

North Carolina Legislative Update, February 24, 2017

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Public School Funding (HB6)

The House passed HB6 this week which will create a task force to study and recommend changes to the State's school funding formula. Two amendments to increase diversity of the task force failed on the floor. Representative C. Graham (D-Roberson) ran an amendment to require more members of the minority party be appointed to the task force, while Representative Insko (D. Orange) ran an amendment that would require cultural and ethnic diversity.

Partisan Judicial Elections (HB100)

A bill that would require the political party of a judicial candidate be listed on the ballot passed the House this week after a heated debate on the floor.

Secretary Hall Confirmation Hearing

The Senate Insurance and Commerce Committee held two meetings this week to evaluate Military and Veteran Affairs Secretary Larry Hall this week. Secretary Hall was not in attendance at either meeting sparking controversy. The Committee moved to issue a subpoena to Secretary Hall to attend a future meeting.

HB2 Repeal (HB186)

Representative McGrady filed a bipartisan bill this week that addresses the controversial HB2. The bill would repeal HB2 while limiting the ability of local governments to pass nondiscrimination ordinances among other measures.

Teacher Pay

On Monday Governor Cooper announced that, in an effort to raise teacher pay to the national average in the next five years, his budget calls to increase teacher pay by 5 percent over the biennium.

Bills Filed

House Bills

H136

Lower Compulsory Attendance Age From 7 to 6.

H137

Study HRC Fair Emp. Practice Agency Status.

H138

Revise Gang Laws.

H139

Mental Health Workers' Bill of Rights.

H140

Dental Plans Provider Contracts/Transparency.

H141

Maintenance Bond for Subdivision Roads.

H142

Increase Oversight of OLBs.

H143

Sanford Occupancy Tax.

H144

Credit Union/Trust Institution Changes.

H145

Repeal Const. Reg. of Concealed Weapons.

H146

Citizen's Allegiance to U.S. Constitution.

H147

Amend NC Constitution - Remove Secession.

H148

Amend NC Constitution - Literacy Requirement.

H149

Students W/Dyslexia and Dyscalculia.

H150

Standards for Chiropractic Peer Review.

H151

Stanly Cty/Economic Development Commission.

H152

Hate Crime/Increase Scope & Penalty.

H153

Filling Vacancy/Onslow County Board of Comm.

H154

Gastonia Charter Revisions.

H155

Modify Educator Licensure Requirements.

H156

Eyeglasses Exemption From Medicaid Capitation.

H157

Certifying Question Mechanism.

H158

Special Assessments/Critical Infrastructure.

H159

Charter School TSERS Election.

H160

Forfeiture of Retirement Benefits/Judges.

H161

Divestment From Companies That Boycott Israel.

H162

Amend Administrative Procedure Laws.

H163

Enact Right to Life at Conception Act.

H164

Check-Off Donation: Cancer Screening.

H165

Citizens Review Boards Established.

H166

School Calendar Flexibility/Cleveland County.

H167

School Calendar Flex./Franklin County.

H168

Study/Damage From ATV Use.

H169

Kappa Alpha Psi/Special Plate Fee.

H170

Pilot/Sports for Students With Disabilities.

H171

Change Exclusion for Solar Energy Systems.

H172

Include Solar Property as Nonsystem Property.

H173

Revisions to Outdoor Advertising Laws.

H174

Concealed Carry/Church School Prop.

H175

DEQ/Emphasize Urban Env't'l Issues.

H176

Pensions Integrity Act of 2017.-AB

H177

Eliminate Second Primaries.

H178

Expand Human Relations Commn. EEOC Authority.

H179

Dog Breeding Stds./Law Enforcement Tools.

H180

Nat. Guard Reemployment Rights/Arbitration.

H181

First Responders Act of 2017.

H182

Leadership Term Limits.

H183

Retirement Admin. Changes Act of 2017.-AB

H184

Certain Towns/Sewer Fee Collections.

H185

Legalize Medical Marijuana.

H186

Repeal HB2/State Nondiscrimination Policies.

H187

Modernize Physical Therapy Practice.

H188

School Calendar Flex./Certain Systems.

H189

Search & Rescue Name/Funds.

H190

Local Firefighter Relief Fund Eligibility.

H191

2017 House UNC Board of Governors Election.

H192

Establish Music Therapy Practice Act.

H193

Legislative Four-Year Terms.

H194

SBCC Elections.

H195

Visual Record/LEO Interrogation of Suspect.

H196

Zip Lines/Challenge Courses/Sanders' Law.

H197

Study/Distracted Driving & Road Rage.

Senate Bills

S112

24th Senatorial District Local Act-1.

S113

Credit Union/Trust Institution Changes.

S114

Annual Report Modernization.

S115

Proctorville/Sewer Fee Collections.

S116

Auto Insurance/Protect Lienholders.

S117

Forfeiture of Retirement Benefits/Judges.

S118

Special Assessments/Critical Infrastructure.

S119

Pisgah Conservancy Special Registration Plate.

S120

Sec. Military/Veterans Affairs Confirmation.

S121

Supreme Court Bicentennial Celebration.

S122

Repeal Centerville Charter.

S123

Release of LEO Recordings.

S124

LEO Managed CBD Oil Drop Box.

S125

Children of Wartime Veterans Modifications.

S126

Change the LOST Adjustment Factor.

S127

1st Senatorial District Local Act-1.

S128

Kappa Alpha Psi/Special Plate Fee.

S129

Track Outcomes of Veterans Programs.

S130

Provide Funding/NC Military Business Center.

S131

Regulatory Reform Act of 2016.

S132

12th Senatorial District Local Act-1.

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