS.** Filed Feb 28 2023, *AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE REVENUE LAWS.*

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

Part V.

Further amends GS 105-242(c) relating to the enforcement period of a certificate of tax liability to provide that the enforcement period can be tolled (was, is tolled) during the taxpayer's absence from the State plus one year after the taxpayer returns.

Intro. by P. Newton, Perry, Rabon.**GS 105, GS 119**[View summary](#)**Business and Commerce, Corporation and Partnerships,
Government, State Agencies, Department of Revenue, Tax**

S 259 (2023-2024) **FUNDS FOR CHIN PAGE LIFT STATION**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW CHIN PAGE RTP REGIONAL LIFT STATION*.

Appropriates \$22 million for 2023-24 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to Durham County for the construction of a new Chin Page RTP regional lift station. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Murdock, Woodard.**APPROP, Durham**[View summary](#)**Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Office of
State Budget and Management**

S 260 (2023-2024) **FUNDS FOR TRIANGLE WASTEWATER PLANT**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO UPGRADE THE TRIANGLE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT*.

Appropriates \$25 million for 2023-24 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to Durham County for upgrades to the Triangle Wastewater Treatment Plant (TWWTP). Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Murdock, Woodard.**APPROP, Durham**[View summary](#)**Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Office of
State Budget and Management**

S 261 (2023-2024) **FUNDS TO REPAIR ORPHAN ROADS IN DURHAM COUNTY**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE REPAIR AND IMPROVEMENT OF VARIOUS ORPHAN ROADS IN DURHAM COUNTY*.

Appropriates \$500,000 for 2023-24 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to Durham County for the repair and improvement of various orphan roads in non-municipal areas of the County, allowing the Department of Transportation to accept these roads for State maintenance. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Murdock, Woodard.**APPROP, Durham**[View summary](#)**Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies,
Department of Transportation, Office of State Budget and
Management**

S 262 (2023-2024) **FUNDS/DURHAM JUVENILE DETENTION CTR**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY AND ASSESSMENT CENTER IN DURHAM COUNTY*.

Appropriates \$15 million for 2023-24 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to Durham County for the construction of a new 36-bed juvenile detention facility and assessment center. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Murdock, Woodard.**APPROP, Durham**[View summary](#)**Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Office of State Budget and Management**

S 263 (2023-2024) **HEALTHY STUDENTS - A NURSE IN EVERY SCHOOL**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO REQUIRE AT LEAST ONE SCHOOL NURSE IN EVERY SCHOOL IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIT BEGINNING IN THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR AND TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO MEET THAT REQUIREMENT.*

Includes whereas clauses.

Amends GS 115C-47 to require local boards of education to ensure that each school within the unit is staffed by at least one full-time, permanent school nurse.

Amends GS 115C-12 to require the State Board of Education (State Board) to ensure that schools operating under the State Board's control are staffed by at least one full-time, permanent school nurse.

Amends GS 115C-218.75, GS 115C-238.66, and GS 116-239.8 to require charter schools, regional schools, and lab schools to staff at least one full-time, permanent school nurse.

Applies beginning with the 2023-24 school year.

Appropriates \$100 million in recurring funds from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction for 2023-24 to increase the Instructional Support Allotment to be used to increase positions for school nurses to meet the act's requirements. Specifies that the funds are supplemental to funds provided for school nurses.

Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Adcock, Hise, Barnes.**APPROP, GS 115C, GS 116**[View summary](#)**Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Employment and Retirement, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Public Instruction, State Board of Education, Health and Human Services, Health**

S 267 (2023-2024) **RESTRICT DETACHED CATALYTIC PURCHASES**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS GOVERNING THE PURCHASE AND SALE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS THAT ARE NOT ATTACHED TO A MOTOR VEHICLE.*

Amends GS 66-420 (definitions pertaining to regulation of sales and purchase of metals for pawnbrokers, metal shops, and scrap dealers) to add definition of *catalytic converter* (motor vehicle exhaust system parts that are used for controlling the exhaust emissions from motor vehicles and that contain a catalyst metal, including the materials inside a catalytic converter which contains precious metals).

Amends GS 66-421 to require secondary metals recyclers to also maintain electronic records of all transactions involving catalytic converters not attached to a vehicle purchased from manufacturing, industrial, government, or other commercial vendor that generates and sells such converter, including the receipt of each purchase, name and address of the seller, date, time, and place of transaction, and the number of used, detached catalytic converters or pounds of catalyst metal purchased.

Amends GS 66-424 to make it unlawful for any person who is not a secondary metals recycler to purchase or solicit or advertise for sale or purchase a used catalytic converter not attached to a vehicle. (Currently, just unlawful to purchase a used catalytic converter not attached to a vehicle.) Removes language allowing sales of used and detached catalytic converter that

has been tested, certified, and labeled, or otherwise approved for reuse, and being bought or sold for purposes of reuse, in accordance with the federal Clean Air Act and regulations thereunder. Amends GS 66-247 to exclude from Part 3, Regulation of Sales and Purchases of Metals, used and detached catalytic converters that have been tested, certified, and labeled, or otherwise approved for reuse, and being bought or sold for purposes of reuse, in accordance with the federal Clean Air Act and regulations thereunder. Amends GS 66-429 to make it a Class 1 misdemeanor a first offense, and a Class I felony for all subsequent offenses, to knowingly and willing sell detached catalytic converters as described above. Makes each sale its own offense. Imposes a fine of \$1000 for each violation. Makes conforming changes to GS 66-430 (pertaining to restitution).

Enacts GS 66-432 (pertaining to forfeiture of illegally sold catalytic converters) to allow for seizure and forfeiture of illegally purchased/sold catalytic converters.

Effective December 1, 2023.

Intro. by McInnis, Craven, Burgin.

GS 66

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Business and Commerce, Courts/Judiciary, Motor Vehicle, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure

S 268 (2023-2024) [PAY FUNERAL DIR. FOR TRANSPORTING DEAD BODIES](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER TO PAY A FEE TO FUNERAL DIRECTORS WHO, BY ORDER OF A COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER, TRANSPORT DEAD BODIES TO HOSPITALS OR FUNERAL HOMES FOR EXAMINATION; AND REQUIRING THAT THE AMOUNT OF THIS FEE BE ADJUSTED FOR INFLATION ONCE EVERY FOUR YEARS.*

Directs the Commission for Public Health to amend 10A NCAC 44 .0204 regarding the fee paid by the state to a hospital when a county medical examiner orders a body taken to the hospital and later examines the body in that facility. Requires the State to pay a \$40 fee to funeral directors who transport dead bodies, by order of a county medical examiner, to a hospital or funeral home for examination, unless a fee has already been paid to a hospital to transport the body.

Requires that the fee amount be adjusted every four years for inflation according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index. Adjustments begin January 1, 2027.

Intro. by Sawyer.

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Health and Human Services, Health, Public Health

S 269 (2023-2024) [EXEMPT CERTAIN DOD CHILD CARE CTRS/LIC. REQS.](#) Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM STATE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE-CERTIFIED CHILD CARE FACILITIES THAT ARE ADJACENT TO A MILITARY INSTALLATION AND OTHERWISE MEET FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE.*

Amends GS 110-106.2 which exempts from state licensure child care facilities that meet federal requirements for licensure under the US Department of Defense. Provides that child care facilities adjacent to military installations are "Department of Defense-certified child care facilities."

Intro. by Lazzara.

