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PUBLIC/HOUSE BILLS

H 56 (2025-2026) **2026 BUDGET TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS. (NEW)** Filed Feb 4 2025, *AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND OTHER CHANGES TO THE CURRENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2026 AND TO OTHER ACTS.*

Conference report replaces the third edition in its entirety with the following.

Makes conforming changes to act's long and short titles.

Part I.

Section 1.1.

Specifies that if Senate Bill 257, 2025 Regular Session (the 2026 Appropriations Act) becomes law, then amends Section 5A.2(a)(2)a to update the statutory cross reference to the 2026 Budget for the \$8 million previously allocated for capital recovery funds for public school facilities. Directs, that notwithstanding the 2026 Budget and related documents, of the programs and funds identified to be transferred to the Helene fund in Section 5A.2(a)(2), if a specified budget fund has insufficient funds to satisfy the specified transfer, then the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) must fully realize the total amount of Helene-related reductions, from prior Helene related appropriations, as specified.

Section 1.2.

If S 257 becomes law, then reduces the amount that the State Controller must transfer under the specified budget codes in Section 5A. 11(a) from \$5 million to \$4.5 million to The Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) for the Town of Fair Bluff for the riverwalk project that was destroyed.

Part II.

Section 2.1.

If S 257 becomes law, then amends Section 7.60(a) so that the savings realized are from students previously attending a public school using scholarship grants to attend a nonpublic school (was, students previously attending nonpublic schools to enroll in private schools).

Section 2.3.

If S 257 becomes law, then modifies the following funds appropriated to DPI for 2026-27: (1) the reduction in requirements of DPI for State Textbook Fund Sunset, set forth in the specified budget codes, is reduced by \$836,594 in recurring funds, with the total revised reduction \$59,409,859; and (2) the reduction in receipts by DPI in the specified budget codes is reduced in those same amounts.

Section 2.4.

If S 257 becomes law, then makes the following changes to Section 7A.7 (pertaining to principal salaries). Sets out an annual salary schedule for principals from July 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026, ranging from a base of \$80,126 for principals with an average daily membership of 0-200 to an exceeded growth of \$120,188 with an average daily membership of over 1,601. Directs that a principal's placement on the applicable salary schedule is determined according to the average daily membership of the school supervised by the principal, and the school growth scores, for each school the principal supervised in at least two of the prior three school years, regardless of a break in service, and provided the principal supervised each school as a principal for at least a majority of the school year. Specifies that a principal is paid on the exceeded growth scale when school growth scores show the school or schools exceeded expected growth in at least two of the prior three school years. Specifies three circumstances that allow the principal to be paid on the met growth scale, and two circumstances that allow the principal to be

paid on the base column. Makes conforming changes to the 2026-27 principal annual salary schedule so that it only applies from January 1, 2027, to June 30, 2027. Changes the date by which DPI must provide a salary supplement to January 31, 2027 (was, October 31, 2026, and March 31, 2027). Replaces references to the October 31, 2026, salary supplement with the 2026 Principal Annual Salary Schedule and the March salary supplement with the payment of the January salary supplement to the 2027 Principal Annual Salary Schedule.

Section 2.5.

If S 257 becomes law, then the following funds appropriated to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina for the 2026-27 are modified as follows: (1) the described budget code is increased by \$2.123 million in nonrecurring funds and \$1million in recurring funds to be allocated to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for the Mountain Area Health Education Center and (2) the described budget code for Healthcare Workforce Programs Expansion is reduced by \$1 million in recurring funds and \$500,000 in nonrecurring funds.

Section 2.6.

Extends the effective date for Section 2.1 (pertaining to the residency determination process for admission of the NC School of Science and Mathematics) in SL 2026-9 from the 2027-28 school year to the 2028-29 school year.

Section 2.7.

If S 257 becomes law, then reallocates \$1 million in nonrecurring funds appropriated to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina and allocated to the University of North Carolina at Greensboro for the 2026-2027 fiscal year for its "Battery Research, Innovation, and Green Energy Harvesting Technology (BRIGHT) Institute" to its "Battery Research, Innovation, and next-Gen energy Harvesting Technologies (BRIGHT) Institute" for the purposes described in that item.

Section 2.8.

