

The Daily Bulletin: 2024-05-22

PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 228 (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, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE MEDICAID HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT STATUTES, AND TO UPDATE THE DEFINITION OF A THRESHOLD EXCLUSION.

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

Adds new Section 5.3A, amending GS 108A-145.3 by amending the definition of the University of North Carolina Health Care System to refer to it as being established under GS 116-350.5 instead of GS 116-37.

Adds a new Part VII amending GS 105-282.1 to require an owner of a legacy airport property to file an application in order to receive a property tax benefit.

Intro. by Bradford, Setzer, Kidwell, Wray. GS 24, GS 105, GS 108A

View summary

Alcoholic Beverage Control, Banking and Finance, Business and Commerce, Corporation and Partnerships, Development, Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing, Government, State Agencies, Department of Revenue, Tax, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers, Transportation

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House amendment makes the following changes to the 3rd edition. Removes Part VII, which would have amended GS 105-282.1 to require an owner of a legacy airport property to file an application in order to receive a property tax benefit. Makes organizational changes.

Intro. by Bradford, Setzer, Kidwell, Wray. GS 24, GS 105, GS 108A

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H 681 (2023-2024) HEALTHCARE FLEXIBILITY ACT. (NEW) Filed Apr 18 2023, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE LICENSURE OF THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE, TO PROVIDE PRACTICE AUTHORITY FOR NURSE PRACTITIONERS, TO ENSURE FLEXIBILITY FOR ANESTHESIA SERVICE, TO REQUIRE NOTIFICATION FOR OUT-OF-NETWORK BILLING AT IN-NETWORK FACILITIES, AND TO LIMIT FACILITY FEES.

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

Designates the provisions pertaining to the new Interstate Medical Licensure Compact as Part I of the act. Changes the effective date from October 1, 2023, to when the act becomes law.

Removes proposed new GS 90-12.02, which provided for a military relocation license to a physician or physician assistant not actively licensed by the State medical board to practice in the State so long as certain requirements are met. Also removes conforming changes to GS 90-13.1.

Adds the following.

Part II

Narrows the types of nursing and tasks that can be performed under GS 90-18(c)(14) (pertaining to practicing medicine without a license) to licensed advanced practice registered nurses engaged in the practice of advanced practice nursing without being considered practicing medicine or surgery. (Currently, exemption encompasses the practice of nursing by a registered nurse engaged in the practice of nursing and the performance of acts otherwise constituting medical practice by a registered nurse.) Specifies that the rules governing the advanced practice nursing will be develop the Board of Nursing (Board) with input from the Nurse Practitioner (NP) Advisory Committee (NPAC). (Currently, registered nurses engage in practice under rules jointly developed by the NC Medical Board and the Board of Nursing.)

Amends GS 90-18.2 (limits on NP's) as follows. Defines advanced nursing practice, advanced practice registered nurse (APRN), collaborating provider (meaning a licensed physician or NP with at least 8,000 practice hours and in good standing with their respective licensing boards without any professional discipline in the preceding five years), and collaborative provider agreement. Amends who may use the title "nurse practitioner" to now be any nurse approved under GS 90-18(c)(14) to perform advanced nursing practice (was, to perform medical acts or tasks) or functions.

Creates the NPAC. Provides for membership of NPAC. Directs NPAC to assist the Board in proposing regulations for NPs under GS Chapter 90 and to comply with all open meeting requirements. Directs that any NP with 4,000 hours of practice as an NP who has not been disciplined by the Board in the preceding five years has independent authority to engage in advanced practice nursing. Requires an NP with less than 4,000 hours of practice as an NP to practice with a collaborating provider.

Amends the conditions under which NP's are authorized to write prescriptions as follows. Requires the NP to follow the rules adopted by the Board governing prescriptions (was, rules must be adopted by the Board and the Medical Board). Allows NPs holding an advanced NP license to write prescriptions (currently an NP with a current approval form from the Board and medical board). Amends the written instructions prong so that it only applies to NP's who are required to have a collaborating provider pursuant to a collaborating provider agreement (currently refers to supervising physician). Amends the controlled substances prong to specify that it only applies if the NP is required to have a collaborating provider (currently refers to supervising physician).

