

The Daily Bulletin: 2026-06-23

PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 34 (2025-2026) [STRENGTHEN MEDICAID PROVIDER CONTROLS. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Feb 3 2025, *AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN MEDICAID PROVIDER CONTROLS AND MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.*

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

Section 3.

Changes the title of GS 108C-4.1 from "Termination for Cause" to "Grounds for adverse termination." Clarifies that the first ground for adverse termination applies when the services for the submitted claim were not actually provided to the individual. Removes the knowledge requirement from the ground for adverse termination listed as number five pertaining to falsifying medical records to support services billed to Medicaid. Modifies the ground for adverse termination listed as seven so that the evidence supporting the described conduct posing a risk to beneficiaries or the Medicaid program must be credible evidence indicating program integrity or safety concerns. Specifies that the qualifying individuals for Medicaid coverage under GS 108A-54.3A(a) must be lawfully present.

Intro. by Lambeth, Zenger, K. Hall.

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

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

H 133 (2025-2026) [NC FARMLAND AND MILITARY PROTECTION ACT.](#) Filed Feb 17 2025, *AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACQUISITION OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS OR LANDS ADJACENT TO MILITARY INSTALLATIONS BY CERTAIN ADVERSARIAL ENTITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DIVESTMENT OF THOSE LANDS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR DOCUMENTATION AND REGISTRATION OF LAND OWNERSHIP BY CERTAIN ADVERSARIAL ENTITIES.*

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

Amends proposed GS 161-14.04, concerning the affidavit that must be recorded when recording a deed or other document conveying an ownership interest in land described in GS 64-63, by adding that the affidavit is not an additional instrument. Adds that attachment of the affidavit required by GS 64-63(f) is the presenter's responsibility and not a recording requirement to be enforced by the register of deeds.

Intro. by Balkcom, N. Jackson, Zenger, Bell.

[GS 64](#)

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Agriculture, Military and Veteran's Affairs

H 162 (2025-2026) [PARKING LOT REFORM/STORMWATER CONTROL. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Feb 21 2025, *AN ACT TO RESTRICT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM REGULATING CERTAIN ASPECTS OF OFF-STREET PARKING SPACES AND TO MODIFY THE AUTHORITY OF CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO REQUIRE STORMWATER CONTROL FOR REDEVELOPED PROPERTY.*

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

Part I.

Expands the types of historic properties in coastal areas where the local government can limit off-street parking under GS 160D-702 to include individual properties on the Study List for the National Register of Historic Properties or a national or State historic landmark as described. Extends the effective date from July 1, 2026 to January 1, 2027.

Intro. by Loftis, N. Jackson, Ward, Kidwell.

[GS 143, GS 160D](#)

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Development, Land Use and Housing, Building and Construction, Land Use, Planning and Zoning, Environment, Local Government

H 565 (2025-2026) [LIMIT USE OF AI MEDICAID/COMMERCIAL INSURANCE. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Mar 27 2025, *AN ACT TO LIMIT THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN HEALTHCARE BILLING AND CLAIMS SUBMISSION.*

Senate committee substitute to the 4th edition makes the following changes.

Amends proposed new GS 90-413, which sets out limitations on AI in healthcare billing, by adding that only the Attorney General may bring an action when a developer or healthcare provider repeatedly fails to comply with the statute, which is an unfair and deceptive trade practice; prohibits private individual from bringing an action.

Intro. by Reeder, Potts, Shepard, Huneycutt.

[GS 58, GS 90, GS 108C](#)

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Government, State Agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers, Health Insurance, Social Services, Public Assistance

H 747 (2025-2026) [2026 WILDLIFE RESOURCES CHANGES. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Apr 2 2025, *AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE WILDLIFE LAWS.*

Senate committee substitute to the 4th edition makes the following changes. Changes the act's short title.

Makes a technical change in GS 143-254.5.

Changes the effective date of Section 2 (concerning lifetime conservationist and wildlife resources license plates) from July 1, 2025, to October 1, 2026.

Changes the effective date of Section 3, which amends various statutes concerning boating safety, from October 1, 2025, to October 1, 2026.

Amends Section 4 to require that the Elk Permits be issued for the 2027 (was, 2026) hunting season; makes a conforming change. Changes the due date of the report on the Permit raffles and auctions from March 1, 2027, to March 1, 2028.

Intro. by Adams, Moss, Clampitt, Turner.