If S 257 becomes law, then removes the requirement in GS 115C-562.5 (nonpublic school requirements pertaining to opportunity scholarships), as amended by the act, that test performance data must be submitted to the Authority by July 15 of each year by the nonpublic school.

Part III.

Section 3.1.

If S 257 becomes law, then repeals Section 9E. 19 of the 2026 Budget (modifying GS 108A-58.3, pertaining to cost-sharing) and instead makes the following changes to GS 108A-58.3, as enacted by Section 3C.16 of SL 2026-1, effective July 1, 2027. Exempts dialysis, innovations waiver services, and traumatic brain injury waiver services from the requirement that the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) establish all Medicaid copayments at the maximum allowable under federal law.

Section 3.2.

If S 257 becomes law, then extends the effective dates under Section 9D.4 (pertaining to childcare subsidy rate changes) from July 1, 2026, to October 1, 2026.

Section 3.3.

Specifies that if Senate Bill 595 (Various Revenue Law Changes), 2025 Regular Session, becomes law, adds the following to GS 108A-117.1 (transaction delays and refusals), as enacted by the act. Specifies the rights and remedies under the state are in addition to any rights and remedies for which the parties have contracted. Nothing in this statute limits any contractual rights or remedies.

Section 3.4.

If S 257 becomes law, then Section 9G.6 is amended as follows. Modifies two of the four factors that DMH/DD/SUS must use as part of its competitive, best-value procurement to identify a pool of drug manufacturers with which it may contract with so that DMH/DD/SUS must evaluate the availability of and reliable supply of intranasal or intramuscular opioid antagonist products (was, intranasal and intramuscular opioid antagonist products). Clarifies that the provisions of Section 9G.6 apply only to funds allocated in subdivision (a)(3) of Section 9G.5 (was, Section 9G.5).

Section 3.5.

If S 257 becomes law, then: (1) directs the State Controller to transfer \$500,000 for 2026-27 from the described budget code to OSBM for a directed grant to the Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for their Lake Waccamaw campus and (2) reduces the funds provided as a directed grant to the Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina, Inc., for Carolyn's Kaleidoscope Child Advocacy Center by \$500,000 so it can instead be used by the Boys and Girls Club, as described above.

Section 3.6.

If S 257 becomes law, then decreases funds for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library by \$1 million for 2026-27.

Part IV.

Section 4.1.

Requires that \$750,000 of the funds allocated to Warsaw by Section 12.9(e)(87) of SL 2022-74, as amended, be transferred to OSBM for a directed grant to Warsaw for land purchases related to the expansion of the Town's wastewater treatment system.

Section 4.2.

Provides that if S 257 becomes law, then Section 12.3(a) (amending SL 2021-180 by changing the allocation of \$801,983 from Valdese for extension of water and sewer lines to Burke County for water and wastewater infrastructure projects) is repealed.

Section 4.3.

If S 257 becomes law, then specified funds allocated to the Occupation Safety and Health Division of the Department of Labor may be used by the Commissioner of Labor to support additional positions to perform work considered by the Commission to be necessary and advisable to carry out the Department's statutory duties.

Section 4.4.

If S 257 becomes law, amends GS 143B-437.012(d)92c) by amending the definition of a *pharmaceutical manufacturing employer* for purposes of eligibility under the Job Maintenance and Capital Development Fund to require that the business agree to create and maintain at least 500 new full-time jobs in the county in which the project is located over a period of time spanning 24 months before entering the agreement through the terms of the agreement (was, for the full term of the grant).

Section 4.5.

Allows funds allocated to New Hanover County for water and wastewater projects to be used by the county for any water or wastewater infrastructure project.

Section 4.6.

If S 257 becomes law, then from the funds appropriated to the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, the allocation to the Complete the Trails Fund is reduced by \$5,516,000 in nonrecurring funds, and that amount is allocated instead to the Great Trails Fund.

Section 4.7.

If S 257 becomes law, then of the funds appropriated to the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources for the Great Trails Fund, \$650,000 for 2026-27 is transferred to OSBM for the following directed grants: (1) \$100,000 to Hope Mills, (2) \$50,000 to the Richmond County Sheriff's Department, and (3) \$500,000 to Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina Inc.

