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PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 125 (2025-2026) [ADOPT OFFICIAL STATE STAR](#). Filed Feb 13 2025, *AN ACT ADOPTING THE MORAVIAN STAR AS THE OFFICIAL STATE STAR*.

The Senate committee substitute to the 1st edition is to be summarized.

Intro. by Lambeth, Paré, K. Hall, White.

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H 388 (2025-2026) [AMEND BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT](#). Filed Mar 12 2025, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, TO AUTHORIZE THE PROBATE OF A CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ATTESTED WRITTEN WILL THAT HAS BEEN STORED BY AN ATTORNEY AS AN ELECTRONIC RECORD, AND TO MODIFY THE EMERGENCY VIDEO SUNSETS*.

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

Amends the act's long title.

Adds and defines the terms *electronic* and *record* in GS 31-71 and moves the content of previously proposed GS 31-71 into GS 31-72 and proposed GS 31-72 into GS 31-73. Makes conforming changes.

Amend GS 31-72 to now allow an NC licensed attorney, at any time during the life of the testator to, at the testator's direction, create an electronic record of the testator's attested written will (was, store the testator's attested written will as an electronic record). Amends what is to be included in the required certification to now include that the testator expressly authorize the attorney to create an electronic record of the attested written will, and that the testator has been advised that the creation of an electronic record of the testator's attested written will eliminates the ability of the testator to revoke the attested written will by physical act.

Makes conforming changes to GS 31-5.1.

Amends GS 10B-200(b), so that instead of expiring June 30, 2025, Article 3 (Video Witnessing During State of Emergency) upon the earlier of (1) 12:01 a.m. July 1, 2026, or (2) the date the Secretary issues the first license in accordance with G.S. 10B-134.19. Provides that if the Secretary issues the first license in accordance with G.S. 10B-134.19 before 12:01 a.m. July 1, 2026, the Secretary must file that date with the Codifier of Rules to be published in the North Carolina Register as the expiration date of this section.

Intro. by Stevens.

[GS 10B, GS 28A, GS 30, GS 31, GS 36C, GS 55](#)

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[Business and Commerce, Corporation and Partnerships, Courts/Judiciary, Civil, Civil Law, Family Law](#)

H 441 (2025-2026) [SHRIMP TRAWLING TRANSITION PROGRAM/FEEES. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Mar 18 2025, *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE SHRIMP TRAWL TRANSITION PROGRAM TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY TRANSITION PAYMENTS TO HOLDERS OF COMMERCIAL*

FISHING LICENSES WHO HAD REPORTED SALES OF SHRIMP CAUGHT WITH A TRAWL NET BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2023, AND JUNE 30, 2025, AND TO INCREASE COASTAL FISHING LICENSE FEES.

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

Amends Section 1, concerning the Shrimp Trawling Transition Program (Program) to allow the Division of Marine Fisheries to use up to \$2 million annually from the cash balance of the North Carolina Marine Resource Endowment Fund to address shortfalls in making Program payments. Requires the Program to be used to provide annual transition payments to eligible holders of commercial fishing licenses with verifiable inshore landings (was, verifiable landings) of shrimp between January 1, 2023, and June 30, 2025; makes conforming changes by referring to inshore waters. Amends the annual transition payment amount awarded to a Program applicant so that it is now the sum of (1) the average monthly value of the eligible shrimp trip tickets submitted by the applicant multiplied by 12 and (2) \$180. Sets the payment amount for applicants that hold more than one Standard Commercial Fishing License or Retired Standard Commercial Fishing License at the sum of (1) the average monthly value of the eligible shrimp trip tickets submitted by the applicant associated with the license with the highest reported shrimp landings multiplied by 12 and (2) \$180. Defines the "value of the eligible shrimp tickets" as the value of shrimp caught by trawl net in any inshore waterbody between January 1, 2023, and June 30, 2025, excluding any values reported on shrimp trip tickets where most of the catch occurred in the ocean as reported on submitted trip tickets.

Intro. by Iler, Goodwin, Davis, Kidwell.

