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^{*}Resigned January 6, 2021 †Appointed January 11, 2021

SENATE JOURNAL 2021 SESSION

FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, January 13, 2021

In accordance with law, as set forth in the Constitution of the State of North Carolina and G.S. 120-11.1, the Senate of the General Assembly of North Carolina assembles this day at the hour of 12:00 p.m. in the Senate Chamber of the Legislative Building in the City of Raleigh.

The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate, calls the Senate to order.

The President extends courtesies of the gallery to the families and guests of the Senators-elect.

The President extends courtesies of the gallery to his wife and guests.

The President recognizes the Sergeant-at-Arms of the 2019 Session, who announces the presence of The Honorable Tamara Barringer and The Honorable Philip Berger, Jr., Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, at the doors of the Senate Chamber. The President directs the Sergeant-at-Arms to open the doors and escort the members of the judiciary to their seats.

The President recognizes the Sergeant-at-Arms, who announces the presence of the Three Heath Brothers of Thomasville, North Carolina, at the doors of the Senate Chamber. The President directs the Sergeant-at-Arms to open the doors and escort the guests to the well of the chamber.

The President introduces The Reverend Doctor Dion Clark, wife of Senator Ben Clark of Hoke County, who offers prayer as follows:

"Our Father, who art in heaven; hallowed be thy name. Dear God, we come before you today, united in our eternal need for your wisdom and guidance, your love and your grace. We ask that you bless this Senate and every Senator as they seek to do good for the people of this state. We pause today to remember Officers Brian Sicknick and Howard Liebengood, who gave their lives in support for, and protection of, the cause of democracy; the same democracy that every member of this body is charged to support and protect. Lord, grant these members courage and compassion. Let them be guided every day by conviction and character. Let them find ways to compromise and cooperate as they work to serve the citizens who have vested so much confidence in them. We ask a special prayer for the President of this Senate, Lieutenant Governor Mark K. Robinson. We pray that he learns this job, loves this job, and leaves a good legacy in this job. We ask a

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special prayer for the President *Pro Tempore* of this Senate, Senator Philip E. Berger, Sr. We pray that he leads well and that he reaches across the aisle with an open hand and an open mind, seeking consensus whenever and wherever he can. We also ask a special prayer for the Minority Leader of this Senate, Senator Daniel T. Blue, Jr. We pray that he leads well and that he reaches across the aisle with an open hand and open mind, seeking consensus whenever and wherever he can. As these leaders follow you, Lord, we pray the members follow them—in service to a great state and great people. We pray that you keep every member, every staff member, every journalist, every lobbyist, and every citizen that will journey through these halls safe from all harm. We pray for safe passage as members travel from far and near on the state's highways and back roads to reach the Capitol and carry out their sworn duties day and night for months. Finally, Lord, we thank you for simply letting us be here during this extraordinary period in history. Who knows if perhaps we were called for just such a time as this. We humbly ask these blessings in the matchless name of your Son, Jesus the Christ. Amen."

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

The President directs the Sergeant-at-Arms to open the doors of the chamber for the Presentation of the Colors by the Marine Corps Junior ROTC Color Guard from South Stokes High School in Walnut Cove, North Carolina.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by the President, members and guests remain standing and pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The President recognizes the Three Heath Brothers of Thomasville, North Carolina, who sing "The Star-Spangled Banner."

CALL OF THE ROLL/ELECTION CERTIFICATION

The Chair directs the clerk to call the roll by Senatorial District, pursuant to the certification of election received from the Secretary of State, The Honorable Elaine F. Marshall:

I, Elaine F. Marshall, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the State Board of Elections met Tuesday, the 24th day of November, A.D., 2020 in accordance with Chapter 163 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, at which time the Board did open, canvass and judicially determine the returns of votes cast in the election held on Tuesday, November 3rd, 2020 and certified to me the persons duly elected as members of the Senate from the various Senate Districts comprising of more than one county, and all others have been certified to me in the abstracts by the State Board of Elections as having the highest number of votes cast in the election for the Senate from districts composed of one county only, for the General Assembly of 2021 to wit:

DISTRICT NAME

First District Bob Steinburg

Second District
Third District
Fourth District
Norman W. Sanderson
Ernestine (Byrd) Bazemore
Milton F. (Toby) Fitch, Jr.