[GS 20, GS 75A, GS 113, GS 143](#)

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Animals, Environment, Environment/Natural Resources, Government, State Agencies, Department of Transportation, Transportation

Senate committee substitute to the 3rd edition makes the following changes. Makes conforming changes to act's long title.

Section 1.

Changes the entity tasked with studying relevant statutes, judicial and clinical practices, and available technological resources to identify areas for systemic improvement in the involuntary commitment (IVC) process in the State from the team comprising the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the Department of Information Technology (DIT), the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) to the NC Collaboratory (Collaboratory). Makes conforming changes. Requires a progress report to be submitted to the specified NCGA committee by December 1, 2026. With a final report due by March 1, 2027 (was, February 1, 2027). Now requires the study to develop proposed clinical workflows, transport guidance, and bench cards, as specified (was, just clinical workflows).

Section 2.

Removes provisions requiring DHHS and the North Carolina Sheriff's Association (Association) to develop a plan for using telehealth to complete the first examinations of individuals in county jails.

Adds provisions requiring the Association to develop a proposal for a pilot program for the Association using telehealth to complete the first examinations of individuals in county jails, including jails willing to participate in the pilot program. Requires the Association to submit the proposal to the specified NCGA committees by March 1, 2027.

Section 6.5 (was, Section 7).

Modifies the scope of the task assigned to DHHS, the Association, and the NC Healthcare Association (new) so that these entities are now requires to study the listed matters related to the development of a Behavioral Health Statewide Central Availability Navigator Updates, instead of implementing the updates. Removes effective date and instead requires DHHS to submit a report to the specified NCGA committee by March 1, 2027. Renumbers the remaining sections accordingly.

Section 7.

Now requires the Collaboratory to submit a progress report to the specified NCGA committees on its study of the differing legal standards governing involuntary commitment and incapacity to proceed to identify statutory revisions that would enhance each system's effectiveness and advance public safety for all individuals involved by December 1, 2026, with the final report now due on March 1, 2027.

Section 8.

Clarifies the scope of the study pertaining to the "revolving door" so that it also includes reporting on what has been examined and reported pursuant to SL 2025-27.

Section 9.

Changes the entity responsible for studying behavioral health care in jails from the Department of Adult Corrections and the Association to the Collaboratory. Includes the Association as one of the relevant stakeholders that should be consulted with as part of the study. Requires a progress report by December 1, 2026, with the final report due to the specified NCGA committee (was, committee and division) by March 1, 2027.

Section 10.

Requires the Collaboratory to seek the assistance of UNC Health in its study on the feasibility of improving the provision of services at Broughton Hospital, Central Regional Hospital, and Cherry Hospital (collectively, the Hospitals). Authorizes UNC Health to make recommendations for the final report. Requires a progress report by December 1, 2026, with the final report due to the specified NCGA by March 1, 2027.

Section 11(b).

Modifies the evaluation of a respondent's history of declining or nonadherence to treatment prong of the evaluation under GS 122C-263 (under the provisions requiring a recommendation of outpatient commitment) so that it also has to include one of the now four enumerated repeated incarcerations, violations, or hospitalizations occurring in the relevant past (was, just a single incarceration, violation, or hospitalization, not repeated occurrences).

Modifies the inpatient commitment order that is authorized under GS 122C-274 so that it must be issued upon finding by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence that the respondent is mentally ill and dangerous to himself, as defined in GS 122C-3(11)a., or others, as defined in GS 122C-3(11)b. Specifies that a finding of noncompliance with an outpatient commitment order creates a rebuttable presumption that the respondent is dangerous to himself, or others. (was, requires a nexus between the respondent's past conduct and the reasonable probability of the respondent's future dangerousness to self or others).

Section 13.

Adds the following new content.

Specifies in GS 15A-532 that pretrial release of a defendant found incapable to proceed is governed by Article 26 (bail) of GS Chapter 15A along with Article 56 (incapacity to Proceed) of the Chapter.

Amends GS 15A-1001 as follows. Makes conforming changes, including to the statute's title. Makes technical changes. Declares the State's policy that persons found to be incapable to proceed should be provided with capacity restoration services whenever feasible and appropriate and that such services should be carried out in as efficient and timely a manner as possible in order to meet the ends of justice for victims, for the public, and for those persons who stand accused of crimes. Lists three services that are considered capacity restoration services, on educational instruction on the criminal justice system, psychoeducational instruction, and other mental health services. Provides civil immunity for an individual, facility, agency, or entity, or officials, staff and employees of these individuals and entities, responsible for the custody, transportation, examination, admission, management, supervision, instruction, treatment, or release of a defendant, unless they are grossly negligent.