Section 4.8.

If S 257 becomes law, Section 11.13 (exempting the Utilities Commission staff from the Human Resources Act) is repealed.

Effective October 1, 2026, if S 1041 (Public Workforce Modernization Act) becomes law, repeals Sections 5.9(f), (g), and (h), which also concerned the Utilities Commission employees.

Part V.

Section 5.1.

If S 257 becomes law, then GS 7A-45.1 and Section 16.24 are amended by correcting cross-references to reflect all of the changes made to GS 7A-45.1 by the act.

Section 5.2.

If S 257 becomes law, Section 17.12 (requiring the Department of Adult Correction to eliminate positions from non-healthcare-related divisions that have been vacant for more than one year) is repealed.

Part VI.

Section 6.1.

If H 1126 (2026 DST Admin/Technical/Clarifying Changes) and S 1041 both become law, then GS 126A-15 is amended so that the definition of *Specialized Treasurer's Office employees* also includes designated employees under GS 135-6(g1) or GS 128-28(h1). Also requires the Revisor of Statutes to replace GS 126-5(c13) with GS 126A-15(6) in GS 135-6(g1)(1) and GS 128-28(h1)(1). Effective October 1, 2026.

Section 6.2.

Adds the following if S 257 becomes law.

Enacts new Section 26.10 providing as follows. Requires that of the funds appropriated in the act to OSBM—Special Appropriations for 2026-27, OSBM must allocate the following directed grants: (1) \$1 million to Book Harvest, (2) \$2.5 million to Camp Grier, (3) \$500,000 to Yanceyville for capital projects, (4) \$200,000 to the Lenoir County Sheriff's Office for capital improvements or equipment, (5) \$500,000 to Charlotte Healthcare Coalition Inc., (6) \$200,000 to Care Ring Inc., (7) \$100,000 to Southeastern Healthcare of North Carolina Inc., (8) \$10,000 to Cabarrus County for Odell Volunteer Fire Department #2.

Also amends the following directed grants allocated by OSBM—Special Appropriations for 2026-27: (1) increases the grant to Yanceyville for water and wastewater infrastructure; (2) changes the grant to the Friends of Craven County Sheriff's Office to Craven County for the same purposes; (3) reduces the grant to Craven County for various capital improvements; (4) increases the grant to Craven County for the sheriff's office for vehicles and related equipment; (5) reduces the grant to Greensboro for water and wastewater infrastructure; (6) reduces the grant to the Greensboro Science Center; (7) reduces the grant to Guilford Technical Community College; (8) reduces the grant to Lenoir County for the Neuseway Nature Center Campground; (9) reduces the grant to Mayodan for Washington Mills Park; (10) reduces the grant to Pleasant Garden for water and wastewater infrastructure; (11) reduces the grant to Yanceyville for capital improvements at the airport; (12) reduces the grant to the Ankise Miheret Bata Lemariam Ethiopian Orthodox Tewhedo Church for their youth school; (13) reduces the grant to Healthstar Community Care; (14) reduces the grant to the Diaper Bank of NC; (15) relocates the grant to ECU for a merit-based scholarship for students attending the fields of finance and artificial intelligence, with preference given to students from Onslow County, to the ECU Business School; (16) changes the use of the grant to Rutherford County—Sheriff's Office Capital from the stated purposes to renovation of the Command Center; (17) requires that the directed grant to the NC Sickie Cell Syndrome Program in DHHS instead provide funds as a grant to the same program; (18) requires that the directed grant to the Sickie Cell Partners of the Carolinas be allocated to the Sickie Cell partners of the Carolinas; (19) changes the use of the grant to Iredell memorial Hospital Inc. for mental health beds to renovations and repairs to facilities within the System; (20) reallocates the grant to King for parking improvements so that it is allocated as a directed grant to the City; (21) reduces the grant to Rowan County for various purposes and requires that it be allocated to all of the listed volunteer fire departments except Odell Volunteer Fire Department #2; (22) reallocates the grant to Marvin Ridge High School Academic Booster Club as a directed grant to the Marvin Ridge High School Athletic Booster Club; (23) reallocates the grant to Fire 14 Revolution Inc. as a directed grant to the same corporation; (24) reallocates the grant to Martin County for a rural emergency care center to the University Health Systems of Eastern Carolina Inc. for the same purpose; (25) requires that the grant to Carteret County General Hospital Corporation for a medical facility in Emerald Isle be allocated to the same entity for medical facilities; (26) changes the title of the grant to Blue Ridge Healthcare System Inc. and requires that it be allocated for infrastructure, equipment, and expansion project needs; (27) allows the grant to Burke River Trail Association for capital improvements to also be used for trail projects and expansion; and (28) reallocates the grant to Burke County—Sheriff's Office for vehicles and other equipment to Burke County instead.