Fifth District Don Davis

Sixth District Michael A. Lazzara

Seventh District
Eighth District
Ninth District
Tenth District
Eleventh District
Twelfth District

Seventh District

Jim Perry
Bill Rabon
Michael Lee
Brent Jackson
Lisa Stone Barnes
Jim Burgin

Thirteenth District Danny Earl Britt, Jr.

Fourteenth District Dan Blue

Fifteenth District Jav J. Chaudhuri Wiley Nickel **Sixteenth District** Sam Searcy **Seventeenth District** Sarah Crawford **Eighteenth District Nineteenth District** Kirk DeViere **Twentieth District** Natalie Murdock **Twenty-first District** Ben Clark **Twenty-second District** Mike Woodard **Twenty-third District** Valerie P. Foushee **Twenty-fourth District** Amy S. Galey **Twenty-fifth District Tom McInnis**

Twenty-sixth District
Twenty-seventh District
Twenty-eighth District

Twenty-ninth District Steve Jarvis

Thirtieth District Philip E. (Phil) Berger

Thirty-first District
Thirty-second District
Thirty-third District
Thirty-fourth District
Thirty-fifth District
Thirty-sixth District
Thirty-sixth District
Thirty-seventh District

Thirty-eighth District Mujtaba A. Mohammed **Thirty-ninth District DeAndrea Salvador Fortieth District** Joyce Waddell **Forty-first District** Natasha Marcus **Forty-second District** H. Dean Proctor **Forty-third District Kathy Harrington Forty-fourth District Ted Alexander Forty-fifth District** Deanna Ballard

Forty-sixth District Warren Daniel
Forty-seventh District Ralph Hise
Forty-eighth District Chuck Edwards
Forty-ninth District Julie Mayfield
Fiftieth District Kevin Corbin

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal.

DONE IN OFFICE at Raleigh, this 1st day of December, 2020.

(SEAL) S/ Elaine F. Marshall Secretary of State

RESIGNATION OF A MEMBER

The Chair announces that a letter of resignation was received from The Honorable Sam Searcy of Senate District 17, effective January 6, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

PROCLAMATION FROM THE GOVERNOR

The Chair instructs the clerk to read the Proclamation from the Governor appointing Sydney Batch, as follows:

THE APPOINTMENT OF SYDNEY BATCH

2021-2022

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Senator Sam Searcy, elected Senator from Senate District 17, 2021-2022 General Assembly, resigned effective January 6, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of General Statute §163-11 require that the vacancy created by the resignation of Senator Sam Searcy be filled by appointment of the person recommended by the Senate District 17 Executive Committee of the North Carolina Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, the Senate District 17 Executive Committee has notified me of its recommendation of Sydney Batch of Wake County, North Carolina, to fill the unexpired term;

I do, by these presents, appoint

SYDNEY BATCH

January 13, 2021

as a member of the

NORTH CAROLINA SENATE

2021-2022 General Assembly

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in the City of Raleigh, this eleventh day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fifth.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

(SEAL)

ATTEST: S/ Elaine F. Marshall Secretary of State

OATH OF OFFICE

The President of the Senate recognizes The Honorable Tamara Barringer, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, who administers the following oath of office, to which those present respond and subscribe:

"I do solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution and laws of the United States; and I do solemnly and sincerely swear or affirm that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the State of North Carolina and to the constitutional powers and authorities which are or may be established for the government thereof; and that I will endeavor to support, maintain, and defend the Constitution and laws of said State, not inconsistent with the Constitution of the United States, to the best of my knowledge and ability; and I do solemnly and sincerely swear or affirm that I will faithfully discharge the duties of my office as a member of the Senate of the 2021 General Assembly of the State of North Carolina to the best of my knowledge and ability, so help me, God."