GS 113

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**Environment, Aquaculture and Fisheries,
Environment/Natural Resources, Government, State Agencies,
Department of Environmental Quality (formerly DENR)**

H 763 (2025-2026) NEIGHBOR STATE LICENSE RECOGNITION ACT. Filed Apr 2 2025, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE RECOGNITION FOR INDIVIDUALS LICENSED IN CERTAIN NEIGHBORING STATES WHO ESTABLISH RESIDENCE IN THIS STATE.*

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

Amends proposed GS 93B-15.3, licensure recognition for individuals licensed in neighboring states, so that it also does not apply to (1) certification of any practitioner by the North Carolina On-Site Wastewater Contractors and Inspectors Certification Board and (2) licensure of any new motor vehicle dealer, used motor vehicle dealer, motor vehicle sales representative, manufacturer, factory branch, factory representative, distributor, distributor branch, distributor representative, or wholesaler.

Intro. by Zenger, Tyson, Moss, Pless.

GS 93B

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Business and Commerce, Occupational Licensing

H 768 (2025-2026) EMERG. COMM. CODE EXEMPTS/SANITARY BOARD/401. (NEW) Filed Apr 3 2025, *AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODE COUNCIL TO ADOPT RULES TO AMEND THE STATE BUILDING CODE AND STATE FIRE CODE TO CLARIFY EXEMPTIONS FROM IN-BUILDING EMERGENCY RESPONDER COMMUNICATION COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE FILLING OF VACANCIES ON CERTAIN SANITARY BOARDS; AND TO ESTABLISH STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S HANDLING OF APPLICATIONS FOR 401 CERTIFICATIONS FOR PROJECTS THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A NATIONWIDE PERMIT OR REGIONAL GENERAL PERMIT.*

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

Amends proposed GS 143-214.1A(c) for applications for projects eligible for a Nationwide Permit or Regional General Permit and are required or elect to be covered under an Individual Water Quality Certification to require that when the hearing officer determines that additional information is required from the applicant at the conclusion of the public hearing comment period, the Department must notify the applicant within 15 (was, five) business days of the conclusion of the comment period.

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Development, Land Use and Housing, Building and Construction, Property and Housing, Environment, Environment/Natural Resources, Government, State Agencies, Department of Environmental Quality (formerly DENR)

H 1012 (2025-2026) **DISASTER RECOVERY ACT OF 2025 - PART II**. Filed May 21 2025, *AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXTEND REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY FOR COMMUNITIES AND CITIZENS IMPACTED BY HURRICANE HELENE AND WILDFIRES*.

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

Amends the act's long title.

Part II.

Subpart II-A

Requires the State Controller to reserve to the Hurricane Helene Disaster Recovery Fund funds transferred from the following for 2025-26: (1) \$104,964,059 from the State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund, (2) \$45,469,983 from the Federal Infrastructure Match Reserve, (3) \$428,526,115 from the Medicaid Contingency Reserve, and (4) \$55,127,214 from the Information Technology Reserve.

Identifies and transfers to the Helene Fund from other reserves \$634,086,371 that is currently underutilized or underutilized and uses a portion of those funds for multiple agencies, as provided in this act. Specifies that these additional reservations, along with the reallocation of underutilized funds, provide for a total of \$700 million in additional availability to the Helene Fund.

Removes the requirement that NCInnovation transfer back to the State, after consultation with, and in conformity with direction received from, the State Controller, \$500 million, and related provisions.

Increases that amount that the State Controller must transfer to the Helene Fund from \$69,350,000 to \$65,913,629 for 2025-26 and removes the amount that was to be transferred for 2026-27. Amends where those funds are to come from by adding in an allocation of \$1,163,629 from the Community Colleges System Office previously allocated for a tuition support program. Makes additional clarifying and technical changes. Requires that of the funds appropriated for that tuition grant program, \$2,473,971 must be used instead for community colleges located in the affected area that experienced enrollment declines from the 2023-24 academic year to the 2024-25 academic year.