Part VII.

Section 8.1.

If S 257 becomes law, Section 41.2 is amended by correcting internal cross-references.

Section 8.2.

If S 257 becomes law, Section 41.17 is amended by adding that sworn law enforcement employees of the State Bureau of Investigation and Alcohol Law Enforcement whose salaries are not set in the section on June 30, 2026, will receive a 13% raise in the 2026-27 fiscal year, effective July 1, 2026.

Section 8.3.

If S 257 becomes law, then GS 126-5(c1)(8) is amended to exempt from GS Chapter 126 [except as to Articles 6 (Equal Employment and Compensation Opportunity; Assisting in Obtaining State Employment) and 7 (The Privacy of State Employee Personnel Records)], UNC legal affairs professionals, health affairs professionals, and institutional development professionals. Makes those same changes if S 1041 becomes law effective October 1, 2026.

Part IX.

Section 9.1.

If S 257 becomes law, Section 42.1 is amended by increasing the amount for the DPS23-3 and DPS23-7 projects. Also makes changes to those projects under Section 42.2.

Part XI.

Section 11.2.

If S 257 becomes law, then Section 44.3(b) is amended by adding that for the purposes of applying the aggregate annual hospital sales tax refund amounts under GS 105-164.14 and GS 105-467 for fiscal years beginning July 1, 2026, the amounts are to be pro-rated on a daily basis and applied as follows: (1) for refunds issued for purchases made on or after July 1, 2026, and before the date this section becomes law, the portion of the aggregate annual refund amounts attributable to this period must be administered as the law existed before the section's effective date and (2) for refunds issued for purchases made on or after the effective date of this section, the remainder of the aggregate annual refund amounts must be administered according to GS 105-164.14(b)(1).

Section 11.3.

If S 257 becomes law, Section 44.4 is amended by amending GS 105-251.2 by requiring that a person purchasing electricity for use at a qualifying datacenter or an eligible internet datacenter within 30 days of the end of each quarter provide the amount of tax paid on the electricity to the Secretary of Revenue.

Also amends GS 105-164.44K by also subtracting from the 44% of the net proceeds of the tax on electricity that is to be distributed to cities the amount of net proceeds derived from the tax paid on sales of electricity for use at qualifying datacenters and eligible internet datacenters.

Also amends the effective date of Section 44.4 so that it applies to the first billing period that is at least 30 days after enactment and that starts on or after the section's effective date (was, applies to electricity billed on or after the section's effective date for electricity sold on or after that date).

Part XII.

Section 12.1.

If S 257 becomes law, then the totals of Part II of the act are adjusted according to this act.

Section 12.2.

Effective July 1, 2026.

Intro. by Paré, Loftis, Zenger, Tyson.

APPROP, Burke, Cabarrus, Carteret, Caswell, Craven, Duplin, Guilford, Lenoir, New Hanover, Rockingham, Rowan, Rutherford, Stokes, Union, GS 7A, GS 105, GS 115C, GS 126, GS 126A, GS 143B

Agriculture, Courts/Judiciary, Court System, Employment and Retirement, Environment, Environment/Natural Resources, Government, Budget/Appropriations, Public Safety and Emergency Management, State Agencies, UNC System, Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (formerly Dept. of Cultural Resources), Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Labor, Department of Public Instruction, Department of State Treasurer, Office of State Budget and Management, Office of State Controller, State Government, State Personnel, Tax, Local Government, Health and Human Services, Health, Health Care Facilities and Providers, Health Insurance, Social Services, Public Assistance, Nonprofits, Public Enterprises and Utilities