Amends GS 15A-1002 (determination of capacity to proceed) so that the court must ensure a record of the determination is transmitted to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System if it finds that the defendant is incapable of proceeding. Makes conforming changes. Sets forth requirements for reports on capacity submitted so that it must include the examiner's opinion whether the defendant is capable or incapable to proceed with all relevant observations and findings. Requires the examiner to report on five listed matters if they determine that the defendant is not capable to proceed. Specifies that if the examiner is unable to provide any of the required opinions, recommendations, or findings, the reasons must be clearly stated in the report. Provides for remote video examinations, as described.

Makes the following changes to GS 15A-1003 so that it sets forth a procedure upon finding that a defendant is incapable to proceed (was, referral of incapable defendant for civil commitment proceedings). Clarifies that a defendant incapable to proceed who is accused of committing a violent crime as described can only be taken to a 24-hour facility as space is available (currently, no mention of available space). Removes provisions for court order if defendant is not subject to involuntary commitment. If the court has found that the defendant is incapable of proceeding but likely to regain that capacity, requires the court to order the defendant to participate in a capacity restoration program, subject to five listed conditions, including duration of enrollment and location of program. Allows the court to waive the capacity restoration requirement if no capacity restoration program is reasonably available to the defendant, or if the court finds that the defendant is expected to gain capacity in the foreseeable future without the need for capacity restoration services, or for other good cause shown. If the court finds that the defendant is not reasonably likely to gain capacity to proceed in the foreseeable future, specifies that the court cannot order the defendant to receive capacity restoration services but instead must consider whether dismissal of the charges is required. Allows for supplemental hearings on this issue. Authorizes the court to determine if a defendant has a mental illness and is either a danger to self or others or in need of treatment in order to prevent further disability or deterioration that would predictably result in dangerousness and therefore meets the criteria for involuntary civil commitment. Allows for a custody order based on those findings. Provides that proceedings thereafter are subject to Part 7 of Article 5 of GS Chapter 122C, subject to the six listed conditions.

Removes provisions of GS 15A-1004 (orders for safeguarding of defendant and return for trial) and replaces the statutory content with content pertaining to the examination and reports required for a defendant lacking capacity, as follows. Requires the clerk to obtain reports every sixty days on a defendant's progress in a capacity restoration program, as described, including a separate report if the defendant is not a suitable candidate for capacity restoration services, requires capacity restoration in a

different setting, or poses an unnecessary risk of danger to program personnel. When a defendant is found incapable to proceed and is placed in the custody or care of a hospital, institution or provider through a proceeding for involuntary civil commitment, requires the court's orders to contain four listed requirements, including reports to the clerk of any expected discharge from commitment. When a defendant found incapable to proceed is placed in the secure custody of a designated person or organization as a condition of release, directs the court to require the supervising person or organization to report to the clerk immediately if it appears that the defendant has gained capacity to proceed. The court may also require a periodic report to the clerk from the supervising person or organization as to the condition of the defendant and the defendant's likelihood of gaining capacity to proceed, to the extent the person or organization is qualified to do so.

Removes the text of GS 15A-1006 (return of defendant for trial upon gaining capacity) and replaces that text with provisions pertaining to the return of defendant for supplemental hearing and trial upon gaining capacity; discharge and return of defendant from involuntary commitment, as follows. Requires the clerk to provide written notice to the district attorney and the defendant's attorney within 72 hours of receiving notice that a defendant has likely gained capacity to proceed to trial. Provides for further written notice to the sheriff, as described, if the defendant is accused of committing a violent crime and regains capacity to proceed. Sets out requirements for supplemental hearings and trial.

Removes the prior content thereof, and makes the following changes to GS 15A-1007 (supplemental capacity hearings). Requires the district attorney to calendar the matter for a hearing within 30 days of receiving notice that the defendant has regained capacity to proceed. Allows for supplemental hearings on capacity. Requires the case to be calendared for trial as soon as possible. Specifies that continuances beyond sixty days of the calendared trial date should only be granted in extraordinary circumstances, as specified. Allows for further capacity restoration services to be ordered if reasonably available as specified. Requires the court to hold a supplemental capacity hearing if any of the following four events occur:

1. When the defendant has been ordered to participate in a capacity restoration program and the program has not reported to the clerk that the defendant has gained capacity to proceed prior to the end of the defendant's enrollment period.
2. Every four months if the court has previously waived the requirement for capacity restoration services.
3. Every four months if the defendant has been found not likely to gain capacity within the foreseeable future and the charges have not already been disposed.
4. When it appears to the court that any of the conditions for disposition have been met.