GS 110

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Preschool, Child Welfare, Military and Veteran's Affairs

S 270 (2023-2024) [FUNDS FOR CORNELIUS INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS THE TOWN OF CORNELIUS MAINTAINS IN THE SMITHVILLE NEIGHBORHOOD*.

Appropriates \$1 million for 2023-24 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to the Town of Cornelius as title indicates. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Marcus, Sawyer.

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S 271 (2023-2024) [FUNDS FOR CORNELIUS HISTORY MUSEUM](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ACQUIRE AND RESTORE THE HISTORIC CORNELIUS HIGH SCHOOL AGRICULTURE BUILDING TO SERVE AS A HISTORY MUSEUM IN THE TOWN OF CORNELIUS*.

Appropriates \$3 million for 2023-23 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to the Town of Cornelius as title indicates. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Marcus, Sawyer.

[APPROP, Mecklenburg](#)

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S 272 (2023-2024) [FUNDS FOR SMITHVILLE COMMUNITY COALITION](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE SMITHVILLE COMMUNITY COALITION FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE HISTORICALLY AFRICAN AMERICAN NEIGHBORHOOD KNOWN AS SMITHVILLE IN THE TOWN OF CORNELIUS*.

Appropriates \$3 million for 2023-24 to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to Smithville CommUNITY Coalition Inc. as title indicates. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Marcus, Sawyer.

[APPROP, Mecklenburg](#)

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S 273 (2023-2024) [UNC BOG/NO LOBBYISTS/SPOUSES](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LOBBYISTS AND THE SPOUSES OF LOBBYISTS FROM SERVING AS MEMBERS ON THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA*.

Amends GS 116-7 to prohibit lobbyists and spouses of lobbyists from being members of the UNC Board of Governors. Makes language gender neutral.

Intro. by Perry.

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[Government, State Agencies, UNC System](#)

S 274 (2023-2024) [SENIOR CARE OPTIONS](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO DEVELOP AND ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION*

OF A PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE DELIVERY OF HOME CARE SERVICES.

Establishes a three-year pilot program for certain home health care services to residents of North Carolina as follows. Requires the Department of Health and Human Services (Department) to develop and issue a request for proposal (RFP) no later than July 1, 2023, to contract with a third-party organization to establish and administer a three-year home care services pilot program in North Carolina, beginning no later than January 1, 2024. Requires that the third-party organization have an existing presence delivering home care services in at least one other state to deliver at least the following home care services to residents of North Carolina as part of the pilot program: (1) home-based services such as meal preparation, cleaning and organizing, caring for pets, and other home management services; (2) community-based services such as grocery shopping, retail shopping, and pick-up and drop-off of items such as library materials, mail, and donations; (3) transportation-based services such as travel to and from medical appointments, social events, and community activities. Sets forth definitions of *department* and *home care services*. Specifies contract requirements, including that all third-party organizations conduct criminal background checks on all employees before they can perform home care services as part of the pilot program.

Exempts the home care services provided by the pilot program from certain home care licensure requirements for home care agencies except for the smoking prohibitions set forth in GS 131E-143 and the personnel rules and licensing rules set forth in the North Carolina Administrative Code. Bars the Department from exempting the third-party agency from licensure requirements for duties perform in the State outside of the pilot program. Specifies that if the third-party violates any licensure laws while delivering services outside the scope of its contract, the organization is subject to a penalty of not more than \$500 for each offense as set forth in GS 131E-141.1.

Shields the Department from liability for any willful, intentional, grossly negligent, or negligent acts or omissions of the third-party organization arising from establishment and administration of the pilot program.

Sets termination date from three years after the date the third-party organization begins providing home care services under the pilot program.

Requires the Department to submit a report to the specified joint NCGA committee on the effectiveness of the pilot program within six months after the termination of the pilot program.

Intro. by Perry, Sawyer, Overcash.

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Government, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Social Services, Adult Services

S 275 (2023-2024) **STREAMLINE COMM./MULTIFAM. BLDG. PLAN REVIEW.** Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO EXPEDITE THE APPROVAL OF SEALED COMMERCIAL AND MULTIFAMILY BUILDING PLANS BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.*

Enacts GS 160D-1110.1, requiring local governments to complete review of commercial and multifamily building plans submitted with a permit application sealed by a licensed engineer or licensed architect and issue applicable building permit decisions within 21 days unless otherwise agreed by the parties. Requires the local government to issue all applicable permits within 15 days after receiving additional requested information or a resubmitted plan with changes from the permit applicant. Authorizes local governments to use and contract with the Department of Insurance (DOI) or contract with licensed engineers or certified architects to perform plan reviews within the timeframe required. Allows the permit applicant to elect to use DOI or hire a licensed engineer or certified architect to review and certify the submitted plans if the local government fails to comply with the established timeframe. Requires the applicant to provide the local government with a written certification signed by the plan review that complies with application Building Codes and applicable State and local laws. Directs the local government to create a form for certification. Requires the local government to issue applicable permits for a project within 72 hours of accepting a completed plan review with certification, and refund or waive all applicable plan review and permit fees upon issuance of the permits. Releases the local government and inspection department from any liabilities, duties, or responsibilities under the Article or in common law arising from plans reviewed and certified by a third-party. Bars a local government from delaying or denying the issuance of applicable permits based on the receipt of requested manufacturer specifications or engineering information on an element, component, or fixture related to submitted plans.

Amends GS 143-151.8 to include persons contracting with a local government or a permit applicant to perform third-party plan reviews under new GS 160D-1110.1(c) in the definition of *Code enforcement*.

Amends GS 143-151.12 to require DOI to make its marketplace pool of qualified Code-enforcement officials available when requested by a permit applicant under new GS 160D-1110.1(c).

Amends GS 143-151.13 to allow a licensed architect or licensed engineer who is not employed by the State or a local government to use a standard certificate, which authorizes practice as a qualified Code-enforcement official based on the license held, to perform third-party plans reviewed under GS 160D-1110.1(b) and (c).

Applies to permit applications submitted on or after October 1, 2023.

Intro. by Jarvis, Moffitt, McInnis.

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[Development, Land Use and Housing, Land Use, Planning and Zoning, Government, State Agencies, Department of Insurance, Local Government](#)

S 277 (2023-2024) [DOL/ELEVATOR BUREAU INSPECTORS - FUNDS](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT CREATING A PILOT PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF ELEVATOR INSPECTORS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE*.

As title indicates, appropriates from the General Fund to the Department of Labor, Special Fund 23800, \$2,000,000 in nonrecurring funds for the 2023-2024 fiscal year and \$2,000,000 in nonrecurring funds for the 2024-2025 fiscal year to fund a pilot program to increase the number of inspectors in the Elevator Bureau. Authorizes the funds to be used to contract with up to 20 retired elevator inspectors for contracts of up to six months' duration. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Johnson.

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S 281 (2023-2024) [FUNDS FOR STEELE CREEK COMMUNITY PLACE](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE STEELE CREEK COMMUNITY PLACE*.

Appropriates \$834,000 for 2023-24 from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for a directed grant to Steele Creek Community Place Inc. to support an initiative to connect opportunities to increase community health and inclusion. Funds are to be allocated equally among the following focus areas: (1) upward mobility and networking, (2) physical wellness, (3) family partnership, and (4) mental health. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Salvador, Lowe.

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[Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Office of State Budget and Management](#)

S 282 (2023-2024) [VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD INSPECTIONS](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE INSPECTION PROCESS OF THE VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD*.