Increases the amount that is to be appropriated from the Helene Fund from \$464,750,000 to \$465 million and now appropriates those funds to the following: (1) \$10 million to the Department of Commerce, to be used in the specified amounts for Visit NC to promote Western North Carolina tourism, and for operational expenses and staffing for the Division of Community Revitalization; (2) \$23 million to the Department of Agriculture to be used in the specified amounts for the North Carolina Forest Service for wildfire assets and preparedness, and for the North Carolina Agricultural Manufacturing and Processing Initiative for grants for atmosphere-controlled projects in the affected areas; (3) \$13 million to the Department of Environmental Quality to be used in the specified amounts for the Dam Safety Grant Fund for the repair, modification, or removal of dams damaged by Hurricane Helene, and for landslide hazard mapping in the affected area; (4) \$20 million to the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources for the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund for eligible uses in the affected area, to be used as specified; (5) \$8 million to the Department of Public Instruction to disburse as a competitive grant program to public school units to repair public school infrastructure or buildings damaged by Hurricane Helene in the affected area (requires units to have been denied insurance coverage and federal aid for the infrastructure damaged before receiving funds and caps grants at \$500,000); (6) \$221 million to the Division of Emergency Management of the Department of Public Safety (NCEM) to be used in the specified amounts for the Bridge Repair Program including reimbursement to persons and HOAs with qualifying projects, for nonfederal share for FEMA disaster recovery programs, to local governments in the affected area for unmet needs, for the Disaster Relief and Mitigation Fund for the Hurricane Helene Flood Mitigation Grant Program, for grants to any member organization of Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster actively involved in actual and ongoing repair and

reconstruction projects (includes reporting requirements), and for the Aerial Asset Accessibility Grant Program; (7) \$15 million to the Office of the State Fire Marshal for grants of up to \$500,000 to small and volunteer fire departments and rescue squads in counties in the affected area that qualify for Individual and Public Assistance Categories C through G to cover expenses incurred due to Hurricane Helene to purchase equipment or to make capital improvements to assist with readiness for future emergency response; (8) \$38 million to OSBM to be allocated in specified amounts to the Town of Canton, to the Hurricane Helene Local Government Capital Grant Program, to the NC League of Municipalities, the NC Association of County Commissioners, and the NC Association of Regional Councils of Government for grants for technical assistance to local governments in the affected area with specified issues, and to the MANNA Food Bank, Inc.; (9) \$1 million to the NC School for the Deaf to repair, replace, renovate, or construct buildings or infrastructure damaged by Hurricane Helene; (10) \$1 million to the Department of Transportation (DOT), Rail Division, to Great Smoky Mountains Railroad, LLC, for recovery and repair of infrastructure damaged by Hurricane Helene; (11) \$10 million to the Office of the Governor for the Governor's Recovery Office for Western NC; (12) \$100 million to the Department of State Treasurer for cashflow loans to local governments in the affected area, consistent with the requirements of Section 4E.5 of SL 2024-53, as amended; (13) \$5 million to the UNC Board of Governors to disburse grants to schools to repair, replace, renovate, or construct buildings or infrastructure damaged by Hurricane Helene.

Reduces by \$5 million recurring in each year of the 2025-27 fiscal biennium the funds appropriated to the Future Building Reserves that have been transferred to the Department of Commerce, Division of Community Revitalization. Reduces by \$5 million in recurring funds for each year of the fiscal year of the 2025-27 fiscal biennium the funds appropriated to the future Building Reserves that have been transferred to G.R.O.W. NC. Repeals these provisions if H 125 becomes law.

Reallocates the following previously appropriated funds to the DOT to now be used by DOT for cash flow and federal matching purposes for activities related to Helene recovery, as described: (1) \$30 million from DMV Tech Modernization; (2) \$28,161,418 from Unexpended Dorian Funds; (3) \$50 million for State Aid to Municipalities (for the 2025-27 biennium); (4) \$22.5 million for bridge preservation (for the 2025-27 biennium); (5) \$22.5 million for pavement preservation (for the 2025-27 biennium); and (6) \$21 million for the FRRCSI Program (for the 2025-27 biennium). Also allows DOT to use up to \$270 million in Credit Balance Funds for those purposes. Requires DOT to use all future Credit Balance Funds for activities related to recovery from Hurricane Helene until recovery is completed. Sets out provisions governing the management of these funds and reporting requirements.

Removes the provision that required for each year of the 2025-27 fiscal biennium any State-owned railroad company that has trackage in more than two counties to issue an annual cash dividend to the State. Amends GS 124-18, which requires any State-owned railroad that has trackage in more than two counties to issue an annual cash dividend to the State by adding that the dividend must be deposited in the Freight Rail & Rail Crossing Safety Improvement Fund (FRRCSI) within the Highway Fund. Appropriates \$4.6 million for 2025-27 from funds deposited according to GS 124-18 to DOT.