Allows for the court to hold supplemental hearings on motion or of its own accord. Permits the court to take any action at supplemental hearing that it could have taken at the original hearing, including the three specified.

Provides for a referral for civil commitment proceedings in GS 15A-1008 upon motion by the district attorney prior to dismissal of criminal charges and a court order containing the required findings. Authorized temporary detention of the defendant.

Enacts new GS 15A-1010, providing as follows. Prohibits compelling a defendant found incapable to proceed to trial from taking medication to gain or maintain capacity. Allows the court to order, however, compelled medication of an uncooperative defendant to gain or maintain capacity to proceed, upon either the State or court's motion, if the court finds by clear and convincing evidence all of the following based on circumstances presented that are specific to the defendant in question: (1) the defendant is charged with a serious offense against the person or property, and there are no apparent special circumstances lessening the importance of the government's interest in bringing the defendant to trial, (2) the proposed treatment is reasonable and appropriate for the defendant's mental health condition and its proposed use is consistent with accepted medical standards, (3) the proposed treatment will not cause an unnecessary risk to the defendant's physical or mental health, (4) the proposed treatment is necessary insofar as it is substantially likely to render the defendant competent for trial, and less intrusive means would not further this interest, and (5) the proposed treatment is substantially unlikely to have side effects that undermine the fairness of the defendant's trial. Requires a licensed medical profession to supervise the administration of any ordered treatment, but the course of treatment must be reviewed and authorized by the court and the court may impose any other conditions necessary to protect the defendant's rights to ensure the safety of others. Allows the order to provide multiple alternative courses of treatment in the medical professional's discretion. Allows the court to amend previous compelled medication orders upon motion of the district attorney, defendant's attorney, the court's own motion, or upon notice by the treatment provider that a change in the course of treatment is warranted. Specifies that the statute does not preclude medical treatment of person involuntarily committed. Subjects treatment ordered under the statute to the immunity provisions in GS 15A-1001(e).

Amends GS 122C-54 by amending what must be included in a report by a facility who conducted a court-ordered mental exam of a defendant in a criminal case, so that it must contain all of the matters listed in new GS 15A-1002(b3).

Amends GS 122C-256 by adding and defining the term IBCRP (inpatient-based capacity restoration program). Specifies that IBCRPs are offered by inpatient psychiatric facilities with expertise to provide capacity restoration programming; and requires that the programs be available within the state psychiatric hospital system. Specifies that inpatient treatment is intended for defendants that are likely to benefit from inpatient level of care but who may or not meet involuntary commitment criteria.

Requires DHHS to adopt guidelines by December 1, 2026, for treatment of individuals who are referred under GS 15A-1003 to a detention center capacity restoration program, community-based capacity restoration program, or inpatient based capacity restoration program, incorporating best practices to restore the individual's capacity to proceed to trial in criminal court. Requires the guidelines to be published on DHHS's website.

Amends GS 122C-273 by adding that the administration of medication under a court order for a criminal defendant found incapable to proceed to trial is governed by GS 15A-1010.

Applies to any initial or supplemental capacity hearings conducted on or after December 1, 2026.

Section 14.

Amends Section 1(j) of SL 2025-93 by delaying the effective date of GS 15A-533(b1) (which provided that if a defendant is (1) charged with a violent offense and the judicial official determines that the defendant has previously been subject to an order of involuntary commitment within the prior three years, or (2) charged with any offense and the judicial official has reasonable grounds to believe the defendant is a danger to themselves or others, then the judicial official must set conditions of pretrial release in accordance with the Article and issue an order that includes specified requirements on examination and commitment) from December 1, 2026, to July 1, 2028. Also amends Section 9.5(b) by delaying the effective date of changes to GS 122C-266, inpatient commitment; second examination and treatment pending hearing, from December 1, 2027, to July 1, 2028.

Intro. by Reeder, Blackwell, Miller, Cotham.

[STUDY, GS 15A, GS 90, GS 122C](#)

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[Courts/Judiciary, Court System, Administrative Office of the Courts, Criminal Justice, Corrections \(Sentencing/Probation\), Government, Public Records and Open Meetings, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, UNC System, Department of Adult Correction, Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Information Technology, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers, Mental Health](#)

H 1126 (2025-2026) [2026 DST ADMIN/TECHNICAL/CLARIFYING CHANGES.-AB](#) Filed Apr 29 2026, *AN ACT TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER.*

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

Makes organizational changes to Section 5.3 (changes to GS 116B-59, pertaining to notice by holders to apparent owners). Makes Section 5.3 effective on December 1, 2026.