Enacts GS 90-187.17, pertaining to inspections conducted by the Veterinary Medical Board (Board), requiring the Board to provide one weeks' written notice of any upcoming inspection to the veterinarian along with a checklist of all standards for

which the Board may issue a violation and the conditions that would constitute a violation. Permits electronic notice. Allows for rescheduling at the request of the veterinarian for no later than one week after the originally scheduled date of inspection. Effective October 1, 2023.

Intro. by Jackson, Rabon.

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S 284 (2023-2024) **FUNDS FOR STEELE CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.** Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE STEELE CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE.*

Appropriates \$4 million in nonrecurring funds from the General Fund to the Office of State Budget and Management for 2023-24 to provide a directed grant to the Steele Creek Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service, Inc. to support specified needs of the fire department. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Salvador.

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

S 288 (2023-2024) **INCREASE RATES/SET FLOOR/CHILD CARE SUBSIDY.** Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO INCREASE CHILD CARE SUBSIDY RATES TO THOSE IN THE 2021 MARKET RATE STUDY, WITH AUTOMATIC INCREASES UPON COMPLETION OF SUBSEQUENT NEW STUDIES, TO IMPLEMENT TEMPORARY MARKET RATE INCREASES, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THOSE PURPOSES.*

Requires the Department of Health and Human Services (Department), Division of Child Development and Early Education (DCEE) to increase the child care subsidy market rates to the seventy-fifth percentile as recommended by the 2021 Child Care Market Rate Study for children in three-, four-, and five-star-rated child care centers and homes beginning October 1, 2023.

Requires DCEE to automatically increase the child care subsidy rates to the seventy-fifth percentile of those recommended rates beginning July 1 of the next fiscal year when new rates are recommended in subsequent market rate studies. Appropriates from the General Fund to DCEE, \$24 million in recurring funds for the 2024-25 fiscal year to implement the market rate increases. Amends Section 9L.2(b)(1)a of SL 2021-180, as amended (pertaining to the appropriation of certain funds to the DCEE for child care subsidies), to provide for the child care subsidy rate increase to meet the rates recommended in the 2021 Child Care Market Rate Study through the end of the 2023-24 fiscal year or until funds are exhausted, whichever occurs first (was, to meet the rates of the 2018 Child Care Market Rate Study until the funds expire on September 30, 2024).

Beginning October 1, 2023, sets provisions of payment rates for childcare providers in counties that have a county rate below the State rate for center-based and home-based care as follows: (1) as a general rule, payment rates are set at the seventy-fifth percentile of the statewide market rate as recommended by the 2021 Child Care Market Rate Study for children birth through 5 years of age for licensed child care centers and homes; and, (2) if it can be demonstrated that the application of the statewide rate to a county with fewer than 50 children in each age group is lower than the county market rate and would inhibit the ability of the county to purchase child care for low-income children, then the county market rate can be applied. Appropriates from the General Fund to DCEE \$14 million in recurring funds for the 2023-24 fiscal year and \$85 million in recurring funds for the 2024-25 fiscal year to implement the temporary market rate increases set forth above.

Specifies the intent of the NCGA to use a portion of the anticipated increase in funds to the Child Care and Development Fund Block Grant to supplement funding for the child care market rate increases described above.

Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Burgin, Chaudhuri, Corbin.

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State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services**

S 289 (2023-2024) **CREATE NEW PUBLIC DEFENDER DISTRICT 22A**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO CREATE A NEW PUBLIC DEFENDER DISTRICT TO SERVE ALEXANDER AND IREDELL COUNTIES AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS*.

Amends GS 7A-498.7(a), creating a new public defender district to serve Alexander and Iredell counties (District 22A). Appropriates from the General Fund a recurring \$1,071,211 to the Office of Indigent Services (IDS) for 2023-2024 to create 20 new positions in the new public defender district 22A, including a chief public defender, up to 12 assistant public defenders, and up to seven support positions. IDS may also use up to \$1,500,000 from the Private Assigned Counsel Fund to support the staffing of public defender district 22A. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Sawyer.**APPROP, Alexander, Iredell, GS 7A**[View summary](#)**Courts/Judiciary, Court System, Administrative Office of the
Courts, Government, Budget/Appropriations**

S 290 (2023-2024) **SHORT TERM RENTALS**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE SAFE RENTAL OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES BY REQUIRING COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL ORDINANCES AND CODES AND ESTABLISHING A MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY LIMITATION*.

Amends GS 160D-1207 (pertaining to periodic inspections under minimum housing codes) to clarify that the nothing in that law will be deemed to prevent a local government from enforcing ordinances related to maximum occupancy, as that term is defined in the Vacation Rental Act (GS 42A-4) [VRA], for a vacation rental property that is subject to the provisions of the VRA.

Adds *maximum occupancy* as a definition in the VRA, defined as the maximum number of persons allowed in a vacation rental, measure as an amount not exceeding four persons per bedroom. Amends GS 42A-31 (pertaining to the landlord's obligation to provide fit premises for a vacation rental) to require the landlord to (1) comply with all current applicable local ordinances and codes; and (2) accurately represent the number of bedrooms and bathrooms on the property and prohibit the rental of the property to a tenant if the maximum occupancy will be exceeded. Sets forth specification on how to determine number of bedrooms and bathrooms on the property. Makes technical and conforming changes.

Makes conforming changes to GS 42A-32 (tenant's obligation to maintain dwelling unit under the VRA) and GS 42A-33 (responsibilities and liability of real estate broker under the VRA).

Intro. by Sawyer.**GS 42**[View summary](#)**Business and Commerce, Consumer Protection, Development,
Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing**

S 291 (2023-2024) **QRIS/STAR RATING SYSTEM REFORM**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO EXTEND THE EXPIRATION DATE TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND TO REQUIRE THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD CARE COMMISSION TO COMPLETE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STAR-RATING SYSTEM REFORM AND REPORT THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES*.

Identical to [H 344](#), filed 3/9/23.

Amends Section 2 of SL 2021-127 to have the Division of Child Development and Early Education (Division), when evaluating child care centers for quality rating improvement system "education points," to lower their percentage threshold from 75% to 50% of lead teachers having met the requirements for the facility to obtain credit towards its rating until June 30, 2026 (was, June 30, 2023) if the facility's percentage threshold for its lead teachers was 75%. Makes a conforming change to the act's effective date provision.

Amends Section 3 of SL 2021-127 to have Section 1 of the session law expire on June 30, 2024, instead of expiring six months after revocation of governor's declaration of emergency due to COVID-19 (Section 1 prohibits the Division, when it resumes environmental rating scale (ERS) (star rating) assessments, from requiring a licensed child care facility to undergo an ERS assessment if conducting the assessment would cause the child care facility to lose a star rating due to (1) the facility's loss in educators who enabled the facility to meet the star-rating requirements and (2) its inability to replace those educators, within a reasonable period of time, with individuals having similar levels of education).

Requires the North Carolina Child Care Commission (Commission) to complete recommendations for quality rating improvement system (QRIS/Star-Rating System) reform by March 31, 2024, and submit its QRIS reform recommendations to the specified joint NCGA committee before the 2024 Legislative Session begins. Requires the Commission's QRIS reform recommendations to include accreditations from national early childhood education (ECE) accreditation organizations as an alternative pathway for licensed child care programs to earn a star rating equivalent to each accreditation's standards, including accreditations from any of seven specified organizations.

Intro. by Burgin, Chaudhuri, Krawiec.