Specifies that for the 2025-27 biennium: (1) except as provided in Section 2A.4(b) of this act, DOT must not reduce the funds allocated to the State Aid to Municipalities (Powell Bill funds) and (2) Powell Bill funds must only be allocated to municipalities with a population of less than 150,000.

Subpart II-B

Removes the Hurricane Helene Economic Recovery Grant Program.

Removes the Farm Infrastructure Disaster Recovery Program.

Subpart II-D

Amends the purpose of the Aerial Asset Accessibility Grant Program so that grants can only be given to local airports, no longer allowing awarding grants to airfields. Changes the maximum grant amount from \$5 million to \$3 million.

Removes provisions related to the development and creation of a disaster relief portal.

Part III.

Requires that for the for the 2025-27 fiscal biennium, the following programs and funds, representing over \$750 million in the base budget from competitive grant programs over the biennium, prioritize applicants from counties that (1) were designated, in whole or in part, by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development as the most impacted and distressed counties from Hurricane Helene and (2) have a population of 300,000 or fewer based upon the 2023 Certified County Population

Estimates from the State Demographer: (1) Needs-Based Public School Capital Fund, (2) Community Health Grant Program, (3) State-Designated Rural Health Centers Support Grant Program and Rural Health Capital Grants Program, (4) Agricultural Water Resources Assistance Program, (5) Utility Account, (6) Rural Engagement & Investment Program, (7) state and local projects funded from the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund, (8) North Carolina Land and Water Fund, (9) grants administered by the North Carolina Arts Council, and (10) grants awarded by the State Water Infrastructure Authority from the State Drinking Water and Wastewater Reserves. Sets out information that applicants seeking funds from the above program must provide.

Amends the appropriations to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund by removing district health departments from the entities eligible to apply for a loan or grant from funds appropriated to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund for decentralized wastewater treatment systems.

Requires the State Controller to transfer interest earned as of June 30, 2025, from the Needs-Based Public School Capital Fund established in Article 38B of GS Chapter 115C, estimated at \$39.6 million, to the Department of Public Instruction for Capital Recovery Funds for the Public School Facilities Program.

Amends GS 166A-90 to allow the Governor to reallocate on a nonrecurring basis (was, just reallocate) other funds as may reasonably be available within the appropriations of the various departments when: (1) the severity and magnitude of the emergency so requires; (2) contingency and emergency funds are insufficient or inappropriate; (3) a state of emergency has been declared; and (4) funds in the State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund are insufficient.

Extends the expiration of tree ordinance restrictions under SL 2024-57 until October 1, 2025.

Deletes the provision requiring State agencies and local governments to use the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to remove and clear debris and other detritus from lands and waterways from Hurricane Helene in the affected area prior to using contractors hired by the State of North Carolina unless the USACE is not able to service the area, including in an expeditious or efficient manner, then the State agency or unit of local government may use the State or private contractors.

Deletes the extension of the term of Water Infrastructure Loans under Section 4C.7(j) of SL 2024-53.

Intro. by Appropriations.

[APPROP, GS 124, GS 143, GS 166A](#)

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Agriculture, Development, Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing, Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Higher Education, Environment, Environment/Natural Resources, Government, Budget/Appropriations, Cultural Resources and Museums, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, Community Colleges System Office, UNC System, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Department of Commerce, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (formerly Dept. of Cultural Resources), Department of Environmental Quality (formerly DENR), Department of Information Technology, Department of Public Instruction, Department of Transportation, Office of State Controller, State Board of Elections, State Government, Executive, Local Government, Public Enterprises and Utilities, Transportation

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Senate amendments to the 3rd edition make the following changes.

Amendment #1 amends Section 2A.3 by increasing the amount appropriated from the Helene Fund by \$15 million and increases the amount appropriated to OSBM by \$15 million, with that amount to go to Madison County.