Section 5.4.

Makes the act's changes to GS 116B-60, report of abandoned property; certification by holders with tax return, effective on December 1, 2026, and applicable to property presumed abandoned on or after that date.

Intro. by Wheatley, Carson Smith.

[STUDY, Edgecombe, Gaston, GS 58, GS 63A, GS 74C, GS 74D, GS 105, GS 113, GS 115C, GS 116, GS 116B, GS 120, GS 122E,](#)

GS 126, GS 127A, GS 128, GS 131A, GS 135, GS 143, GS 143B, GS 143C, GS 147, GS 159, GS 159D

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Development, Land Use and Housing, Community and Economic Development, Property and Housing, Education, Elementary and Secondary Education, Employment and Retirement, Government, General Assembly, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, UNC System, Department of State Treasurer, State Government, State Personnel, Local Government, Military and Veteran's Affairs

H 1173 (2025-2026) [JALEEYAH'S LAW](#). Filed Apr 30 2026, *AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS RELATED TO THE CRIMINAL LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA*.

Senate committee substitute to the 4th edition makes the following changes. Amends the act's long title.

Removes the content of Section 1, which appropriated funds to conference of District Attorneys. Amends GS 7A-304 by increasing the fees charged in criminal cases in superior and district court from \$147.50 to \$177.50 for district court, including cases before a magistrate, and from \$154.50 to \$184.50 in superior court, with funds remitted to the State Treasurer. Applies to court costs assessed on or after December 1, 2026.

Intro. by Bell, Stevens.

[GS 7A, GS 8C, GS 14, GS 15A](#)

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Courts/Judiciary, Evidence, Court System, Criminal Justice, Criminal Law and Procedure

H 1238 (2025-2026) [HONOR 2026 CAROLINA HURRICANES TEAM](#). Filed Jun 23 2026, *A HOUSE RESOLUTION HONORING THE CAROLINA HURRICANES HOCKEY TEAM, WINNER OF THE STANLEY CUP, AS CHAMPIONS OF THE NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE*.

Includes whereas clauses.

Honors the accomplishments and dedication of the Carolina Hurricanes Hockey Club, its owner, and management in winning the 2026 Stanley Cup, in partnering with the State in community and charitable service, and for its perseverance, dedication, and sportsmanlike character during an exemplary season, thrilling playoff, and exhilarating championship.

Intro. by Bell, Paré, Schietzelt.

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Government, Cultural Resources and Museums

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S 801 (2025-2026) [ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY/STUDY & DL. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Apr 21 2026, *AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY PROGRAM TO EXPAND THE ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM TO INCLUDE CERTAIN MILITARY AND SPECIAL OPERATIONS PERSONNEL AND ALLOWING CERTAIN MILITARY AND SPECIAL OPERATIONS PERSONNEL TO BE ISSUED A SUBSTITUTE DRIVERS LICENSE OR SPECIAL IDENTIFICATION CARD*.

Senate committee substitute to the 2nd edition replaces the previous edition in its entirety with the following. Makes conforming changes to act's titles.

Section 1.

Convenes a task force consisting of the Department of Justice, the Administrative Office of the Courts, the Division of Motor Vehicles, the State Board of Elections, and the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs to explore how to protect military personnel, special operations forces, elected officials, and other particularly susceptible to doxing or swatting, including the ten enumerated matters described. Authorizes the task force to consult with the described stakeholders. Directs the task force to report its findings to the NCGA by April 1, 2027, with the described information to be treated as sensitive public security information and not a public record.

Section 2.

Adds new GS 20-37.03, creating a special operations force member (defined) substitute drivers license or special identification card with a substitute address in lieu of the license holder's residence address for any special operations force member, upon payment of the fee to the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) for a duplicate license. Directs that all documents related to the issuance of a substitute license or special identification are to be treated as sensitive public security information and not a public record. Requires the DMV to provide the actual address to law enforcement upon request. Makes conforming changes to GS 132-1.7 to account for the new drivers license.

Intro. by McInnis, Lazzara, Britt.