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Education, Preschool

S 292 (2023-2024) **EXTEND CHILD CARE COMPENSATION GRANTS**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO EXTEND THE COMPENSATION GRANTS PORTION OF THE STABILIZATION GRANTS FOR CHILD CARE CENTERS*.

Identical to [H 342](#), filed 3/9/23.

Appropriates from the General Fund \$300 million in non-recurring funds to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development and Early Education for 2023-24 to extend compensation grants of the stabilization grants for child care centers authorized in SL 2021-25. Requires original federal funds for compensation grants to be disbursed before any State funds for this purpose. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Burgin, Chaudhuri, Krawiec.

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**Education, Preschool, Government, State Agencies,
Department of Health and Human Services**

S 293 (2023-2024) **TRI-SHARE CHILD CARE PILOT FUNDS**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A TRI-SHARE CHILD CARE PILOT PROGRAM TO INCREASE ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY, AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE*.

Identical to [H 322](#), filed 3/9/23.

Requires the Department of Health and Human Services' Division of Child Development and Early Education (Division), in collaboration with the North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc. (NCPC), to establish a three-year pilot project to implement the Tri-Share Child Care program, a program that creates a public/private partnership to share the cost of child care equally between employers, eligible employees, and the State to: (1) make high-quality child care affordable and accessible for working families; (2) help employers retain and attract employees; and (3) help stabilize childcare businesses across the State. Clarifies that child care includes part-time and full-time care, before and after school care, and summer day camps.

Directs the Division and NCPC to select up to three local partnerships to serve as regional facilitator hubs (Hubs) to implement and administer the pilot project and act as regional intermediaries between employers, families, child care providers, and the State. Requires that Hubs be selected from geographically diverse areas across the State, with one selected from a tier one county (which has the same designation as that established by the North Carolina Department of Commerce's 2023 County Tier Designations). Defines an eligible employee as an employee (1) who is employed by a participating employer, (2) who has a household income between 185% and 300% of the federal poverty level, and (3) who is not otherwise eligible for subsidized child care in this State. Requires the Hubs to establish and determine program eligibility and other criteria for the child care program, including but not limited to each of the following: (1) ensuring payment for the cost of child care is divided equally between an employer, an eligible employee, and the State; (2) soliciting participating employers; (3) ensuring participating employers agree to (i) identify and recruit eligible employees, (ii) provide the employer portion of each participating employee's child care costs, and (iii) maintain communication with the regional facilitator hub regarding each eligible employee's continued employment and eligibility; (4) verifying that child care providers seeking to participate in the program are licensed in this State; (5) upon determining an employee's eligibility, ensuring payment by the employee of the employee's portion of the cost of child care; (6) coordinating payments between employers and licensed child care providers.

Appropriates from the General Fund to the Division, to be allocated NCPC: \$900,000 for each year of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium and \$900,000 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year to provide the State portion of funding for the Tri-Share child care pilot project established by the act. For the 2025-2026 fiscal year, directs the Director of the Budget to also include in the base budget the amount of nonrecurring funds needed to support the pilot project. Funds appropriated pursuant to this section will be divided evenly in each fiscal year among the Hubs selected to participate in the pilot project. Upon completion of the pilot project, any unexpended funds will revert back to the General Fund. Caps the amount of funding that a Hub may use on administrative costs at 9% of its funding.

Requires the Division to submit a report to the specified NCGA joint committee within six months of completion of the pilot project on the following: the number of children served, by age and county; total project costs, including any administrative costs; the amount of funds needed to expand the program statewide; the list of employers participating in the pilot project; and any other relevant information deemed appropriate.

Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Burgin, Chaudhuri, Krawiec.

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**Education, Preschool, Government, State Agencies,
Department of Health and Human Services**

S 294 (2023-2024) **REDUCE MATERNAL MORBIDITY/MORTALITY/MEDICAID**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO REDUCE MATERNAL MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY THROUGH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RATE INCREASES FOR OBSTETRICS MATERNAL BUNDLE PAYMENTS FOR PREGNANCY CARE AND ADDITIONAL MEDICAID ADD-ON RATES AND COVERED SERVICES*.

Identical to [H 321](#), filed 3/9/23.

Requires the Department of Health and Human Services (Department), Division of Health Benefits (DHB) to increase the Medicaid rate paid for obstetrics maternal bundle payments for pregnancy care to at least 71% of the Medicare rate. In order to incentivize the use of group prenatal care visits by Medicaid beneficiaries, requires DHB to develop an add-on rate to the relevant capitated rates or payments that include prenatal care services, to include amounts sufficient to make payments to providers that achieve a level of Medicaid beneficiary participation in group prenatal care visits. Authorizes DHB to determine the level of patient participation required for a provider to receive these provider payments. Permits the provider payments to be used by a provider to establish incentives for Medicaid beneficiary patients to attend group prenatal care visits. Requires the rate increases to be implemented as soon as practicable.

Requires DHB to seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to implement Medicaid coverage of certain healthcare services provided by a doula. Requires DHB to develop the parameters of services to be covered, including: (1) updating applicable clinical coverage policies; (2) developing appropriate reimbursement for covered services

provided by a doula; and (3) determining provider credentialing requirements for participation in the NC Medicaid program. Requires the coverage to be implemented as soon as practicable upon approval by CMS. Requires DHB to report to the specified joint NCGA committee on the details of the Medicaid coverage of healthcare services provided by a doula, the specific reimbursement for these services, and the estimated recurring cost to the State of providing this coverage, by no later than March 1, 2024.

Appropriates from the General Fund to DHB \$2,800,000 in recurring funds for each year of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium to implement the Medicaid-related changes outlined above. Specifies that the funds will provide a State match for \$5,500,000 in recurring federal funds for each year of the 2023-2025 fiscal biennium, and that those federal funds are appropriated to DHB to pay for costs associated with the Medicaid-related changes outlined above. Effective July 1, 2023.

Intro. by Burgin, Chaudhuri, Krawiec.

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S 295 (2023-2024) **STUDENT TAX REDUCTION (STAR) ACT**. Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE TAX BURDEN ON STUDENT DEBT RELIEF*.

Identical to [H 345](#), filed 3/9/23.

Amends GS 105-153.5(c2) (pertaining to decoupling adjustments in determining modifications to adjusted gross income) to delete decoupling provision related to discharge of certain student loans. Effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2023.

Intro. by Murdock, Robinson, Salvador.

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LOCAL/HOUSE BILLS

H 27 (2023-2024) **ELECT THOMASVILLE CITY BD. OF ED.** Filed Jan 26 2023, *AN ACT TO CHANGE THE THOMASVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM APPOINTED MEMBERS TO ELECTED MEMBERS*.

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE THOMASVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM APPOINTED MEMBERS TO ELECTED MEMBERS. SL 2023-1. Enacted March 9, 2023. Effective March 9, 2023, unless provided otherwise.

Intro. by Watford.

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Government, Elections

H 30 (2023-2024) **REDUCE LENGTH OF GRANVILLE BD. OF ED. TERMS.** Filed Jan 30 2023, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR FOUR-YEAR TERMS RATHER THAN SIX-YEAR TERMS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE GRANVILLE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION*.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR FOUR-YEAR TERMS RATHER THAN SIX-YEAR TERMS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE GRANVILLE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION. SL 2023-2. Enacted March 9, 2023. Effective March 9, 2023, and applies to elections beginning in 2024.