Amendment #2 adds the following new Section 3.6. Allows qualifying structures (as defined) to be demolished if approved by the Chief Financial Officer, Chancellor, and Board of Trustees of North Carolina State University. Requires such demolition work and activities that may occur with respect to qualifying structures to be done according to all applicable laws, regulations, rules, and ordinances, including without limitation, permitting requirements. Defines *qualifying structures* as up to three buildings (1) damaged as a result of Hurricane Helene; (2) with an assessment of the damage to, and subsequent condemnation of, the structures by the State Construction Office, Department of Administration; (3) owned by North Carolina State University; and (4) leased to Black Mountain Home for Children as the Swannanoa 4H Camp.

Intro. by Appropriations.

[APPROP, GS 124, GS 143, GS 166A](#)

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S 391 (2025-2026) [DOT OMNIBUS](#). Filed Mar 24 2025, *AN ACT TO REVISE LAWS CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION*.

Senate amendment to the 3rd edition adds the following.

Amends Section 19.2(f) of SL 2024-45 by extending the deadline by which the DMV must consult with DIT on the implementation of the cloud-based operating system from July 1, 2025, to January 1, 2026, and makes the following changes. No longer requires using the findings of the evaluation required by this section to make the vendor selection and no longer requires the vendor to oversee implementation of the cloud-based operating system, just requiring management of the system. Requires the DMV (along with DIT), instead of the vendor, to submit the required reports. Requires DMV to report by October 1, 2025, to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee on the status of its evaluation of potential vendors and selection of the vendor.

Transfers the listed positions, including the salaries, property, and other funds allocated for the positions, from the Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles License and Theft Bureau, to the State Highway Patrol.

Requires that within the specified code of Highway Fund, the Office of State Budget and Management and the State Controller establish a new budget fund to support: (1) all positions transferred from the Department of Transportation to the State Highway Patrol in this act and SL 2024-57 and (2) the recurring transfer of funds from the Department of Transportation to the State Highway Patrol required by Section 3E.3(b) of SL 2024-57. Also requires the Office of State Budget and Management and the State Controller to create a new budget fund within the State Highway Patrol for all funds transferred in this act and Section 3E.3(b) of SL 2024-57. Effective July 1, 2025.

Intro. by Rabon, Sawyer, Lazzara.

STUDY, GS 8, GS 17C, GS 20, GS 126, GS 136, GS 143C, GS 153A, GS 160A

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Courts/Judiciary, Civil, Civil Law, Motor Vehicle, Development, Land Use and Housing, Property and Housing, Education, Government, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (formerly Dept. of Cultural Resources), Department of Transportation, State Government, State Personnel, Local Government, Transportation

S 770 (2025-2026) **GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPOINTMENTS**. Filed Jun 23 2025, *AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE.*

Includes whereas clauses.

Appoints individuals, upon the Speaker Pro Tempore's recommendation, to the following University and Community College boards, for the specified terms: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Board of Trustees, Western Carolina University Board of Trustees, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University Board of Trustees, Appalachian State University Board of Trustees, University of North Carolina at Asheville Board of Trustees, University of North Carolina at Charlotte Board of Trustees, East Carolina University Board of Trustees, North Carolina State University Board of Trustees, Elizabeth City State University Board of Trustees, University of North Carolina at Greensboro Board of Trustees, University of North Carolina School of the Arts Board of Trustees, North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics Board of Trustees, University of North Carolina at Wilmington Board of Trustees, Winston-Salem State University Board of Trustees, Fayetteville State University Board of Trustees, North Carolina Central University Board of Trustees, University of North Carolina at Pembroke Board of Trustees, Alamance Community College Board of Trustees, McDowell Community College Board of Trustees, Fayetteville Technical Community College Board of Trustees, Central Piedmont Community College Board of Trustees, Martin Community College Board of Trustees, Alamance Community College Board, Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College Board, Beaufort Community College Board, Bladen Community College Board, Ridge Community College Board, Brunswick Community College Board, Caldwell Community College Board, Cape Fear Community College Board, Carteret Community College Board, Catawba Valley Community College Board, Central Carolina Community College Board, Central Piedmont Community College Board, Cleveland Community College Board, Coastal Carolina Community College Board, College of The Albemarle Board, Craven Community College Board, Davidson-Davie Community College Board, Durham Community College Board, Edgecombe Community College Board, Forsyth Community College Board, Gaston College Board, Guilford Technical Community College Board, Halifax Community College Board, Haywood Community College Board, Isothermal Community College Board, James Sprunt Community College Board, Johnston Community College Board, Lenoir Community College Board, Mayland Community College Board, Mitchell Community College Board, Montgomery Community College Board, Nash Community College Board, Pamlico Community College Board, Piedmont Community College Board, Pitt Community College Board, Randolph Community College Board, Richmond Community College Board, Roanoke-Chowan Community College Board, Robeson Community College Board, Rockingham Community College Board, Rowan-Cabarrus Community College Board, Sampson Community College Board, Sandhills Community College Board, South Piedmont Community College Board, Southeastern Community College Board, Southwestern Community College Board, Stanly Community College Board, Surry Community College Board, Tri-County Community College Board, Vance-Granville Community College Board, Wake Technical Community College Board, Western Piedmont Community College Board, and Wilkes Community College Board.