With forty-seven¹ Senators-elect answering the call of the roll and taking the prescribed oath of office, the President declares a quorum present and qualified.

ORGANIZATION OF THE SENATE

The President announces that the Senate stands ready to proceed with the election of officers and declares the floor open for nominations for President *Pro Tempore* of the Senate, pursuant to Article II, Section 14(1) of the North Carolina Constitution.

¹Senator Ernestine Bazemore, Senator Carl Ford, and Senator Michael Garrett were not present but were administered their oaths of office on January 12, January 9, and January 24, respectively.

The President recognizes Senator Harrington, who offers the following nomination and remarks:

"Today I rise to nominate Senator Phil Berger to serve another term as President *Pro Tem* of the Senate. First sworn into this body in 2001, Senator Berger is the longest serving senator currently in the Senate. Since 2011, his leadership of this chamber has been that of an exemplary public servant—fair, honest, and honorable. Throughout his strong, steady leadership, he has always been willing to listen to the concerns of every member and has put that into practice by always allowing for full debates on the Senate floor. Along with his experience as an accomplished attorney, he brings to his service in the Senate a quiet wisdom. And, in spite of the demand on his time that leadership of this body requires, Senator Berger always makes time for his family and serves as a great example to all members, working to keep family the highest priority. My fellow senators, I don't think there is a better person for this job than my friend and mentor Senator Phil Berger. With that, Mr. President, I formally nominate Senator Phil Berger to serve as President *Pro Tem* of the 2021 North Carolina Senate."

The President recognizes Senator Rabon, who seconds the nomination and offers the following remarks:

"Mr. President, members, I rise to second the nomination of Senator Phil Berger as President *Pro Tem* of the Senate. We have worked together since I was first elected, and I began my service in 2011. He's been our *Pro Tem* since that time. His unwavering, steadfast leadership has led North Carolina into a new era. I am proud to serve with him. The leadership that he exhibits is a rare thing to find. I am very, very happy to second this nomination. I further move that the nomination be closed and that Senator Berger's nomination be accepted by acclamation."

The motion offered by Senator Rabon that the nominations be closed and that Senator Phil Berger be elected President *Pro Tempore* by acclamation prevails.

The President declares Senator Phil Berger duly elected President *Pro Tempore* and appoints Senator Blue, Senator Harrington, Senator Johnson, and Senator Rabon to escort the President *Pro Tempore*-elect to the well of the Senate. Senator Harrington presents Senator Berger to the President. The Honorable Phil Berger, Jr., Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, administers the prescribed oath of office.

The President recognizes Senator Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, who addresses the body from the well of the Senate, offering the following remarks:

"Lieutenant Governor, members of the Senate, I have prepared remarks—and I'll get into those—but first I wanted to make sure that we as a body, and the guests that we have here, recognize both the South Stokes ROTC and the Heath Brothers for the presenting of the colors and the national anthem. I think they did a magnificent job, and so I think they should be recognized."

(Applause)