Intro. by Winslow, Sossamon.

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Education, Government, Elections

H 324 (2023-2024) [DURHAM/ELECTRONIC NOTICES FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DURHAM AND DURHAM COUNTY TO USE ELECTRONIC MEANS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC NOTICE FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC HEARINGS*.

Identical to [S 235](#), filed 3/8/23.

Authorizes the City of Durham's and Durham County's governing bodies to adopt ordinances enabling notice of public hearings required under GS Chapter 160D (local planning and development regulation) by joint planning board through electronic means, including, but not limited to, the city's or county's website. Retains state law requirements that mailed notice be given to certain classes of people and signs posted on certain property, as well as publication schedules for public notices.

Intro. by Jeffers.

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[Development, Land Use and Housing, Land Use, Planning and Zoning](#)

H 331 (2023-2024) [SE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY/MEMBERS & SALES](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT EXTENDING THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHEAST REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS AND AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY TO SELL, LEASE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE AUTHORITY WITHOUT COMPLYING WITH STATE LAWS REGULATING THE DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS*.

Repeals Section 2(c) of SL 2020-19 (pertaining to initial appointments of members of the Southeast Airport Authority [Authority]). Makes conforming changes to Section 2(b) of SL 2020-19 to remove references to Section 2(c). Changes the term of members appointed to the Authority from two to four years. Increases the amount of term left when a member is appointed to the Authority to fill a vacancy from one year to two years for that appointment to count as a term for the purposes of term limits.

Directs that the terms of the current members of the Authority will expire on December 31, 2023. Sets a schedule for appointments commencing on January 1, 2024, as follows: (1) three registered voters of the City of Laurinburg appointed by the Mayor of the City, one of whom will serve for a term of one year, one of whom will serve for a term of two years, and one of whom will serve for a term of three years; (2) three registered voters of the Town of Maxton appointed by the Mayor of the Town, one of whom will serve for a term of one year, one of whom will serve for a term of two years, and one of whom will serve for a term of three years; (3) one registered voter of Scotland County appointed by the Chair of the Board of Commissioners, who will serve for a term of four years; and (4) the Scotland County Economic Development Director, who will serve as an ex officio nonvoting member. Allows for each of these appointees to be appointed to two successive four-year terms when their initial terms expire. Specifies that the initial terms do not count towards term limits. Allows (but does not require) any of the current Authority members to be reappointed to the Authority as part of the January 1, 2024, schedule.

Amends Section 4 of SL 2020-19 to remove the requirement that the procedures pertaining to the sale of property of cities and towns as set forth in Article 12 of GS Chapter 160A apply to the Authority's sale, lease, or other disposal of property.

Authorizes the Authority to sell property by public sale or by negotiated private sale. Maintains that any sale of real property by the Authority be approved by the City of Laurinburg City Council, Town of Maxton Town Council, and Scotland County Board of Commissioners.

Intro. by Pierce.

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H 334 (2023-2024) [ESTABLISH TWO AT-LARGE SEATS/W-S CITY COUNCIL](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH TWO AT-LARGE SEATS ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM*.

Amends Paragraph 2 of Section 12A of SL 1927-232, as amended, by increasing the number of members on the Winston-Salem City Council from eight to ten. Requires that the two additional members be at-large members, elected by qualified voters of the entire City. Requires the at-large members to be residents of Winston-Salem. Additionally, modifies the wards from which members are elected to now include one member from the Southwest Ward (previously named Southeast Ward).

Requires that the two at-large members be elected during the statewide general election held in November 2024, serving four-year terms. Provides that the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes are to serve.

Intro. by Lambeth.

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LOCAL/SENATE BILLS

S 264 (2023-2024) [DAVIDSON HISTORIC DIST. SUBDIVISION EXEMPTION](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO EXEMPT DESIGNATED HISTORIC DISTRICTS FROM CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON ZONING IN THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON*.

Amends GS 160D-802, applicable to the Town of Davidson only, to no longer exempt a National Register Historic District located within the corporate limits of a municipality from the applicability of subdivision regulations under Article 8.

Intro. by Marcus.

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[Development, Land Use and Housing, Land Use, Planning and Zoning](#)

S 265 (2023-2024) [INCREASE MUNICIPAL ELECTION PARTICIPATION ACT](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN HENDERSON, POLK, AND RUTHERFORD COUNTIES ARE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE MAYOR IN THE TOWN OF TRYON AND ALL ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE TOWN OF RUTH FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS*.

Part I.

Amends the Charter of the Village of Flat Rock, SL 1995-48, to provide for election of council members and the mayor to four-year terms in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms of council members with elections in 2024 and 2026, and election of a mayor in 2024. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of council members and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Fletcher, SL 1989-44, to provide for election of town council members and the mayor to four-year terms in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms of council members with elections in 2024 and 2026, and election of a mayor in 2026. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of council members and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the City of Hendersonville, SL 1971-874, as amended, to provide for election of two council members in 2024, and two council members and a mayor in 2026, all elected to four-year terms. Makes language gender neutral. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of council members and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Laurel Park, SL 2000-8, to provide for the election of commissioners and the mayor to four-year terms in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms for commissioners, with two elected in 2024 and two elected in 2026. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Provides for election of the mayor in 2024. Extends by one year the terms of commissioners and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Mills River, SL 2003-242, to provide for the election of council members to four-year terms in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms of council members in 2024 and 2026 as specified. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of council members set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Part II.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Columbus, SL 1985-46, as amended, to provide for the election of council members and the mayor to four-year terms in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms of council members in 2024 and 2026 as specified. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of council members and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the City of Saluda, SL 1933-123, to provide for the election of commissioners and the mayor to four-year terms in even-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms of commissioners in 2024 and 2026, and election of the mayor in 2026. Requires conducting municipal elections pursuant to uniform municipal election laws. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of commissioners and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Tryon, SL 1971-441, as amended, to provide for election of commissioners and the mayor to four-year terms (previously, the mayor served a two-year term) in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms of commissioners elected in 2024 and 2026, and election of the mayor in 2024. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of commissioners and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Part III.

Amends the Charter of Chimney Rock Village, SL 1991-444, to provide for the election of council members to four-year terms in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of council members set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Ellenboro, SL 1983-425, as amended, to provide for the election of council members and the mayor to four-year terms in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms for council members at elections in 2024 and 2026 as specified, and election of the mayor in 2024. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of council members and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Forest City, SL 1981-209, as amended, to provide for election of commissioners and the mayor to four-year terms in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms of commissioners at elections in 2024 and 2026 as specified, and election of a mayor in 2026. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of commissioners and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Lake Lure, SL 1987-194, to provide for election of board members and the mayor in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered four-year terms of board members, elected in 2024 and 2026 as specified. Provides for election of the mayor for a two-year term in 2024. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of board members and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Ruth, SL 1893-55, as amended, to provide for election of commissioners and a mayor to four-year terms in even-numbered years, beginning in 2024. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of commissioners and the mayor set to expire in 2023 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Rutherfordton, SL 1979-350, as amended, to provide for the election of council members and the mayor to four-year terms (previously, two-year terms) in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years. Provides for staggered terms for council members at elections in 2024 and 2026, as specified, and election of the mayor in 2026. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of council members and the mayor set to expire in 2023 and 2025 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Amends the Charter of the Town of Spindale, SL 1975-378, as amended, to provide for election of board members and the mayor to two-year terms in even-numbered years rather than odd-numbered years, beginning in 2024. Prohibits conducting municipal elections until 2024. Extends by one year the terms of board members and the mayor set to expire in 2023 who are serving on the date the act becomes law.