Appoints individuals, upon the Speaker Pro Tempore's recommendation, to the following boards and commissions, for the specified terms: 911 Board, Building Code Council, North Carolina Board of Funeral Service, State Ethics Commission, North Carolina Housing Partnership, North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc., Board of Directors, North Carolina Board of Transportation, Rules Review Commission, Acupuncture Licensing Board, African American Heritage Commission, Board of Trustees of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System, Board of Trustees for the State Health Plan for Teachers and State Employees, North Carolina Investment Authority Board of Trustees, Commission for Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services, Crime Victims Compensation Commission, Disciplinary Hearing Commission of

the North Carolina State Bar, Domestic Violence Commission, Economic Investment Committee, License to Give Trust Fund, Local Government Commission, North Carolina Addictions Specialist Professional Practice Board, North Carolina Agricultural Finance Authority, North Carolina Board of Barber and Electrolysis Examiners, North Carolina Board of Science, Technology, and Innovation, North Carolina Boxing and Combat Sports Commission, North Carolina Cemetery Commission, North Carolina Charter Schools Review Board, North Carolina Child Care Commission, North Carolina Code Officials Qualification Board, North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission, North Carolina Criminal Justice Information Network Governing Board, North Carolina Education and Workforce Innovation Commission, North Carolina Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, North Carolina Environmental Management Commission, North Carolina Global TransPark Authority Board of Directors, North Carolina Housing Finance Agency, North Carolina Institute of Medicine Board of Directors, North Carolina Irrigation Contractors' Licensing Board, North Carolina Land and Water Fund, North Carolina Locksmith Licensing Board, North Carolina Manufactured Housing Board, North Carolina Marine Industrial Park Authority, North Carolina Museum of Art Board of Trustees, North Carolina On-Site Wastewater Contractors and Inspectors Certification Board, North Carolina Parks and Recreation Authority, North Carolina Partnership for Children, Inc., Board of Directors, North Carolina Professional Educator Preparation and Standards Commission, North Carolina Railroad Board of Directors, North Carolina Recreational Therapy Licensure Board, North Carolina Respiratory Care Board, North Carolina Sheriffs' Education and Training Standards Commission, North Carolina State Building Commission, North Carolina State Commission of Indian Affairs, North Carolina State Human Resources Commission, North Carolina State Ports Authority, North Carolina Teaching Fellows Commission, North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, North Carolina Youth Outdoor Engagement Commission, Private Protective Services Board, State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, State Board of Community Colleges, State Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners, Supplemental Retirement Board of Trustees, State Fire and Rescue Commission, University of North Carolina Center for Public Media Board of Trustees, and UNC Health Care System Board of Directors.

Unless otherwise provided, all appointments made by this act are for terms that begin on July 1, 2025.

Intro. by Rabon.

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**Business and Commerce, Occupational Licensing,
Government, General Assembly, State Agencies, Community
Colleges System Office, UNC System, State Government,
Executive, State Personnel**

LOCAL/HOUSE BILLS

H 305 (2025-2026) **GUILFORD COUNTY SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION MODS.** Filed Mar 5 2025, *AN ACT APPLICABLE TO GUILFORD COUNTY ONLY THAT (1) PROMOTES FAIRNESS IN SALES TAX DISTRIBUTIONS BY ALLOWING MUNICIPALITIES THAT DO NOT LEVY AD VALOREM TAXES TO RECEIVE A PERCENTAGE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SALES AND USE TAX DISTRIBUTIONS; (2) MODIFIES THE BALLOT QUESTION FOR A REFERENDUM REGARDING THE LEVY OF THE ARTICLE 46 QUARTER-CENT SALES AND USE TAX; (3) SPECIFIES THE USES OF THE ARTICLE 46 TAX PROCEEDS; AND (4) DISTRIBUTES A PORTION OF THE ARTICLE 46 TAX PROCEEDS TO CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES IN GUILFORD COUNTY.*

Senate committee substitute to the 3rd edition makes the following changes.