Expands places where NPs are authorized to order medications, tests and treatment to include home health. Amends the requirements governing the authorizations of the above as follows. Removes references to the Medical Board in provisions requiring NP's to follow rules for diagnosing, treating, and facilitating patients' management, including prescribing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic interventions so that the Board is the only regulating entity. Makes conforming changes to remaining prongs so that the Board is the only regulating entity. Amends the written instructions prong so it only applies to NP's who are required to have a collaborating provider pursuant to a collaborating provider agreement (currently refers to supervising physician). Requires the NP to hold an APRN license. Removes the requirement that the hospital or other health facility's written policy needs to be approved by the medical staff after consultation with the nursing administration.

Specifies that if an NP is required to have a collaborating provider then that provider is deemed to have ordered a prescription, order, or medical certification of the NP. (Currently refers to supervising physicians.) Specifies that NP's who are not authorized to have a collaborating provider are responsible for their own authorization and completion of a prescription, order or death certificate.

Amends the schedule of fees in GS 90-171.27 (expenses payable from fees collected by the Board) to provide for an ANRP application fee not to exceed \$100, an ANRP renewal fee not to exceed \$100, and a reinstatement of a lapsed license to practice as an ANRP and renewal fee not to exceed \$180. Removes references to nursing certificates in the schedule of fees.

Effective January 1, 2025. Requires the Board to adopt rules to implement the provisions above by January 1, 2025.

Enacts new GS 90-18.9, providing as follows. Requires, consistent with the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 (TEFRA) that an anesthesiologist providing medical direction to a certified registered nurse anesthetist performing anesthesia care must comply with all of the following in order to bill any third-party payor for medical direction services: (1) perform a pre-anesthetic examination and evaluation and document it in the medical record; (2) prescribe the anesthesia plan; (3) personally participate in and document the most demanding procedures in the anesthesia plan, if applicable; (4) ensure that any procedures in the anesthesia plan that the anesthesiologist does not perform are performed by a certified nurse anesthetist or anesthesiologist assistant, as appropriate; (5) monitor the course of anesthesia administration at frequent intervals and document that they were present during some portion of the monitoring; and (6) remain physically present and available for immediate diagnosis and treatment of emergencies. Enacts new GS 58-3-301 requiring an insurer offering a health benefit plan in this State to reimburse claims for medical direction of a nurse anesthetist at 50% of the rate of reimbursement the anesthesiologist would have received for services if the services had been performed without the nurse anesthetist. Also requires, consistent with TEFRA, that the insurer require that any anesthesiologist supervising a certified registered nurse anesthetist performing anesthesia care comply with the same requirements set out in new GS 90-18.8 and must also provide indicated post-anesthesia care. Defines the terms anesthesia care, anesthesiologist, certified registered nurse anesthetist, medical direction and TERF4 as they are used in both statutes. Amends GS 135-48.51 to make new GS 58-3-301 applicable to the State Health Plan. Applies to services rendered or insurance contracts issued, renewed, or amended on or after October 1, 2024.

Amends GS 58-93-120 to make new GS 58-3-3-1 applicable to prepaid health plans in the manner in which it applies to insurers.

Requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefits (DHB), to review the Medicaid State Plan and all applicable Medicaid clinical coverage policies to ensure that the Medicaid program is paying anesthesiologists for medical direction of nurse anesthetists at 50% of the reimbursement the anesthesiologist would receive if they performed the work alone. Also requires DHB to ensure that all requirements for reimbursement of anesthesiologist medical direction services comply with TEFRA.

Part IV

Enacts new GS 58-3-295 to require all contracts or agreements for participation as an in-network health services facility between an insurer offering at least one health benefit plan in this state and a health services facility at which there are out-of-network providers who may be providing covered services to an insured person receiving care at the facility, to require that an in-network health services facility give at least 72 hours' advanced written notice to an insured with a scheduled appointment of any out-of-network provider who will be part of providing care. Sets out alternate requirements for timing of notice in situations in which there is not 72 hours between the appointment and when it is scheduled or when there is an emergency. Requires the notice to include: (1) all of the healthcare providers that will be rendering services who are not in-network and (2) the estimated cost to the insured of the services being rendered by those out-of-network providers. Defines a health care provider as any individual licensed, registered, or certified under GS Chapter 90, or under another state's laws, to provide health care services in the ordinary care of business or practice, as a profession, or in an approved education or training program in: (1) anesthesia or anesthesiology, (2) emergency services, (3) pathology, (4) radiology, or (5) rendering assistance to a physician performing any of these services.