"I want to thank everyone here for the warm welcome. Once again, thank you, members of the Senate, for providing me with the high honor to serve as the President Pro Tempore of the North Carolina Senate. I'd like to take a moment to recognize some folks who are with us today. Many have already been recognized: Lieutenant Governor Robinson, Justice Barringer—who used to sit back there— Justice Berger—we won't talk too much about where you used to sit—Majority Leader Harrington, Democratic Leader Blue, distinguished members of the North Carolina Senate, our Senate Principal Clerk and her staff, our Sergeant-at-Arms and his staff, and, of course, the family and guests of those Senate members being seated for their first Senate terms, and those countless people viewing on television and over the internet via the cameras that we see in the gallery. I speak for all members in saying, it's unlikely that any of us would be here without the love and support of family and friends. They are the foundation on which our success is built, and I thank you. As we begin this new session, much has changed and, in some respects, little has changed from where we were two years ago. We're now in the middle of a pandemic the likes of which none of us has experienced. More than 7,600 North Carolinians have lost their lives as a result of Covid, each leaving family and friends mourning a loss. Social ties are strained, government competencies and coffers are stressed, and countless lives are altered in ways we could not have anticipated. After a year of waking each morning with the hope that someday we can go back to the way things were, thanks to the fastest vaccine development in history we finally have a slight glimmer of what, hopefully, is a light at the end of the tunnel. That is something to celebrate. And though we haven't had experience with a pandemic like this, we do have experience with a consequence of a pandemic, that being economic recession. That experience began a little over ten years ago. In fact, we spent the better part of the first part of the last decade recovering from that recession and the second part preparing for this one. Because of steps taken, we have the financial cushion of reserves and unspent revenues to bolster our state's finances. We've avoided the teacher salary freezes and education cuts the previous recession brought, and we know it's not just happenstance that led us to that point. Since 2011, we've reduced the share the state takes in taxes from our citizens. They are keeping more of their earnings to pay bills, grow businesses, and save for the future. We cut bureaucratic red tape for the private sector to be the economic engine for job growth that we need. In turn, our population and employment have exploded with businesses and people moving here in record numbers. Our pro-growth economic development toolbox produced an unprecedented expansion of our tax base. The state's economic pie grew, so even at lower tax rates, state collections increased to fund the services and efforts of government. At the same time, we saved for a rainy day. Because of that, reserves existed for hurricane and earthquake recovery, and we still have substantial rainy-day balances as we move forward. So while the cause of our present circumstance may be different, our policy prescriptions are largely unchanged. Voters returned Republican majorities to the legislature, bolstering our charge to lead North Carolina out of this recession, as we did the last one. Now, voters also returned Governor Roy Cooper to lead the executive branch, meaning mixed party control of our government continues for the foreseeable future. I intend to work with all to find, develop, and expand the 12

common ground where it may exist, and I know many of you feel the same way. Governor Cooper and I have had multiple conversations since the election, and he offered a similar commitment. I take him at his word. I am under no illusion that agreement can be reached on every matter that comes before us. This institution is a venue for exploring the opportunities that may exist for finding common ground. People from different areas and different backgrounds come together to explore different paths for our state's future, and each proponent sincerely believes their path is best. We should not begrudge pressing for a genuinely held policy preference. Disagreement is healthy and makes for a better ultimate outcome. We should all welcome discussion and disagreement, and I suggest that people understand what that entails by their returning divided government. Disputes, however, become unhealthy when political posturing derails sound policy. We must all guard against having the politics of an issue override the policy of an issue. I am reminded of my predecessor, former Senate Leader Marc Basnight. He grasped power firmly and won far more political battles than he lost, and I found myself on the other side of him on many issues over the first ten years that I served in this body. But I also believe that in nearly every encounter, Senator Basnight intended to advance his firmly held view of what was best for North Carolina. The fact that he and I had differences on policy did not prevent him from honorably and graciously surrendering power when the people rendered their election verdict. You, as members of this Senate, represent millions of people who charge you—all of us—with figuring out how best to see our state progress. Success is possible only if we approach policy disagreements with the assumption of good faith on all sides. In that way we can bicker and barter back and forth and at day's end and still see one another as a colleague, not a foe. Basic decency comes under threat when we assign base motives to one another in times of disagreement. We become an unhealthy body when we conclude a difference of opinion is born from a darkness in one's heart rather than an honest difference in one's mind. When that happens we do not represent our constituents in the high manner they deserve. We cannot demonize one another's motives one day and expect to successfully work collaboratively in the next. We assemble today after a year punctuated by violence, culminating last week in the most symbolic and troubling episode of all—a mob storming the seat of our national government. Our constitution prescribes how to advance change through the three branches of government. Mob violence is not one of them. In 1838 Lincoln, whose ability to give voice to our core ideals is unparalleled, said of mobs, 'By instances of the perpetrators of such acts going unpunished, the lawless in spirit are encouraged to become lawless in practice. And having been used to no restraint but threat of punishment, they thus become absolutely unrestrained.' Last week's mayhem has been denounced by all corners of American life, and it appears that authorities are aggressively enforcing the rule of law. That's good. There are, however, voices that question whether previous incidents have also been subject to the rule of law. Unfortunately, some tolerated or excuse lawlessness as acceptable as if one injustice somehow absolves responsibility for theft, property damage, and vandalism. The late Vermont Royster put the danger succinctly in noting, 'How thin is that veneer called civilization.' It's critical that we put down the rhetorical weapons that inflame more division and, as Lincoln says, that 'reverence for the