Changes the act's long title.

Makes a clarifying change in Section 1. Also provides that Section 1 is effective when it becomes law and expires for net proceeds distributed beginning on or after the date of the levy of a tax by Guilford County approved in a referendum authorized under Article 46 of GS Chapter 105, as amended by Section 2 of this act. Reenacts this section if the Guilford County Board of Commissioners repeals the tax levied under Article 46 of GS Chapter 105, as amended by Section 2 of this act, for net proceeds distributed beginning on or after the date of the repeal. Requires the Guilford County Board of Commissioners to notify the Revisor of Statutes if it either levies or repeals the tax under Article 46 of GS Chapter 105, as amended by Section 2 of this act.

Section 2

Adds the following new content, applicable to Guilford County only.

Amends GS 105-537 to require a tax levied under Article 46 (One-Quarter Cent (1/4¢) County Sales and Use Tax) to be approved in a referendum. Amends the ballot language by specifying that tax is to be used solely for classroom teacher salary supplements, fire protection equipment and services, for Guilford Technical Community College, and to be used by municipalities for any public purpose. Makes additional clarifying changes.

Amends GS 105-538 as follows. Adds and defines the following terms: (1) *adjusted distribution* (net proceeds of the tax collected under Articles 39, 40, and 42 of GS Chapter 105 distributable to a municipality as calculated using the per capita distribution method multiplied by 25%); (2) *ad valorem distribution* (net proceeds of the tax collected under Articles 39, 40, and 42 of GS Chapter 105 and distributable to a municipality as calculated using the ad valorem distribution method); (3) *allocated share* (amount equal to a qualifying municipality's ad valorem distribution subtracted from its adjusted distribution but only if the amount is positive); (4) *per capita distribution* (the net proceeds of the tax collected under Articles 39, 40, and 42 of GS Chapter 105 and distributable to a municipality as calculated using the per capita distribution method); and (5) *qualifying municipality* (municipality located in Guilford County that has an adjusted distribution greater than its ad valorem distribution). Requires the Secretary of Revenue, during any year where the ad valorem method of distribution is in effect in the taxing county, to calculate and distribute, on a monthly basis, the net proceeds of the tax collected under Article 46 under the specified formula. Requires qualifying municipalities (except Summerfield, which has its own requirements), each fiscal year, to use the net proceeds of a tax distributed to it under Article 46 only for any public purpose. Requires the county, each fiscal year, to use the net proceeds of a tax distributed to it under Article 46 for the items and in the amounts and priority order as set forth in the statute, for the Guilford County Fire and Rescue Council, Guilford Technical Community College, and for classroom teacher salary supplements. Requires the county to use the net proceeds of a tax distributed to it under Article 46 to supplement and not to supplant or replace existing funds or other resources for the items listed to at least maintain funding for the items listed at a level that meets the average level of funding provided for that item during the previous 10 years.

Applies to referenda held on or after the date the section becomes law for which the Guilford County Board of Commissioners has adopted a resolution prior to, on, or after the effective date of this section.

Intro. by Blust.

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ACTIONS ON BILLS

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House: Withdrawn From Com

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

H 79: NORTH CAROLINA WORK AND SAVE.

House: Serial Referral To Appropriations Stricken

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

House: Withdrawn From Com

House: Re-ref to the Com on Pensions and Retirement, if favorable, Insurance, if favorable, Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

H 125: ADOPT OFFICIAL STATE STAR.

Senate: Sequential Referral To Rules and Operations of the Senate Stricken

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

H 193: FIREARM LAW REVISIONS.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 210: PERPETUAL CARE OF CERTAIN CEMETERIES.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 318: THE CRIMINAL ILLEGAL ALIEN ENFORCEMENT ACT.