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H 328 (2025-2026) [REGULATE HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLES. \(NEW\)](#) Filed Mar 6 2025, *AN ACT TO CONFORM NORTH CAROLINA HEMP LAW WITH FEDERAL STANDARDS, TO PROHIBIT HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS FROM BEING POSSESSED BY OR SOLD TO PERSONS UNDER AGE TWENTY-ONE, TO UPDATE THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT, TO REGULATE KRATOM PRODUCTS, AND TO ADD XYLAZINE AS A SCHEDULE III CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE.*

Conference report makes the following changes to the 4th edition:

- (1) Moves former Sections 2.(a) and (b) to Section 3.(a) and (b). Changes effective date from December 1, 2025, to when the act becomes law.
- (2) Removes the remaining content of the previous edition.

Adds the following new content.

Section 1

Makes findings.

Amends GS 90-87(13a) defining *hemp* as a plant *Cannabis sativa* (L.) and any part of that plant, whether growing or not, with a total tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of less than 0.3% on a dry weight basis (was, “with a delta 9 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration”). Adds definition of “total tetrahydrocannabinol.”

Adds new GS 90-87(24a) defining *prohibited finished hemp-derived consumable product*.

Amends GS 90-94(b) which lists the Schedule VI controlled substances by amending the exception in subdivision (2) that excludes certain types of tetrahydrocannabinols from the schedule to include products with a total tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of less than 0.3% on a dry weight basis in the exception (was, products with a delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol concentration of less than 0.3%). Adds definition of total tetrahydrocannabinol to the subdivision. Adds new subdivision (4) to include a prohibited finished hemp-derived consumable product in the schedule list.

Effective November 12, 2026, and applies to offenses committed and to products manufactured, sold, delivered, or possessed on or after that date.

Section 2

Enacts GS 14-313.1 prohibiting possession of hemp-derived consumable products under age 21. Defines the following terms: (1) *deliver*, (2) *hemp*, (3) *hemp-derived cannabinoid*, (4) *hemp-derived consumable product*, (5) *hemp product*, (6) *ingestion*, (7) *inhalation*, and (8) *prohibited finished hemp-derived consumable product*. Makes it a Class 2 misdemeanor for: (1) any

person to knowingly sell or deliver a hemp-derived consumable product to a person under 21; or (2) any person under 21 to possess a hemp-derived consumable product. Requires seller of such products to demand proof of age from a prospective purchaser if seller has reasonable grounds to believe the prospective purchaser is under 21. Includes civil penalties for a person who knowingly sells or delivers such product to a person under 21. Establishes liability of retail establishments for violations committed by owners, officers, managers, employees, and agents acting within the scope of employment. Permits Attorney General or district attorney to bring civil action to recover civil penalties. Clarifies that nothing in the statute alters any provisions in Article 5 of GS Chapter 14.

Effective July 15, 2026, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

Section 4

Makes the following updates to the Controlled Substances Act (CSA).

Expands the definition of opiates under GS 90-89 (listing Schedule I controlled substances) to include 40 additional chemical designations. Amends GS 90-89(1a) to change the alternative names for certain fentanyl derivatives. Amends GS 90-89 to enact new subdivision GS 90-89(1b) to include Nitazene derivatives as a Schedule I controlled substance including any of the specified derivatives, their salts, isomers, or salts of isomers unless specifically utilized as part of the manufacturing process by a commercial industry of a substance or material not intended for human ingestion or consumption, as a prescription administered under medical supervision, or for research at a recognized institution, whenever the existence of these salts, isomers, or salts of isomers is possible within the specific chemical designation or unless specifically excepted or listed in this or another schedule, structurally derived from benzimidazole by substitution at the 1-position nitrogen with an ethylamine group, and by substitution at the 2-position carbon with a benzyl group, whether or not the compound is further modified in any of specified ways. Enacts new GS 90-89(1c) to include the described chemical compounds constituting orphine derivatives as a Schedule I controlled substance unless specifically excepted, listed in another schedule, or contained within a pharmaceutical product approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration. Specifies that orphine derivatives include their salts, isomers, and salts of isomers.

Modifies the listed chemical designation for the hallucinogenic substance at GS 90-89(3)mm so it now reads "5-methoxy-N-methyl-N-isopropyltryptamine (5-MeO-MiPT)" (was, same formula but no isopropyltryptamine, just propyltryptamine).