Applies to contracts entered into, amended, or renewed on or after October 1, 2024.

Part V

Enacts GS 131E-274, pertaining to facility fees, as follows. Sets forth eight defined terms. Lists the following limitations on facility fees: (1) that no health care provider can charge, bill, or collect a facility fee unless the services are provided on a hospital's main campus, at a remote location of a hospital, or at a facility that includes an emergency department and (2) that regardless of where the services are provided, no health care provider can charge, bill, or collect a facility fee to outpatient evaluation and management services, or any other outpatient, diagnostic, or imaging services identified by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Requires the Department to annually identify services subject to the limitations on facility fees described above that may reliably be provided safely and effectively in non-hospital settings. Requires each hospital and hospital system to submit an annual report to the Department by July 1 of each year, which will be published on

the Department's website. Lists six things that the report must include, such as the name and full address of each facility owned or operated by the hospital or health system that provides services for which a facility is charged or billed.

Specifies that any violation of the statute is considered an unfair and deceptive trade practice. Provides for an administrative penalty of not more than \$1,000 per occurrence to any health care provider that violates the section. Effective January 1, 2025, and applies to facility fees charged on or after that date.

Requires the Department to adopt rules to implement this section by January 1, 2025.

Makes organizational changes. Makes conforming changes to the act's titles.

Intro. by K. Baker, Reeder, Lambeth, Potts.

GS 58, GS 90, GS 131E, GS 135

View summary

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

H 971 (2023-2024) HOTEL OPERATION AND PERSONNEL EDUCATION ACT. Filed May 1 2024, AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO DEVELOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS TRAINING, REQUIRING LODGING ESTABLISHMENTS, ACCOMMODATION FACILITATORS, AND LANDLORDS OR REAL ESTATE BROKERS FOR VACATION RENTALS TO IMPLEMENT HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS TRAINING, AND INCREASING THE PUNISHMENT FOR A FIRST OFFENSE OF SOLICITING A PROSTITUTE.

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

Amends proposed GS 130A-511, concerning the required human trafficking awareness training, as follows. Requires that the training be available electronically for free to those individuals who are required to complete the training, but that it not be readily accessible to the public (was, must be accessible on the Department of Health and Human Services' (DHHS) website to individuals with login credentials). Expands upon those who the lodging establishment must ensure receive the training, to include employees who provide food or beverage services. Adds the requirement that a third-party contractor, as defined, ensure that their employees who perform housekeeping services at the lodging establishment, provide food or beverage services on site at the lodging establishment, or provide check-in and check-out services at the lodging establishment receive human trafficking awareness training. Requires that employees beginning employment on or after January 1, 2025, complete the training before performing any of their duties, and every two years thereafter; those employed before that date must complete the training by December 31, 2026, and every two years thereafter.