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 328: REGULATE HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLES. (NEW)

House: Withdrawn From Cal

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

H 357: CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES ACT.-AB

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 378: VARIOUS ED LAW/TAX ACCT/NIL CHANGES. (NEW)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 388: AMEND BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT.

Senate: Amend Adopted A3

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

H 441: SHRIMP TRAWLING TRANSITION PROGRAM/FEEES. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Amend Tabled A2

Senate: Amend Tabled A3

Senate: Amend Tabled A4

Senate: Amend Tabled A5

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

H 537: ALENA'S LAW & OFFICE OF VITAL RECORDS CHANGES. (NEW)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 546: MEDICAID MODERNIZATION. (NEW)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 549: CLARIFY POWERS OF STATE AUDITOR.

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 559: MAKE ELEVATORS GREAT AGAIN.-AB

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 696: HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER TRANSPARENCY ACT.

House: Withdrawn From Cal

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

H 737: DOI OMNIBUS BILL. (NEW)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 762: MODERNIZE NC S.A.F.E. ACT.

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 763: NEIGHBOR STATE LICENSE RECOGNITION ACT.

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

H 768: EMERG. COMM. CODE EXEMPTS/SANITARY BOARD/401. (NEW)

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

H 805: PREVENT SEXUAL EXPLOITATION/WOMEN AND MINORS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 819: DIT AGENCY BILL.

House: Withdrawn From Com

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

H 832: EDUCATION OMNIBUS. (NEW)

House: Withdrawn From Cal

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

H 928: ALLOW PTS IN SCHOOL CONCUSSION PROTOCOL.

House: Ratified

H 975: EMS PERSONNEL PROVISIONS. (NEW)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 992: TIMESHARE FORECLOSURE/PATERNITY MATTERS. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 1003: BOARD OF FUNERAL SERVICE MODIFICATIONS.

Senate: Reptd Fav

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

H 1012: DISASTER RECOVERY ACT OF 2025 - PART II.

Senate: Sequential Referral To Rules and Operations of the Senate Stricken

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Amend Adopted A2

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

S 50: FREEDOM TO CARRY NC.

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

S 77: SCHOOL CONTRACTED HEALTH SERVICES.

Senate: Concurred In H Com Sub

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

S 118: MILITARY AND VETERAN SUPPORT ACT. (NEW)

Senate: Failed Concur In H Com Sub

Senate: Conf Com Appointed

S 153: NORTH CAROLINA BORDER PROTECTION ACT.

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

S 177: ADD PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS TO MEDICAID HASP.

House: Withdrawn From Com

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

S 254: CHARTER SCHOOL CHANGES. (NEW)

Senate: Failed Concur In H Com Sub

Senate: Conf Com Appointed

S 266: THE POWER BILL REDUCTION ACT. (NEW)

Senate: Ratified

S 295: CLARIFY MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LAWS.

Senate: Concurred In H Com Sub

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

S 311: THE LAW AND ORDER ACT. (NEW)

Senate: Failed Concur In H Com Sub

Senate: Conf Com Appointed

S 391: DOT OMNIBUS.

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Amend Tabled A2

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

S 416: PERSONAL PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT.

House: Withdrawn From Com

House: Re-ref to the Com on Judiciary 2, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

S 423: TITLE FRAUD PREVENTION.

House: Conf Com Appointed

S 442: PARENTS PROTECTION ACT.

Senate: Concurred In H Amend S442v2

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

S 479: SCRIPT ACT.

House: Conf Com Appointed

S 770: GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPOINTMENTS.

Senate: Filed

LOCAL BILLS

H 3: VARIOUS LOCAL ELECTION CHANGES II. (NEW)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

H 173: VARIOUS LOCAL PROVISIONS III. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

H 183: VARIOUS LOCAL PROVISIONS II. (NEW)

House: Conf Com Appointed

Senate: Conf Com Appointed

H 226: CITY OF GREENSBORO/DEANNEXATIONS.

Senate: Reptd Fav

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

H 305: GUILFORD COUNTY SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION MODS.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

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

H 352: BID REQS/PERMITTING/INUNDATION MAPS/CAMA. (NEW)

Senate: Withdrawn From Cal

Senate: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2025

S 69: HENDERSON COUNTY LOCAL OMNIBUS. (NEW)

House: Withdrawn From Com

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

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