Intro. by Moffitt.

[Henderson, Polk, Rutherford](#)

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[Government, Elections](#)

S 266 (2023-2024) [SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/CHATHAM](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY TO CHATHAM COUNTY SCHOOLS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR*.

Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) as title indicates. Requires Chatham County Schools to open no earlier than August 10 (currently, prohibited from opening earlier than the Monday closest to August 26), excluding year-round schools. Deletes the provisions of subsection (d) concerning waiver of the opening date requirements upon a showing of good cause. Amends GS 115C-174.12 allowing Chatham County Schools, if the school calendar concludes the fall semester before December 31, to administer assessments before the conclusion of that semester. Applies beginning with the 2023-24 school year.

Intro. by Murdock.

[Chatham, GS 115C](#)

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[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education](#)

S 276 (2023-2024) [UNION COUNTY/USE WHEEL LOCKS](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT AUTHORIZING UNION COUNTY TO USE WHEEL LOCKS OR OTHER SIMILAR DEVICES TO ENFORCE PARKING REGULATIONS ON COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY AND PROPERTY LEASED BY THE COUNTY*.

Identical to [S 201](#), filed 3/6/23.

Applicable to Union County only, amends GS 153A-170 to authorize the county to regulate by ordinance motor vehicle parking on property leased by the county in addition to county-owned property. Allows for ordinances to provide for vehicles parked in violation of county regulations to be immobilized by wheel locks or similar devices at cost to the owner.

Intro. by Johnson, Craven.

[Union, GS 153A](#)

[View summary](#)

[Courts/Judiciary, Motor Vehicle](#)

S 278 (2023-2024) [SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/DURHAM](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY TO DURHAM COUNTY SCHOOLS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR*.

Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) as title indicates. Requires Durham County Schools to open no earlier than August 10 (currently, prohibited from opening earlier than the Monday closest to August 26), excluding year-round schools. Deletes the provisions of subsection (d) concerning waiver of the opening date requirements upon a showing of good cause. Amends GS 115C-174.12 allowing Durham County Schools, if the school calendar concludes the fall semester before December 31, to administer assessments before the conclusion of that semester. Applies beginning with the 2023-24 school year.

Intro. by Murdock, Woodard.[Durham, GS 115C](#)[View summary](#)[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education](#)

S 279 (2023-2024) [ALLOW DURHAM CO/PROVIDE EMPLOYEE HOUSING](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *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.*

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 Murdock, Woodard.[Durham](#)[View summary](#)[Development, Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing, Education, Government, Public Safety and Emergency Management](#)

S 280 (2023-2024) [CENTRAL PARK SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PILOT PROGRAM](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO ALLOW THE CENTRAL PARK SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN IN DURHAM COUNTY TO CONDUCT A WEIGHTED ADMISSIONS LOTTERY PILOT PROGRAM.*

Authorizes the charter school Central Park School for Children (School) in Durham County to establish a pilot program to expand the school's weighted lottery admission procedures for a period of up to four years. Requires the pilot program to preserve existing weighting factors but authorizes the program to add additional weighting factors that serve the goal of assisting educationally or economically disadvantaged students, including walk zones. Specifies that the pilot program will not be considered a material change of the School's charter. Requires the School to submit an annual report for each year of the pilot to the Charter Schools Advisory Board with the following information: (1) a description of the pilot weighted lottery procedures, including the weighted factors considered and how those factors further the goals of the weighted lottery system; (2) how the pilot procedure differed from the existing procedure; and (3) the number of students that were admitted under the pilot program that would not have otherwise been admitted. Applies to weighted lotteries conducted for the admissions process for the 2024-25 school year.

Intro. by Woodard.[STUDY, Durham](#)[View summary](#)[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education](#)

S 283 (2023-2024) [FAIR TREATMENT FOR JOURNALISM/GUILFORD COUNTY](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT RESTORING FAIR TREATMENT FOR JOURNALISM IN GUILFORD COUNTY BY REPEALING A PILOT PROGRAM AUTHORIZING GUILFORD COUNTY AND MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED WHOLLY OR PARTLY IN GUILFORD COUNTY TO PUBLISH REQUIRED NOTICES ELECTRONICALLY AND AUTHORIZING GUILFORD COUNTY TO PUBLISH LEGAL NOTICES VIA A COUNTY-MAINTAINED WEBSITE FOR A FEE.*

Repeals SL 2017-210, which (1) authorized Guilford County and its municipalities to electronically publish required notices upon adoption of an ordinance by the appropriate governing body and (2) authorized Guilford County to publish legal notices on the county-maintained website for a fee.

Intro. by Garrett.

[Guilford](#)

[View summary](#)

S 285 (2023-2024) [REQ. CONSENT/EARLY VOTING/CHAR-MECK. SCHOOLS](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO REQUIRE CONSENT FROM THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG SCHOOLS' SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE USING CERTAIN SCHOOLS AS EARLY ONE-STOP VOTING SITES.*

Prohibits Charlotte-Mecklenburg County Schools (CMS) from being used for early one-stop voting locations without the prior consent of the CMS Superintendent, who must have up to five school operating days to grant or deny consent. Requires the CMS Superintendent to grant consent if the school building is or can be configured to provide a separate entrance and exit for voters and barriers to keep voters from accessing areas of the school where students have access during operating hours. Requires payment or reimbursement for costs to prepare and maintain the school building for safety to be paid or reimbursed by the Mecklenburg County Board of Elections. Applies to elections held on or after the date the act becomes law.

Intro. by Marcus.

[UNCODIFIED, Mecklenburg](#)

[View summary](#)

[Education, Elementary and Secondary Education,
Government, Elections](#)

S 286 (2023-2024) [MAKE PAMLICO BD. OF ED. ELECT. PARTISAN](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE PARTISAN ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE PAMLICO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.*

Substantively identical to [H 179](#), filed March 7, 2023.

Repeals the remainder of SL 1981-551, as amended, concerning the Pamlico County Board of Education (Board).

Amends section 11 of SL 1987-939 as follows. Changes the election of members of the Board from nonpartisan to partisan starting in 2024, with biennial partisan elections thereafter and the results determined by using the nonplurality method under state law. Sets filing requirements for notice of candidacy.

Enacts new section 11a to SL 1987-939. Specifies that any vacancies for Board members elected on a nonpartisan basis in 2020 and 2022 should be filled by appointment by the remaining Board members to serve until the next Board election. Starting in 2024, specifies that vacancies will be appointed using the partisan method specified in state law, with the appointed member serving until next election. Clarifies that the act does not impact the term of any member elected to the Board in 2020 or 2022.

Effective December 1, 2024, expands the scope of GS 115C-37.1(d) (partisan appointment methods to fill vacancies) by adding Pamlico County to the list of covered counties.

Applies to elections held in 2024 and after.

Intro. by Sanderson.

[Pamlico](#)

[View summary](#)[Education, Government, Elections](#)

S 287 (2023-2024) [SE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY/MEMBERS & SALES](#). Filed Mar 9 2023, *AN ACT EXTENDING THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHEAST REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS AND AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY TO SELL, LEASE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE AUTHORITY WITHOUT COMPLYING WITH STATE LAWS REGULATING THE DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.*

Identical to [H 331](#), filed 3/9/23.