Amends proposed GS 42A-39, concerning human trafficking awareness reporting and training requirements for accommodation facilitators, by expanding upon those who fall under the statute to also include landlords, real estate brokers, and third-party contractors, and amend the statute to now provide as follows. Adds definitions for vacation rental, employee, landlord, real estate broker, and third-party contractor. Requires a landlord, before initially listing a vacation rental, either directly by the landlord, through a real estate broker, or through an accommodation facilitation, to implement a procedure for reporting suspected human trafficking occurring at vacation rentals to the specified hotline or to a local law enforcement agency. Requires the following to complete human trafficking awareness training, for any vacation rental offered for lease: (1) the landlord, or if the landlord is a partnership, corporation, sole proprietorship, or limited liability company, the employee or third-party contractor who oversees the supervision or maintenance of the vacation rental on the landlord's behalf; (2) the landlord's employees who perform housekeeping services at the vacation rental or provide check-in and check-out services for the vacation rental; (3) any third-party contractor or employee of a third-party contractor who performs housekeeping services at the vacation rental or provides check-in and check-out services for the vacation rental; and (4) any real estate broker and any employee of the real estate broker that performs housekeeping services at the vacation rental or provides check-in and checkout services for the vacation rental. Requires training to be completed every two years and sets out deadlines for initial completion depending on the date the vacation rental is offered for lease. Requires an accommodation facilitator to do the following, if the vacation rental is listed through an accommodation facilitator: (1) notify the landlord or any real estate broker providing the listing of the training requirements; (2) certify that training has been completed by the specified dates, depending on when the vacation rental was initially listed with the accommodation facilitator; and (3) report annually to the Department of Health and Human Services starting January 1, 2026, on the methods used to notify landlords and real estate brokers of the requirements of this statute, and to verify compliance with those requirements by landlords and real estate brokers using their services. Allows penalties for violations of this statute in the amount of \$500 for the first violation, \$1,000 for a second violation, and \$2,000 for the third and subsequent violations; penalty proceeds are to be remitted to the Civil Penalty and Forfeiture Fund. Makes it an unfair trade practice for a vacation rental provider to intentionally make a material misstatement in an acknowledgement of human trafficking awareness training completion. Specifies that this statute does not: (1) create a private cause of action against an accommodation facilitator, or its employees, for any act or omission arising out of the requirements of this section or (2) limit or impair the rights or remedies otherwise available to a victim of human trafficking under any other law.

Requires DHHS to develop or identify a human trafficking awareness training program that complies with this act and make the training available electronically by January 1, 2025.

Further amends GS 14-205.41 to specify that the penalties for soliciting another person for the purpose of prostitution does not apply to the person engaging in prostitution.

Amends the allowable uses of the \$500,000 appropriated to the Administrative Office of the Courts to also include an awareness campaign and other efforts to raise awareness on this act's provisions.

Pushes back the effective date of new GS 130A-511 and GS 42A-39 from October 1, 2024, to January 1, 2025.

Amends the act's long title.

Intro. by Crutchfield, Reeder, Arp, Sasser.

APPROP, GS 14, GS 42A, GS 130A

View summary

Business and Commerce, Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Government, Budget/Appropriations, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Justice

H 1020 (2023-2024) RETIREMENT ADMIN. CHANGES ACT OF 2024. Filed May 2 2024, AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND RELATED STATUTES.

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

Part I

Makes a technical correction to the statutory citation of GS 135-3(8).

Part V

Removes Part V of the act, which made changes to GS 135-18.8, GS 218-38.3, GS 135-75, GS 120-4.32, and GS 127A-40 concerning the sunset on the eligibility of newly domiciled employees or retiree associations to receive periodic deductions from retirement benefits.

Intro. by Carson Smith.

GS 116B, GS 120, GS 127A, GS 128, GS 135

View summary

Courts/Judiciary, Court System, Education, Employment and Retirement, Government, General Assembly, State Agencies, Department of State Treasurer, State Government, State Personnel, Local Government H 1071 (2023-2024) USE METHODS OF CERTAIN GROUPS/VOTER ROLLS. Filed May 22 2024, AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO USE VARIOUS METHODS IN ITS LIST MAINTENANCE EFFORTS.

Amends GS 163-82.14, as amended by Section 44(c) of SL 2023-140 (pertaining to list maintenance of eligible voters by the State Board of Elections [Board]) as follows. Requires the Board to also use other methods beyond those specified in the statute to maintain the voter rolls, including using address-updating services provided by the Postal Services and entering into data sharing agreements with other states to cross-check information on voter registration and voting records. (Currently, authorized, but not required to do these things.) Requires the Board to establish a system that, on an ongoing basis, implements a uniform method for investigating and correcting the data provided by election integrity organizations to assist in its list maintenance efforts in identifying and removing ineligible and duplicate registrations. Requires the Board to provide quarterly reports to the specified NCGA committees on (1) what corrections were made and (2) the number of corrections made, by county. Effective July 1, 2024.

Intro. by Cleveland, Warren.

GS 163

View summary

Government, Elections, State Agencies, State Board of Elections

H 1072 (2023-2024) REQUIRE DISCLAIMER/USE OF AI IN POLITICAL ADS. Filed May 22 2024, AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLAIMER IN POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENTS USING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (A.I.).