Removes BCP (benzocyclidine) from the list of substituted phenylcyclohexylamines in GS 90-89(3)oo.

Adds bromazolam to systemic depressants listed at GS 90-89(4).

Adds cycloalkyl to the list of substituted cathinones considered stimulants under GS 90-89(5).

Amends GS 90-89(7) (synthetic cannabinoids) to conform to statutory list. Modifies the statutory list of indole carboxamides (GS 90-89(7)l) so that it includes the described compounds substituted in one or both of the listed ways (was, just one of the listed ways). Modifies descriptions of listed substitution at the nitrogen of the carboxamide and adds reference to MDMB-ICA as a substance included in the definition.

Amends GS 90-89(7)(n), indazole carboxaldehydes, to add four additional groups. Modifies GS 90-89(7)(o) to so that it includes the described structurally derived compounds substituted in one or both of the listed ways (was, just one of the listed ways). Modifies descriptions of listed substitution at the nitrogen of the carboxamide so that it can also be derived by methyl 3,3-dimethyl-butanoate group. Deletes APINCACA as a substance and adds four more substances in the class. Adds four more substances (oxindoles, indole acetamides, indazole acetaldehydes, and pyrazoles) to the list of synthetic cannabinoids, as described.

Amends GS 90-90(2)h1 (pertaining to Schedule II controlled substances that are opioids/opiates) to read as follows: fentanyl immediate precursor chemical 4-anilino-N-phenethylpiperidine (ANPP) [(was, Fentanyl immediate precursor chemical, 4-anilino-N-phenethyl-4-piperidine (ANPP)]. Amends GS 90-91(k)11 (Schedule III controlled substances that are anabolic steroids) to change listing to Dehydrochloromethyltestosterone (was, Dehydrochlormethyltestosterone) and GS 90-91(k)16 to Mesterolone (was, Mesterolene).

Applies to offenses committed on or after December 1, 2026.

Section 5

Enacts new GS 14-401.28 making it a Class 2 misdemeanor for any person: (1) to knowingly sell or deliver a synthetic kratom product to any other person, (2) to knowingly possess a synthetic kratom product, (3) to knowingly sell or deliver a kratom product to a person who is under age 21 (requires a person engaged in the sale of kratom products to demand proof of age from a prospective purchaser if the person has reasonable grounds to believe that the prospective purchaser is under age 21), and (4) who is under age 21 to possess a kratom product. Defines kratom, kratom product, and synthetic kratom product.

Amends GS 7A-304 by amending court costs assessed when a criminal defendant in superior or district court is convicted or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or when the costs are assessed against the prosecuting witness, so that the \$600 for services of the (1) NC State Crime Laboratory facilities or (2) any crime laboratory facilities, can be assessed in cases where kratom or synthetic kratom products are analyzed.

Applies to offenses committed on or after July 15, 2026.

Section 6

Amends GS 90-91(b) by adding Xylazine to the list of Schedule III controlled substances. Applies to offenses committed on or after December 1, 2026.

Intro. by Cunningham, Loftis, Lambeth, Potts.

[GS 14, GS 18D, GS 90, GS 115C, GS 116](#)

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H 1243 (2025-2026) [ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION](#). Filed Jul 2 2026, *A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2025 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND PROVIDING FOR THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING.*

Provides that when the House and Senate adjourn on July 2, 2026, they stand adjourned to reconvene on July 27, 2026. Limits what can be considered during that session to the following:

1. Bills directly and primarily affecting the State budget including, the budget of an occupational licensing board for 2026-27 and bills authorizing a fee for a unit of State government or political subdivision so long as a draft is provided to bill drafting by no later than 4:00 PM on April 13, 2026, and introduced in the House of Representatives or filed for introduction in the Senate by no later than 4:00 PM on April 30, 2026.
2. Bills proposing amendments to the NC Constitution, as described, or making statutory or transitional changes to implement these bills.
3. Bills and resolutions introduced in 2025 that: (1) passed third reading in 2025 in the house in which introduced, were received in the other house and not disposed of in the other house by tabling, unfavorable committee report, indefinite postponement, or failure to pass any reading and which do not violate the rules of the receiving house or (2) not subject to the deadline set forth in the described Senate and House rules.
4. Bills and resolutions implementing the recommendations of the five listed types of commissions and committees, including the General Statutes Commission, Courts Commission, study commissions, the House Ethics Commission, select committees, and the Joint Legislative Ethics Committee or its Advisory Subcommittee. Requires such bills to be submitted to bill drafting by April 13, 2026, and introduced in the House of Representatives or filed for introduction in the Senate by no later than 4:00 PM on April 29, 2026.
5. Any local bill that has been submitted to bill drafting By April 13, 2026, and introduced in the House of Representatives or filed for introduction in the Senate by no later than 4:00 PM on May 5, 2026.
6. Bills for selection, appointment, or confirmation as required by law, including the filling of vacancies of positions for appointees elected by the NCGA upon recommendation of the Speaker of the House, President of the Senate, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or minority leader.
7. Bills for action on gubernatorial nominations or appointments.

8. Any matter authorized by joint resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of the members of each chamber present and voting. A bill or resolution filed in either house under these provisions must have a copy of the ratified enabling resolution attached to the jacket before filing for introduction in either chamber.
9. A joint resolution authorizing the introduction of the above-described bill.
10. Bills affecting State or local pension or retirement systems so long as a draft is provided to bill drafting by no later than 4:00 PM on April 13, 2026, and introduced in the House of Representatives or filed for introduction in the Senate by no later than 4:00 PM on April 30, 2026.
11. Bills vetoed by the Governor solely for the purpose of considering overriding of the veto upon reconsideration of the bill.
12. Joint and simple resolutions authorized under the specified chamber rules.
13. Bills responding to actions related to litigation challenging the legality of legislative enactments.
14. Bills relating to election laws, including bills concerning the districts for Congressional, State House, State Senate, judicial, municipal, county, and other elected officials.
15. Bills to disapprove rules under GS 150B-21.3.
16. Bills providing for impeachment.
17. A joint resolution further adjourning the 2025 Regular Session, amending a joint resolution adjourning the 2025 Regular Session, or adjourning the 2025 Regular Session, sine die.

Intro. by Bell.

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6. Bills for selection, appointment, or confirmation as required by law, including the filling of vacancies of positions for appointees elected by the NCGA upon recommendation of the Speaker of the House, President of the Senate, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or minority leader.
7. Bills for action on gubernatorial nominations or appointments.
8. Any matter authorized by joint resolution passed by a two-thirds majority of the members of each chamber present and voting. A bill or resolution filed in either house under these provisions must have a copy of the ratified enabling resolution attached to the jacket before filing for introduction in either chamber.
9. A joint resolution authorizing the introduction of the above-described bill.
10. Bills affecting State or local pension or retirement systems so long as a draft is provided to bill drafting by no later than 4:00 PM on April 13, 2026, and introduced in the House of Representatives or filed for introduction in the Senate by no later than 4:00 PM on April 30, 2026.
11. Bills vetoed by the Governor solely for the purpose of considering overriding of the veto upon reconsideration of the bill.
12. Joint and simple resolutions authorized under the specified chamber rules.
13. Bills responding to actions related to litigation challenging the legality of legislative enactments.
14. Bills relating to election laws, including bills concerning the districts for Congressional, State House, State Senate, judicial, municipal, county, and other elected officials.
15. Bills to disapprove rules under GS 150B-21.3.
16. Bills providing for impeachment.
17. Adoption of conference reports.
18. Bills returned to the originating house for concurrence.
19. Bills introduced during the session that convened on April 21, 2026
20. A joint resolution further adjourning the 2025 Regular Session, amending a joint resolution adjourning the 2025 Regular Session, or adjourning the 2025 Regular Session, sine die.

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ACTIONS ON BILLS

PUBLIC BILLS

H 56: 2026 BUDGET TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS. (NEW)

House: Conf Com Reported

House: Added to Calendar

Senate: Conf Com Reported

Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar

House: Conf Report Adopted

Senate: Conf Report Adopted

House: Ordered Enrolled

House: Conf Com Reported

House: Added to Calendar
Senate: Conf Com Reported
Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar
House: Conf Report Adopted
Senate: Conf Report Adopted
House: Ordered Enrolled
House: Ratified
House: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

H 133: NC FARMLAND AND MILITARY PROTECTION ACT.