[STUDY, GS 20, GS 132](#)

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[Courts/Judiciary, Court System, Administrative Office of the Courts, Government, Public Records and Open Meetings, State Agencies, Department of Justice, Department of Military & Veterans Affairs, Department of Transportation, State Board of Elections, Military and Veteran's Affairs](#)

S 1001 (2025-2026) [COASTAL REGULATORY REFORM](#). Filed Apr 30 2026, *AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COASTAL AREA MANAGEMENT ACT APPLICATION PROCESSING RULE TO CLARIFY ADJACENT LANDOWNER NOTICE REQUIREMENTS, TO AMEND UPLAND BASIN DISSOLVED OXYGEN AND FINANCIAL ASSURANCE REQUIREMENTS, TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE UPLAND BASIN PERMITTING STATUTE, TO EXPAND THE PERMISSIBLE USES OF THE COASTAL STORM DAMAGE MITIGATION FUND AND PROVIDE FUNDING, AND TO CLARIFY AGENCY AUTHORITY OVER THE COASTAL RESERVE.*

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

Adds new Section 2 which amends GS 113A-119.1 by increasing the cap on the permit fees under the Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA) permits from \$563 to \$564.

Removes Section 6 of the act which amended GS 143-215.7M, concerning allowable uses of the Coastal Storm Damage Mitigation Fund, and appropriated funds for the Fund.

Intro. by Lazzara, Sanderson.

[GS 113A, GS 143](#)

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[Environment, Aquaculture and Fisheries, Government, State Agencies, Department of Administration, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources \(formerly Dept. of Cultural Resources\), Department of Environmental Quality \(formerly DENR\)](#)

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Senate committee substitute to the 2nd edition makes the following changes. Makes conforming changes to act's long title. Organizes the act into parts, and makes other organizational changes. Makes conforming changes.

Adds the following new content.

Part II.

Makes the following changes to the Cherokee County Tourism Development Authority (Cherokee TDA), set forth in Section 6 of SL 1983-1055, as amended. Sets membership qualifications for the TDA's seven members, including four members actively engaged in the promotion of travel and tourism or collection of the occupancy tax nominated by the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners, one member of the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners, one member nominated by the Town Council of the Town of Murphy and one member nominated by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Andrews who are each actively engaged in the promotion of travel and tourism or the collection of occupancy tax. Directs the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners to appoint the other local government nominees. Specifies that TDA members will serve terms of three years, and no member can serve more than two consecutive full terms unless 12 months has elapsed since the expiration of the member's second full term. Instructs that the act's modifications to appointments and term limits of members of the Cherokee County TDA become incrementally effective upon the expiration of the terms of current members of the TDA and applicable to newly seated members of the TDA thereafter.

Part III.

Modifies the occupancy tax imposed by the Town of Leland under SL 2008-64, as follows. Removes the exemption for nonprofit, religious or other similar organizations when lodging is furnished in furtherance of its nonprofit purposes. Expands the occupancy tax to apply to all town accommodations (currently, applies to accommodations furnished by a hotel, motel, inn, tourist camp, or similar place). Modifies term *tourism-related expenditures* so that it also includes seasonal ocean rescue and lifeguard services, and police and fire overtime pay for festivals and special events funded by occupancy tax proceeds. Modifies the use of two-thirds of the tax proceeds so that it is for travel and tourism (currently, to promote travel and tourism).

Intro. by Pless.

[UNCODIFIED, Brunswick, Cherokee, Haywood](#)

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[Government, Tax](#)

H 1217 (2025-2026) [NORLINA/EVEN-YR ELECT./4-YR STAGGERED TERMS](#). Filed May 4 2026, *AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF NORLINA BE CONDUCTED IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICERS IN THE TOWN OF NORLINA FROM TWO YEARS TO STAGGERED FOUR-YEAR TERMS*.

House committee substitute to the 1st edition makes the following changes. Changes the act's long title.

Further amends Section 4 of the Norlina Town Charter, SL 1947-1020, by removing the added language requiring that the board of commissioners and mayor be nominated and elected as provided in GS Chapter 163 (see Section 12 below instead). Makes other technical and clarifying changes.

Further amends Section 12 of the Norlina Town Charter as follows. Now requires regular municipal elections to be held at the time of the general election (was, on Tuesday following the first Monday in November in the previous edition). Requires that the mayor and board of commissioners be elected on a nonpartisan plurality basis according to GS 163-292. Requires elections to be held and conducted in accordance with the uniform municipal election laws of GS Chapter 163; removes provision allowing the board of commissioners to order a special election and fix the time and manner for that election.

Repeals Section 13-16 of the Norlina Town Charter, which concerned the regulation of elections, nominations, ballots, and the election of the mayor and board of commissioners.

