

PROGRAM EVALUATION DIVISION

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Status of JLPEOC-Recommended Bills as of May 11, 2020

Topic	Bill Summary	House Status	Senate Status
CPS Intake Screening	This bill (1) prohibits county departments of social services from implementing child protective services intake screening criteria that are more stringent than, or in addition to, state policy and (2) requires the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services, to make various policy changes as a means to improve the child protective services intake screening process.	H1048 (Horn) – House Judiciary	S708 (Edwards, Krawiec, Burgin) – Senate Rules
DEQ Organizational Structure	This bill requires the Department of Environmental Quality to (1) justify and identify ways to eliminate narrow spans of control (supervisors supervising three or fewer employees) in certain units and (2) develop a business plan and return on investment analysis for the Permitting Transformation Project.	H1049 (Horn, Fraley) — House Environment	
Low- Performing School Districts	This bill requires that (1) low-performing LEAs include early childhood planning in improvement plans and (2) comprehensive needs assessments for low-performing LEAs include analysis of early childhood learning.	H1050 (Horn, Fraley, Clemmons) — House Education - K-12	
Student Financial Assistance	This bill (1) makes various changes related to postsecondary educational financial aid programs to ensure that state funds are fully expended for those programs and (2) directs the State Education Assistance Authority and certain other state agencies to make necessary improvements to the administration of those programs and report to the General Assembly on those improvements.	H1052 (Horn, Lucas, Fraley, Clemmons) — Education - Universities, Appropriations	
Military Occupational Licensure	This bill (1) clarifies statutory language requiring an expedited occupational licensure application response deadline of 30 days when an applicant is a military-trained applicant; (2) requires an expedited response when an applicant is a military spouse; and (3) requires each occupational licensing board's website and the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs's website to summarize the opportunities available to veterans and military spouses.	H1053 (Horn, Lucas) — House Judiciary	
State Ports Efficiency & Effectiveness	This bill (1) requires the Ports Authority to include in its five-year strategic planning process the implementation of measures to address port utilization, throughput, gate times, and ship turnaround times at the Port of Morehead City and adequately assess the service quality of the ports; (2) revises current law to give the Ports Authority the discretion to decide where container operations are provided; and (3) requires the Ports Authority to annually update the General Assembly transportation committees on the implementation of an environmental management system.	H1058 (Horn, Hurley) — House Transportation	S707 (Ford, B. Jackson) — Senate Rules
ABC Administrative Penalties	This bill directs the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission to (1) create a policy that establishes a rationale for administrative penalties and improves transparency for permittees; (2) report on the feasibility of implementing a throughput-based or sales-based penalty structure for determining monetary penalties for administrative violations; and (3) include effectiveness criteria on its website or in its annual report to evaluate the effectiveness of penalties at reducing the number of repeat offenders.		