House: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

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

House: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

H 199: AUTHORIZE MUNICIPAL DEANNEXATION. (NEW)

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

H 206: DPS/OTHER CHANGES. (NEW)

House: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

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

Senate: Conf Com Reported
Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar
Senate: Conf Report Adopted

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

House: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

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

House: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

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

House: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

H 747: 2026 WILDLIFE RESOURCES CHANGES. (NEW)

House: Ratified

H 920: VIRTUAL CURRENCY KIOSK CONSUMER PROT. ACT. (NEW)

House: Ratified

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

House: Conf Report Adopted
House: Ordered Enrolled
House: Ratified
House: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

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

House: Ratified

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

House: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

H 1173: JALEEYAH'S LAW.

House: Ratified

H 1243: ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION.

House: Filed

House: Rules Suspended

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Added to Calendar

House: Withdrawn From Cal

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

H 1244: ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION.

House: Filed

House: Rules Suspended

House: Passed 1st Reading

House: Added to Calendar

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Special Message Sent To Senate

Senate: Special Message Received From House

Senate: Passed 1st Reading

Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar

Senate: Passed 2nd Reading

Senate: Passed 3rd Reading

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

House: Ratified

House: Ch. Res 2026-5

S 257: 2026 APPROPRIATIONS ACT. (NEW)

House: Conf Report Adopted 3rd

Senate: Conf Report Adopted 3rd

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

House: Conf Report Adopted 3rd

Senate: Conf Report Adopted 3rd

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

Senate: Ratified

Senate: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

S 355: SUPPORT THE DEPT. OF ADULT CORRECTION.-AB

Senate: Withdrawn From Com

Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar

Senate: Concurred In H Com Sub

Senate: Ordered Enrolled

Senate: Ratified

Senate: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

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

House: Conferees Changed

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

Senate: Ratified

Senate: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

S 528: HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES REVISIONS. (NEW)

House: Conf Com Appointed

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

Senate: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

S 857: GSC UPDATE FUNERAL BOARD AND DOI LICENSING.

Senate: Pres. To Gov. 7/2/2026

S 1041: PUBLIC WORKFORCE MODERNIZATION ACT.

Senate: Ratified

S 1088: APPT. FLOYD MCKISSICK NC UTILITIES.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

House: Added to Calendar

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

S 1089: APPT. MELANIE BUSH DIVISION OF HEALTH BENEFIT.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

House: Added to Calendar

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

S 1090: APPT JOHN GAJDA UTILITY COMMISSION.

House: Reptd Fav

House: Cal Pursuant Rule 36(b)

House: Added to Calendar

House: Passed 2nd Reading

House: Passed 3rd Reading

House: Ordered Enrolled

LOCAL BILLS

H 116: JACKSONVILLE ANNEXATION & CONFORMING CHANGES. (NEW)

House: Conf Report Adopted 2nd

Senate: Conf Rpt Recon/withdrawn

Senate: Conf Report Passed 2nd

H 169: HAYWOOD/CHEROKEE/LELAND OCC. TAX. MODS. (NEW).

House: Withdrawn From Cal

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

H 332: NASH/ROCKY MOUNT OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES. (NEW)

House: Ruled Not Material By Speaker

House: Concurred In S Com Sub

House: Ordered Enrolled

House: Ratified

H 1040: PITT-GREENVILLE AIRPORT AUTHORITY CHANGES.

House: Ratified

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

House: Ratified

H 1220: VARIOUS LOCAL PROVISIONS IX. (NEW)

House: Ruled Not Material By Speaker

House: Conf Report Adopted

Senate: Placed on Today's Calendar

Senate: Conf Report Adopted

House: Ordered Enrolled

House: Ratified

H 1222: RECORD DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL VOTES/BRUNSWICK.

House: Ratified

S 876: VARIOUS LOCAL PROVISIONS X. (NEW)

Senate: Ratified

S 1074: EDEN/MILLS RIVER/GUILFORD ART 46 LOCAL ACT. (NEW)

Senate: Ratified

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

Senate: Ratified

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