Repeals SL 1969-95, which increased the Norlina board of commissioners from three to five members, and instead amends Section 4 of the Norlina Town Charter to make that change.

Prohibits holding municipal elections (was, regular municipal elections) in Norlina in 2027.

Intro. by R. Pierce.

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S 1076 (2025-2026) [LIMIT ELECTRIC/NATURAL GAS REVENUE USES. \(NEW\)](#) Filed May 5 2026, *AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT FROM TRANSFERRING THE REVENUES OF ITS ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS SYSTEMS TO OTHER MUNICIPAL FUNDS; TO PROHIBIT THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG FROM TRANSFERRING THE REVENUES OF ITS ELECTRIC SYSTEM TO OTHER MUNICIPAL FUNDS; AND TO DISALLOW THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG FROM USING REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.*

House committee substitute to the 2nd edition makes the following changes. Makes conforming changes to act's long and short titles. Makes organizational changes.

Section 1.

Limits the section's changes to GS 159B-39 (permitted uses of revenue from electric power rates) to Rocky Mount. Modifies the effective date so that the changes to GS 159-39 and GS 160A-314.2 are effective when they becomes law and expire on January 1, 2029.

Section 2.

Creates the City of Rocky Mount's Public Utilities Advisory Committee (Committee) in new GS 160A-339 to provide informed citizen review of, and recommendations concerning, the public utilities of the City of Rocky Mount, both within the corporate limits of the City and in the areas outside the corporate limits served by the City. Clarifies that the Committee does not have any authority to manage, operate, maintain, or control the city's public utilities, to fix rates, to expend or hold funds, or to employ or discharge personnel; all such authority is reserved to the City Council and, as delegated, to the City Manager. Specifies that the Committee's nine voting members are comprised of five customers of the city's utility system who reside in the city and four customers of the city's utility system who reside or are located outside the city limits within the utility service area, consisting of one residential customer and one commercial or industrial customer who reside or are located outside the city limits within Nash County and one residential customer and one commercial or industrial customer who reside or are located outside the city limits within Edgecombe County. Provides for three-year staggered terms, an ex officio member, appointments, qualifications, vacancies, quarterly meetings, a chair, and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses if so authorized. Tasks the Committee with reviewing and making recommendations to the City Council concerning the management, operation, maintenance, improvement, and extension of the public utilities of the city, which utilities include electric, natural gas, water, and sewer services, including the six ways described. Provides for information sharing by city staff, including the annual proposed utility budget for review and written recommendation by the Committee. Requires the Committee to submit an annual report to the City Council on its activities, along with any other reports as necessary. Effective July 1, 2027, with the Committee going into effect on July 1, 2028. Provides for initial nomination and appointment process.

Section 3.

Applicable to Louisburg only, modifies GS 159B-39 removing the authorization to transfer revenue derived from rates for electric service to other municipal funds a sum that reflects a rate of return on the investment in the electric system, including removing subsection (c) related to calculating the rate of return and total amount that can be transferred. Clarifies that the repeal of SL 2021-103 is applicable only to the Town of Louisburg.

Intro. by Barnes, B. Newton, Moffitt.

[Edgecombe, Franklin, Nash, GS 160A](#)

ACTIONS ON BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS

H 34: STRENGTHEN MEDICAID PROVIDER CONTROLS. (NEW)

Senate: Amend Adopted A1
Senate: Passed 2nd Reading
Senate: Passed 3rd Reading
Senate: Engrossed

H 83: REVISE LAWS ON MINORS/HUMAN TRAFFICKING. (NEW)

House: Concurred In S Com Sub
House: Ordered Enrolled

H 133: NC FARMLAND AND MILITARY PROTECTION ACT.

Senate: Amend Adopted A1
Senate: Passed 2nd Reading
Senate: Passed 3rd Reading
Senate: Engrossed

H 162: PARKING LOT REFORM/STORMWATER CONTROL. (NEW)

Senate: Amend Adopted A1
Senate: Passed 2nd Reading
Senate: Passed 3rd Reading
Senate: Engrossed

H 198: ABC OMNIBUS OF 2026. (NEW)

House: Cal Pursuant 36(b)
House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2026
House: Withdrawn From Cal
House: Added to Calendar
House: Failed Concur In S Com Sub
House: Conf Com Appointed

H 206: DPS/OTHER CHANGES. (NEW)

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading
Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

H 301: SOCIAL MEDIA & AI SAFETY. (NEW)