Adds new GS 163-273.18A, requiring disclaimers for use of artificial intelligence (AI) in political advertisements. Defines AI and political advertisement. Specifies that if a political advertisement is created in whole or in part by using AI, the advertisement must bear in its legend or include the statement that the advertisement was created using AI, in addition to following the general disclosure requirements under GS 163-278.39. Requires the disclosure to adhere to the size requirements provided in GS 163-278.39(b) if the AI is used in a political ad distributed through social media and for the disclosure statement to last at least two seconds if the ad is transmitted through automated calling. Makes it a Class 1 misdemeanor for a candidate, candidate campaign committee, political party organization, political action committee, referendum committee, individual, or other sponsor using AI in a political advertisement to fail to include the required disclaimer. Makes conforming changes to GS 75-104(b) (concerning automated calling) to refer to the required disclosure for automated phone calls. Applies to political ads using AI on or after the act becomes law.

Intro. by Cleveland, Riddell.

GS 75, GS 163

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Government, Elections

PUBLIC/SENATE BILLS

S 124 (2023-2024) PREDATORY ROOFING/INS. REBATE REFORM. (NEW) Filed Feb 16 2023, AN ACT TO PROVIDE A CANCELLATION PERIOD FOR RESIDENTIAL ROOF REPLACEMENT OR REPAIR CONTRACTS, TO PERMIT CERTAIN INSURANCE TRADE PRACTICES RELATED TO GIFTS, REBATES, AND SERVICES OFFERED FOR FREE OR FOR LESS THAN MARKET VALUE, AND TO PLACE A CAP ON INSURANCE REFERRAL FEES PAID TO NONLICENSED PERSONS.

House committee substitute to the 3rd edition makes the following changes. Amends definition of *residential roof replacement* and repair services under GS 14-401.13 (failure to give right to cancel in off-premises sales) to specify that the licensure that the contractor performing the services holds must be issued under Article 1 of GS Chapter 87.

Adds new GS 58-63-16 (permitted trade practices) permitting an insurer, insurance producer (defined), or limited representative (defined) to offer products or services when the products or services are: (1) offered in connection with the

marketing, purchase, or retention of an insurance contract and do not exceed an aggregate retail value of \$250 per person per year; (2) are offered without fee or at a reduced fee and are related to the servicing of an insurance contract or are offered or undertaken to provide risk control for the benefit of an insured; or (3) are offered without fee or at a reduced fee and are not contingent upon the purchase of insurance, are offered on the same terms to everyone, and the requirements of this subdivision are conspicuously disclosed to the recipient in writing. Specifies that new GS 58-63-16 does not apply to title insurance. Expands the activities not covered by GS 58-33-85 (rebates and charges in excess of premium prohibited; exceptions) and GS 58-63-15(7) and (8) (unfair trade practices) to include the trade practices permitted by GS 58-63-16. Makes organizational and technical changes to GS 58-33-85.

Sets a cap for insurance commissions, fees, or other valuable consideration to an unlicensed broker under GS 58-33-82(f) (commissions) at \$50. Permits imposition of a fine not to exceed to \$2,000 per violations for violations of the subtitle. Exempts title insurance. Applies to any referral of insurance business made on or after October 1, 2024.

Makes conforming changes to act's titles.

Intro. by Johnson.

GS 14, GS 58

View summary

Business and Commerce, Consumer Protection, Courts/Judiciary, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure, Development, Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing

S 565 (2023-2024) AMEND EXPUNCTION. (NEW) Filed Apr 4 2023, AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAWS ON THE AVAILABILITY OF EXPUNGED RECORDS AND TO REPEAL THE AUTOMATIC EXPUNCTION OF DISMISSED CHARGES.

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

Repeals GS 15A-146(a4) (expunction of certain charges where the adjudication is a dismissal without leave to refile, not guilty, or not responsible by operation of law occurring on or after December 1, 2021) and Sections 1 and 2 of SL 2022-47, as amended (pertaining to the timing of the automatic expunctions of those verdicts). Previous edition (1) amended section 1, subsection (b), of SL 2022-47, by extending the temporary automatic expunction pause to December 1, 2023; (2) and amended GS 15A-146(a4) to require to those automatic expunctions must occur within 180 days after final disposition. Makes conforming changes to GS 15A-146(c) (petitions for expungement) and GS 15A-150 (notification requirements upon the filing of an expungement petition).