Repeals Section 2(c) of SL 2020-19 (pertaining to initial appointments of members of the Southeast Airport Authority [Authority]). Makes conforming changes to Section 2(b) of SL 2020-19 to remove references to Section 2(c). Changes the term of members appointed to the Authority from two to four years. Increases the amount of term left when a member is appointed to the Authority to fill a vacancy from one year to two years for that appointment to count as a term for the purposes of term limits.

Directs that the terms of the current members of the Authority will expire on December 31, 2023. Sets a schedule for appointments commencing on January 1, 2024, as follows: (1) three registered voters of the City of Laurinburg appointed by the Mayor of the City, one of whom will serve for a term of one year, one of whom will serve for a term of two years, and one of whom will serve for a term of three years; (2) three registered voters of the Town of Maxton appointed by the Mayor of the Town, one of whom will serve for a term of one year, one of whom will serve for a term of two years, and one of whom will serve for a term of three years; (3) one registered voter of Scotland County appointed by the Chair of the Board of Commissioners, who will serve for a term of four years; and (4) the Scotland County Economic Development Director, who will serve as an ex officio nonvoting member. Allows for each of these appointees to be appointed to two successive four-year terms when their initial terms expire. Specifies that the initial terms do not count towards term limits. Allows (but does not require) any of the current Authority members to be reappointed to the Authority as part of the January 1, 2024, schedule.

Amends Section 4 of SL 2020-19 to remove the requirement that the procedures pertaining to the sale of property of cities and towns as set forth in Article 12 of GS Chapter 160A apply to the Authority's sale, lease, or other disposal of property.

Authorizes the Authority to sell property by public sale or by negotiated private sale. Maintains that any sale of real property by the Authority be approved by the City of Laurinburg City Council, Town of Maxton Town Council, and Scotland County Board of Commissioners.

Intro. by Britt.

[Scotland](#)

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ACTIONS ON BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS

H 2: EXTEND DEADLINE FOR EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Re-ref Com On Appropriations/Base Budget

H 8: COMPUTER SCI. GRAD. REQUIREMENT.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 10: REQUIRE SHERIFFS TO COOPERATE WITH ICE.

House: Withdrawn From Cal

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

House: Withdrawn From Com

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

H 40: PREVENT RIOTING AND CIVIL DISORDER.

Senate: Amend Tabled A1

Senate: Amend Tabled A2

Senate: Amend Tabled A3

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

House: Ratified

H 87: DA MAY PETITION FOR PROBATION MODIFICATIONS.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 151: TERM LIMITS FOR CONGRESS.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 153: USE TRIBAL ID FOR ALCOHOL & TOBACCO PURCHASE.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 235: APPLICATION FOR A CONVENTION OF THE STATES.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 302: NC ADOPT ERA.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 303: REDUCE EARLY ONE-STOP VOTING DAYS.

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 304: ELECTION DAY INTEGRITY ACT.

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 305: DISAPPROVE CERTAIN DOA RULES.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 307: DISASTER REC./STREAM RESTORATION/FUNDS EXT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 309: INSPECTION OF LOW-SPEED VEHICLES.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 310: SELECTION OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE METHOD.

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 311: COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OVERSIGHT DIVISION.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 313: TRANSPORTATION RESILIENCY FUND MODS./DISASTER.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 314: PUBLIC SCHOOL ETHICS TRAINING.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 315: ROCKINGHAM/GUILFORD WATER/SEWER FUNDS.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 316: RESPIRATORY CARE MODERNIZATION ACT.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 321: REDUCE MATERNAL MORBIDITY/MORTALITY/MEDICAID.

House: Filed

H 322: TRI-SHARE CHILD CARE PILOT FUNDS.

House: Filed

H 323: RETAIN ADULT DAY VOC. REHAB. PROGRAMS.

House: Filed

H 325: KERNERSVILLE ROAD EXTENSION STUDY.

House: Filed

H 326: NC TIME ZONE/OBSERVE DST ALL YEAR.

House: Filed

H 327: CLARIFY ANIMAL WELFARE STATUTES.

House: Filed

H 328: CENTRAL CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE FUNDS.

House: Filed

H 329: FUNDS FOR HISTORIC TOWERS AT GLENCOE VILLAGE.

House: Filed

H 330: SCHOOL ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY APPEALS TO SI.

House: Filed

H 332: STREAMLINE COMM./MULTIFAM. BLDG. PLAN REVIEW.

House: Filed

H 333: RESTORE STATE EMP/TEACHER RETIREE MED BENEFIT.

House: Filed

H 335: NO PRIVILEGE TAX FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONS.

House: Filed

H 336: HEALTHY STUDENTS - A NURSE IN EVERY SCHOOL.

House: Filed

H 337: 2023 APPROPRIATIONS ACT.

House: Filed

H 338: LIFETIME CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT.

House: Filed

H 339: SUPPORT MALE SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

House: Filed

H 340: MEDICAID CHILDREN & FAMILIES SPECIALTY PLAN.

House: Filed

H 341: TS FRED UNEXPENDED FUNDS/WILDFIRES.

House: Filed

H 342: EXTEND CHILD CARE COMPENSATION GRANTS.

House: Filed

H 343: INCREASE RATES/SET FLOOR/CHILD CARE SUBSIDY.

House: Filed

H 344: QRIS/STAR RATING SYSTEM REFORM.

House: Filed

H 345: STUDENT TAX REDUCTION (STAR) ACT.

House: Filed

H 346: REORGANIZATION & AMP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT.

House: Filed

S 22: RENAME OUTDOOR HERITAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 41: GUARANTEE 2ND AMEND FREEDOM AND PROTECTIONS. (NEW)

House: Withdrawn From Com

House: Re-ref to the Com on Judiciary 3, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

S 91: AMEND RULE 4/ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE.*House: Passed 1st Reading**House: Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House***S 95: EXPEDITE WATER/WASTEWATER FRANCHISE TRANSFER.***Senate: Regular Message Sent To House**House: Regular Message Received From Senate***S 110: GSC UNIF. COMMUNITY PROP. DISP. AT DEATH ACT.***House: Passed 1st Reading**House: Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House***S 115: REPURPOSE R.J. BLACKLEY CTR AS PSYCH HOSPITAL.***Senate: Ratified***S 156: MEDICAID CHILDREN & FAMILIES SPECIALTY PLAN.***Senate: Regular Message Sent To House**House: Regular Message Received From Senate***S 174: REV. LAWS TECH., CLARIFYING, & ADMIN. CHNGS.***Senate: Amend Adopted A1**Senate: Passed 3rd Reading**Senate: Engrossed**Senate: Special Message Sent To House**House: Passed 1st Reading**House: Ref to the Com on Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House***S 187: TEACHER LICENSURE/RETIRED EDUCATOR PROGRAM.***Senate: Withdrawn From Com**Senate: Re-ref to Education/Higher Education. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 193: CAREER DEVELOPMENT PLANS.***Senate: Withdrawn From Com**Senate: Re-ref to Education/Higher Education. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 195: UNC OMNIBUS.***Senate: Withdrawn From Com**Senate: Re-ref to Education/Higher Education. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 216: MUDDY SNEAKERS.***Senate: Withdrawn From Com**Senate: Re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 220: CONFIRM PHIL BADDOUR/INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION.***Senate: Withdrawn From Com**Senate: Re-ref to Commerce and Insurance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 221: CONFIRM THERESA STEPHENSON/BD OF REVIEW.***Senate: Withdrawn From Com**Senate: Re-ref to Commerce and Insurance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 223: FUNDS/BINGHAM PARK REMEDIATION.***Senate: Withdrawn From Com**Senate: Re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate*