House: Failed Concur In S Com Sub
House: Conf Com Appointed

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

House: Conf Com Appointed

H 349: MODIFY HC POA/ADV DIRECT. (NEW)

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading
Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

H 356: VARIOUS CIVIL AND INSURANCE LAW CHANGES. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 372: HOME-BASED BUSINESS FAIRNESS ACT. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 376: WATER/WASTEWATER AFFORDABILITY & CAPACITY ACT. (NEW)

House: Withdrawn From Com

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2026

H 437: DRUG-FREE ZONES/UNAUTHORIZED PUBLIC CAMPING. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 481: PAY EXCEPTIONS/SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE. (NEW)

House: Concurred In S Com Sub

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 517: MODIFY NONPROFIT CORP. ACT/CHARITABLE ORG.

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 565: LIMIT USE OF AI MEDICAID/COMMERCIAL INSURANCE. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

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

H 747: 2026 WILDLIFE RESOURCES CHANGES. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

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

H 925: CONSUMERS IN CRISIS PROTECTION ACT.

House: Withdrawn From Com

House: Withdrawn From Com

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

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

H 936: ROBOCALL SOLICITATION MODIFICATIONS.

House: Failed Concur In S Com Sub

House: Conf Com Appointed

H 1094: FERRY DIV. AUDIT/DOT OMNIBUS. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 1104: IMPROVE IVC PROCESS AND ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

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

H 1126: 2026 DST ADMIN/TECHNICAL/CLARIFYING CHANGES.-AB

Senate: Amend Adopted A1

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

H 1173: JALEEYAH'S LAW.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute
Senate: Com Substitute Adopted
Senate: Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

H 1238: HONOR 2026 CAROLINA HURRICANES TEAM.

House: Filed
House: Passed 1st Reading
House: Added to Calendar
House: Adopted

S 445: REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2026. (NEW)

Senate: Failed Concur In H Com Sub

S 474: ADJUST COUNTIES/REAPPRAISAL MORATORIUM. (NEW)

Senate: Failed Concur In H Com Sub

S 595: VARIOUS REVENUE LAWS CHANGES. (NEW)

Senate: Conf Report #CCS2 Adopted
Senate: Conf Report #CCS2 Adopted
House: Conf Report Adopted 2nd
House: Conf Report Adopted 2nd

S 648: WINTER SPORTS SAFETY AND ACCIDENTS. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav To Concur
Senate: Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 675: CHARITABLE ORGS. PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT. (NEW)

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

S 801: ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY/STUDY & DL. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute
Senate: Com Substitute Adopted
Senate: Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 857: GSC UPDATE FUNERAL BOARD AND DOI LICENSING.

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

S 992: TRUTH IN TAXATION.

Senate: Reptd Fav

S 1001: COASTAL REGULATORY REFORM.

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute
Senate: Com Substitute Adopted
Senate: Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

S 1041: PUBLIC WORKFORCE MODERNIZATION ACT.

House: Passed 1st Reading
House: Ref to the Com on State and Local Government, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
House: Reptd Fav
House: Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

S 1047: REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2026.

Senate: Reptd Fav

S 1057: REQUIRED DISCLOSURES/PROXY ADVISORY SERVICES.

Senate: Reptd Fav

LOCAL BILLS

H 117: OIB/TOPSAIL BEACH PARKING FEES. (NEW)

Senate: Reptd Fav

H 169: HAYWOOD COUNTY OCCUPANCY TAX MODS (NEW).

Senate: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

Senate: Com Substitute Adopted

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

H 1035: VARIOUS LOCAL ELECTION CHANGES III. (NEW)

House: Withdrawn From Com

House: Added to Calendar

House: Concurred In S Com Sub

House: Ordered Enrolled

H 1040: PITT-GREENVILLE AIRPORT AUTHORITY CHANGES.

House: Passed 3rd Reading

H 1215: GARNER TOWN MGR./SETTLE CLAIMS. (New)

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

House: Placed On Cal For 06/24/2026

House: Withdrawn From Cal

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

H 1217: NORLINA/EVEN-YR ELECT./4-YR STAGGERED TERMS.

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

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

H 1220: VARIOUS LOCAL PROVISIONS IX. (NEW)

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Engrossed

H 1222: RECORD DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL VOTES/BRUNSWICK.

Senate: Reptd Fav

S 811: VARIOUS LOCAL PROVISIONS VIII. (NEW)

Senate: Concurred On 2nd Reading

S 1076: LIMIT ELECTRIC/NATURAL GAS REVENUE USES. (NEW)

House: Reptd Fav Com Substitute

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

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