Amends 15A-151.5(b), to exempt criminal convictions expunged under GS 15A-145.9 (expunction of offenses committed by human trafficking victims) from being considered a prior conviction that could be used for certain purposes enumerated in the subsection.

Removes all amendments to GS 15-145.5, including changing the time periods for expunctions of up to three nonviolent felony convictions under new subsubsubsection GS 15-145.5(c)(2)(a1) (allowing certain persons to file an expungement petition 15 years after the date of conviction or after the date of the conviction or 15 years after any active sentence, period of probation, or post-release supervision related to the conviction listed in the petition has been served, whichever occurs later) and GS 15-145.5(c1) (removing references to specific waiting period years in the affidavit statement of good moral character and changing petition requirements for expunction of nonviolent misdemeanors).

Specifies that any expungements granted under GS 15A-146(a4) prior to the effective dates of Sections 1 and 2 of SL 2022-47 remain valid. Requires that any records of dismissed charges, not guilty verdicts, or findings of not responsible maintained under Section 1 of SL 2022-47 cannot be expunged by operation of law and must be retained by the clerk of superior court unless otherwise expunged.

Makes organizational changes. Amends the act's titles.

LOCAL/HOUSE BILLS

H 909 (2023-2024) FUQUAY-VARINA/DEANNEX, WAKE/ID BUREAU UPDATE. (NEW) Filed Apr 24 2024, AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND TO AMEND AND RESTATE THE LOCAL LAWS RELATING TO THE BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION FOR WAKE COUNTY.

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

Adds the following content. Rewrites SL 1937-535, as amended, which establishes the Wake County Bureau of Identification (Bureau), and now provides as follows. Allows the Bureau to be referred to as a multidisciplinary forensic services agency and authorizes it to adopt any department name in accordance with Wake County policy and subject to approval by the Wake County Manager.

No longer provides for the appointment of an identification expert and assistants; instead requires that the District Attorney of the Tenth Prosecutorial District and the Wake County Manager appoint, on July 1, 2024, a Bureau Director for a four-year term who will be supervised by the District Attorney. Sets out provision for filling a vacancy in the Director position and sets out how a Director may be terminated. Requires the Director's compensation and expenses to be included in the annual budget prepared by the Wake County Manager.

Amends the specified duties to now require the Bureau, as requested, to fingerprint and photograph all persons arrested in Wake County; and provide crime scene examination and other forensic services for which the Bureau has capability to all law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies for criminal investigations with original jurisdiction within the geography of Wake County.

Makes Wake County the sole entity responsible for providing and paying for the Bureau's office space, equipment, and salaries.

Makes Bureau employees who are sworn law enforcement officers eligible for annual recertification as deputy sheriffs, if they meet the minimum requirements for LEO certification.

Repeals Section 1 of SL 1977-350, which concerned the appointment of assistants to the identification expert for the Bureau.

Makes organizational and conforming technical changes. Amends the act's titles.

Intro. by Paré. Wake

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ACTIONS ON BILLS

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H 237: UNMASKING MOBS AND CRIMINALS. (NEW)

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H 681: HEALTHCARE FLEXIBILITY ACT. (NEW)

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H 917: GSC TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS 2024.

House: Reptd Fav

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H 971: HOTEL OPERATION AND PERSONNEL EDUCATION ACT.

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H 988: 2024 RETIREMENT TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

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H 989: RETIREMENT SERVICE PURCHASE REWRITE PART III.

House: Reptd Fav

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H 1020: RETIREMENT ADMIN. CHANGES ACT OF 2024.

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

H 1071: USE METHODS OF CERTAIN GROUPS/VOTER ROLLS.

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House: Filed

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

House: Reptd Fav

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H 909: FUQUAY-VARINA/DEANNEX, WAKE/ID BUREAU UPDATE. (NEW)

House: Reptd Fav

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H 911: TOWN OF ANDREWS DEANNEXATION.

House: Reptd Fav

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

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b) House: Added to Calendar House: Added to Calendar House: Passed 2nd Reading House: Withdrawn From Cal

House: Placed On Cal For 05/29/2024

H 916: VACANCY FILLING FOR TOWN OF STANLEY.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

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