

North Carolina Legislative Update, February 17, 2017

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Eminent Domain (HB3)

A bill that seeks to amend the State's Constitution to prohibit the exercise of eminent domain to condemn private property except for public use passed through the House this week after being approved by the House Judiciary I Committee. If approved, the matter would be on the ballot in November 2018 for a statewide vote.

HB2 Repeal Proposal (HB107)

House Democratic Leader Darren Jackson filed Governor Cooper's HB2 compromise repeal bill (HB 107) this week. The proposal would repeal the law, strengthen punishments for crimes committed in restrooms, and require local governments considering the approval of nondiscrimination ordinances to give 30 day's notice to the Legislature prior to enacting them. The leaders of both chambers have criticized the bill and Speaker Tim Moore has said it does not have the support of the House. HB107 is the fourth HB2 repeal bill to be filed this session.

Public School Funding (HB6 and SB9)

The House K-12 Education Committee discussed bills introduced in both chambers that would change the formula by which public schools get state funding. The proposals would create a task force to study different ways to distribute money to our state's school systems with the intention of moving the state toward a weighted student funding model.

UNC Board of Governors Reduced (HB39)

After quickly passing through the House last week, HB39, a bill that would reduce the size of the UNC Board of Governors from 32 to 24 members by 2019, passed its second reading in the Senate this week and is expected to pass that chamber next week. The President of the University System and the UNC System Board have not taken a public position on the bill.

Savings Reserve (HB7)

The House passed a bill (HB 7) that would strengthen the Savings Reserve (often called the "Rainy Day Fund") this week after approving an amendment to exclude the Highway Trust Fund. The bill, which was the product of an interim Legislative Research Commission, requires that 15 percent of each year's revenue growth from the prior year be deposited into the Reserve. It would also limit legislators from withdrawing more than 7.5 percent of the previous fiscal year's operating budget, unless both chambers agreed to a higher amount with a two-thirds majority. A similar bill (SB 14) was introduced in the Senate this week.

Bills Filed

House Bills

H87

ESSA Plan Submission.

H88

Modernize Nursing Practice Act.

H89

Housing Authority Transfers.

H90

Eliminate NC Final Exam.

H91

Require Safety Helmets/Under 21.

H92

Blue Ribbon Committee/Transportation Funding.

H93

School Calendar Flex./Certain School Systems.

H94

Emergency Management/Drone Use.

H95

GTP Truck Deliveries to Port/Night Travel.

H96

Adopt State Fried Chicken Festival.

H97

Arts Education Requirement.

H98

Crim. Offense/Vandalize Fire & EMS Equipment.

H99

The Antidiscrimination Act of 2017.

H100

Restore Partisan Elections/Sup. & Dist. Court.

H101

Local Firefighter Relief Fund Eligibility.

H102

NC Adopt Equal Rights Amendment.

H103

Equal Tax Treatment of Gov't Retirees.

H104

Auto Insurance/Protect Lienholders.

H105

Const. Amendment-Limit Governor/LG to 2 Terms.

H106

School Calendar Flexibility/Cabarrus County.

H107

Common Sense Compromise to Repeal HB 2.

H108

School Calendar Flex./Mecklenburg County.

H109

Fayetteville Annexation.

H110

DOT/DMV Changes.

H111

Winston-Salem/Service by Publication Cost.

H112

School Calendar Flex./Forsyth County.

H113

Pvt Action Local Compliance/Immigration Laws.

H114

2017 House Permanent Rules.

H115

Retirement Technical Corrections Act of 2017.-AB

H116

Student Safety in Athletics.

H117

Protect Students in Schools.

H118

U.S. Army Special Forces Registration Plate.

H119

Clarify Vacancy Elections - County Commission.

H120

National Guard Can Purchase From CE.

H121

School Calendar Flex./Certain School Systems.

H122

Discovery Not Disseminated to Defendant.

H123

Registration Discretionary for Sexual Battery.

H124

Courts Comm'n/Study Judicial Districts.

H125

Threatened Weapon Inc. in First-Deg Rape.

H126

Conduct and Discipline for Magistrates.

H127

Transylvania Co. Bd. Ed./Election Nonpartisan.

H128

Prohibit Drone Use Over Prison/Jail.

H129

NC LEAF Funds.

H130

Funding to State Crime Lab.

H131

Motions for Appropriate Relief.

H132

High Achieving Tuition Scholarships.

H133

Elect the State Board of Education.

H134

Pistol Permit/Mental Health Record to Sheriff.

H135

Technical Changes to Courses of Study Statute.

Senate Bills

S71

17th Senatorial District Local Act-1.

S72

15th Senatorial District Local Act-1.

S73

Modernize Nursing Practice Act.

S74

Update Rabies Control Laws.

S75

Const. Amd. - Max. Income Tax Rate of 5.5%.

S76

Permit Nighttime Hunting of Coyotes.

S77

Public Meetings/Records Law Violations.

S78

Cost to Comply/Fed Ed Funds/PED Study.

S79

Permanent License Plates for REACT.

S80

46th Senatorial District Local Act-1.

S81

Sales Tax Economic Nexus For Remote Sales.

S82

Revenue Laws Technical Changes.

S83

Raise Awareness of Lupus.

S84

Equality For All/Repeal HB2.

S85

NC Adopt Equal Rights Amendment.

S86

35th Senatorial District Local Act-1.

S87

Allow Election Day Service - Retired LEOs.

S88

Landlord/Tenant-Alias & Pluries Summary Eject.

S89

Office of State Auditor/Corrective Action/PED.

S90

Enhance Oversight of Service Contracts/PED.

S91

4th Senatorial District Local Act-1.

S92

Maintenance Bond for Subdivision Roads.

S93

Common Sense Compromise to Repeal HB 2.

S94

Elections Transparency.

S95

12th Senatorial District Local Act-1.

S96

Study/Marketing Global TransPark.

S97

Global TransPark/Plan and Report.

S98

9th Senatorial District Local Act-1.

S99

DOI to Report Certain CTR Data.

S100

Aerial Adventure Financial Responsibility.

S101

School Calendar Flex./Person County.

S102

Local Firefighter Relief Fund Eligibility.

S103

Fayetteville Annexation.

S104

Require Criminal BGC/Pharmacist Licensure.

S105

Fairmont/Voluntary Annexation.

S106

Nat. Guard Reemployment Rights/Arbitration.

S107

Streamline Dam Removal.

S108

Funds/Greene County Multipurpose Center.

S109

Hate Crime Against Emergency Worker.

S110

School Calendar Flex./Certain School Systems.

S111

State Agencies Must Use eProcurement/PED.

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