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PUBLIC/SENATE BILLS

S 1081 (2025-2026) [CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO FARM](#). Filed May 14 2026, *AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROTECT THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN FARMING AND FORESTRY*.

Senate committee substitute to the 1st edition sets the date when the proposed amendment is to be submitted to the qualified voters of the State at November 3, 2026 (was, November 2026) and specifies that the election must be conducted according to laws governing elections at that time (was, ballots, voting systems, or both may be used in accordance with GS Chapter 163A).

Intro. by Jackson, Barnes, B. Newton.

[CONST](#)

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[Agriculture, Constitution](#)

S 1083 (2025-2026) [DANIEL JOHNSON \(SENATE; TRANSPORTATION\)](#). Filed May 18 2026, *A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF DANIEL JOHNSON AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION*.

Includes whereas clauses. Requires the Senate to hereby consider whether to confirm Daniel Johnson as Secretary of the Department of Transportation.

Intro. by Rabon.

[SENATE RES](#)

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[Government, General Assembly, State Agencies, Department of Transportation](#)

S 1084 (2025-2026) [REDUCE EARLY VOTING PERIOD](#). Filed May 18 2026, *AN ACT TO REDUCE THE EARLY VOTING PERIOD FOR ALL ELECTIONS*.

Amends GS 163-166.40(b) to allow early voting in person at the office the county board of elections no earlier than the second (was, third) Thursday before an election in which a voter seeks to vote and no later than 3:00 P.M. on the last Saturday before that election.

Allows the Governor to fix the early voting period for special elections and for special first primaries to fill vacancies in the US House of Representatives under GS 163-13 for a period of ten days. Sets the early voting periods at ten consecutive days under GS 163-287 for special municipal elections that are held at a different time than general State or county elections, primary elections, municipal general elections if the election is within the jurisdiction of the municipality only, or at the same time as any other election requiring all precincts in the county to be open.

No longer refers to mail in absentee voting, just absentee voting, in municipal elections under GS 163-302. Limits early voting in such elections to ten days.

Makes technical changes.

Intro. by Hollo, Daniel, Overcash.

[GS 163](#)

ACTIONS ON BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS

H 198: AMEND LAW ON NOTICE OF ABC VIOLATION.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

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

H 376: VARIOUS ON-SITE WASTEWATER & WELL PROVISIONS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

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

H 377: CHANGES TO ESTATES AND TRUSTS STATUTES.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

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

H 381: ON-SITE WASTEWATER SYSTEM AMENDMENTS.

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

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

H 1019: MIKE CLAMPITT 1ST RESPONDER TAX FAIRNESS ACT.

Senate: Regular Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

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

S 445: REG. RELIEF FOR HOSPITALS IN DISASTER ZONES.

House: Withdrawn From Com

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

S 484: WORKPLACE VIOLENCE PREVENTION/MASS PICKETING.

House: Withdrawn From Com

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

No local actions on bills

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