S 224: EAST GREENSBORO NOW - NONPROFIT SUPPORT.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

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

S 227: FUNDS FOR DAVIDSON PEDESTRIAN SAFETY.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 228: PRIVATE CONDEMNATION/WITHDRAW DEPOSIT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 230: APPROVE AMERICAN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY CHARTER.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 231: NC ADOPT ERA.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 232: DISAPPROVE CERTAIN DOA RULES.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 234: TAXPAYER TRANSPARENCY ACT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 236: MODERNIZE AUDIOLOGY PRACTICE LAWS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 237: AG COST-SHARE FUNDS/FRENCH BROAD.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 238: WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY ENGINEERING FUNDS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 239: REDUCE BARRIERS TO STATE EMPLOYMENT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 240: PERMIT CHOICE/CERTAIN AIRPORT AUTHORITIES.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 244: HOUSING EXTENSION.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 246: PROPERTY OWNERS PROTECTION ACT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 247: AMEND USE OF DEFENSIVE FORCE.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 250: COUNTIES/SEMIANNUAL ASSESSMENTS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 251: CIVILIAN TRAFFIC INVESTIGATORS.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 253: 2023 APPROPRIATIONS ACT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 254: GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2023.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 257: 2023 APPROPRIATIONS ACT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 258: 2023 APPROPRIATIONS ACT.

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 259: FUNDS FOR CHIN PAGE LIFT STATION.

Senate: Filed

S 260: FUNDS FOR TRIANGLE WASTEWATER PLANT.

Senate: Filed

S 261: FUNDS TO REPAIR ORPHAN ROADS IN DURHAM COUNTY.

Senate: Filed

S 262: FUNDS/DURHAM JUVENILE DETENTION CTR.

Senate: Filed

S 263: HEALTHY STUDENTS - A NURSE IN EVERY SCHOOL.

Senate: Filed

S 267: RESTRICT DETACHED CATALYTIC PURCHASES.

Senate: Filed

S 268: PAY FUNERAL DIR. FOR TRANSPORTING DEAD BODIES.

Senate: Filed

S 269: EXEMPT CERTAIN DOD CHILD CARE CTRS/LIC. REQS.

Senate: Filed

S 270: FUNDS FOR CORNELIUS INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.

Senate: Filed

S 271: FUNDS FOR CORNELIUS HISTORY MUSEUM.

Senate: Filed

S 272: FUNDS FOR SMITHVILLE COMMUNITY COALITION.

Senate: Filed

S 273: UNC BOG/NO LOBBYISTS/SPOUSES.

Senate: Filed

S 274: SENIOR CARE OPTIONS.

Senate: Filed

S 275: STREAMLINE COMM./MULTIFAM. BLDG. PLAN REVIEW.

Senate: Filed

S 277: DOL/ELEVATOR BUREAU INSPECTORS - FUNDS.

Senate: Filed

S 281: FUNDS FOR STEELE CREEK COMMUNITY PLACE.

Senate: Filed

S 282: VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD INSPECTIONS.

Senate: Filed

S 284: FUNDS FOR STEELE CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

Senate: Filed

S 288: INCREASE RATES/SET FLOOR/CHILD CARE SUBSIDY.

Senate: Filed

S 289: CREATE NEW PUBLIC DEFENDER DISTRICT 22A.

Senate: Filed

S 290: SHORT TERM RENTALS.

Senate: Filed

S 291: QRIS/STAR RATING SYSTEM REFORM.

Senate: Filed

S 292: EXTEND CHILD CARE COMPENSATION GRANTS.

Senate: Filed

S 293: TRI-SHARE CHILD CARE PILOT FUNDS.

Senate: Filed

S 294: REDUCE MATERNAL MORBIDITY/MORTALITY/MEDICAID.

Senate: Filed

S 295: STUDENT TAX REDUCTION (STAR) ACT.

Senate: Filed

LOCAL BILLS

H 27: ELECT THOMASVILLE CITY BD. OF ED.

House: Ratified

House: Ch. SL 2023-1

H 30: REDUCE LENGTH OF GRANVILLE BD. OF ED. TERMS.

House: Ratified

House: Ch. SL 2023-2

H 66: CATAWBA/NEWTON-CONOVER/HICKORY BD OF ED ELECT.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 81: INCREASE HALIFAX CO. BD. OF ED. COMPENSATION.

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 88: OMNIBUS LOCAL ELECTIONS. (NEW)

Senate: Regular Message Sent To House

House: Regular Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub

H 99: WAKE CO. BD. OF COMM. ELECTIONS. (NEW)

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 174: W-S/FORSYTH BD. OF ED./RURAL HALL EVEN-YEAR. (NEW)

House: Regular Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 306: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/GRANVILLE & VANCE.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 308: ALEXANDER CO. BD. OF ED. REFERENDUM.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 312: FOUR-YEAR TERM FOR MAYOR/SILER CITY.

House: Passed 1st Reading

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

H 324: DURHAM/ELECTRONIC NOTICES FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS.

House: Filed

H 331: SE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY/MEMBERS & SALES.

House: Filed

H 334: ESTABLISH TWO AT-LARGE SEATS/W-S CITY COUNCIL.

House: Filed

S 229: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/CHARLOTTE-MECK.*Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 233: ALEXANDER CO. BD. OF ED. REFERENDUM.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 235: DURHAM/ELECTRONIC NOTICES FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 241: DESIGN ELEM.EXEMPT-HISTORIC DOWNTOWN DAVIDSON.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 242: DAVIDSON/DEMOLITION OF HISTORIC STRUCTURES.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 243: TOWN OF DAVIDSON-EXPEDITED REVIEW EXEMPTION.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 245: PARK SOUTH STATION TRAFFIC CITATIONS.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 248: CHANGE NO. OF MEMBERS ON NASH CO. BD. OF ED.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 249: MOORESVILLE PD MAY USE LICENSE PLATE READERS.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 252: FOUR-YEAR TERM FOR MAYOR/SILER CITY.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref to Redistricting and Elections. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 255: IREDELL COUNTY OCCUPANCY TAX MODIFICATIONS.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref to Finance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 256: HARMONY REQ'MENT CHANGES-TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE.***Senate: Passed 1st Reading**Senate: Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate***S 264: DAVIDSON HISTORIC DIST. SUBDIVISION EXEMPTION.***Senate: Filed***S 265: INCREASE MUNICIPAL ELECTION PARTICIPATION ACT.***Senate: Filed***S 266: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/CHATHAM.**

Senate: Filed

S 276: UNION COUNTY/USE WHEEL LOCKS.

Senate: Filed

S 278: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/DURHAM.

Senate: Filed

S 279: ALLOW DURHAM CO/PROVIDE EMPLOYEE HOUSING.

Senate: Filed

S 280: CENTRAL PARK SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PILOT PROGRAM.

Senate: Filed

S 283: FAIR TREATMENT FOR JOURNALISM/GUILFORD COUNTY.

Senate: Filed

S 285: REQ. CONSENT/EARLY VOTING/CHAR-MECK. SCHOOLS.

Senate: Filed

S 286: MAKE PAMLICO BD. OF ED. ELECT. PARTISAN.

Senate: Filed

S 287: SE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY/MEMBERS & SALES.

Senate: Filed

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