laws be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in the legislative halls, and enforced in the courts of justice.' Legislators come and go, majorities expand and fade, but the institution must endure. All of us, from the most senior to the most junior, have a solemn responsibility to protect our form of government and honor the rule of law. So today, I take to heart Lincoln's instruction that sober reason replace violent passions, so each of us can faithfully advance our policy preferences through the civility and respect we show for each other and for the institution in which we are privileged to serve. I want to thank you."

ADOPTION OF 2021 SENATE PERMANENT RULES

Senator Rabon submits a resolution for filing, introduction, and immediate consideration. The resolution is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

S.R. 1, A SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PERMANENT RULES OF THE SENATE FOR THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE 2021 GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The resolution is placed before the Senate for immediate consideration and read a second time.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, Senate Resolution 1 is adopted (47-0).

The text of Senate Resolution 1 is as follows:

S.R. 1, A SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PERMANENT RULES OF THE SENATE FOR THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE 2021 GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Be it resolved by the Senate:

SECTION 1. The permanent rules for the Regular Session of the Senate shall be as follows:

PERMANENT RULES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SENATE 2021 GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

I. Order of Business, Rules 1-7 II. Conduct of Debate, Rules 8-17 III. Motions, Rules 18-24.1 IV. Voting, Rules 25-30 Committees, Rules 31-37.2 V. VI. Handling Bills, Rules 38-59.2 VII.

Legislative Officers and Employees, Rules 60-65

VIII. General Rules, Rules 66-77.

I. ORDER OF BUSINESS

RULE 1. Rules controlling the Senate of North Carolina and its committees. - The following rules shall govern and control all actions and procedures of the Senate and its committees.

- RULE 1.1. **Emergencies.** In the event of a disaster, natural or otherwise, that precludes the General Assembly from meeting in the Legislative Building, the members will be notified by the President Pro Tempore where and when the Senate will convene.
- RULE 2. **Convening hour.** (a) The Presiding Officer shall take the Chair at the hour fixed by the Senate upon adjournment on the preceding legislative day and shall call the members to order. In case the Senate adjourned on the preceding legislative day without having fixed the hour of reconvening, the Senate shall reconvene on the next legislative day at 2:00 P.M., except that if the next legislative day is Monday, the time for reconvening shall be 7:00 P.M.
- (b) At the hour fixed by the Senate upon adjournment on the preceding legislative day, or at the hour to which the Senate has previously recessed on that same legislative day, and upon direction from the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, the Principal Clerk of the Senate may convene the Senate for the purpose of announcing to the Chamber that the Senate stands in recess until a later, specified hour.
- RULE 3. **Opening the session.** The Presiding Officer shall, upon order being obtained, have the sessions of the Senate opened with prayer.
- RULE 4. Convening and presiding in absence of President. In the absence of the President, the President Pro Tempore or a Senator designated by the President Pro Tempore shall convene or reconvene the Senate and preside, and during such time shall be vested with all powers of the President of the Senate except that of casting a vote in case of a tie when the President Pro Tempore or the designated Presiding Officer has already voted on the question as a Senator. In the event of the absence of the President and President Pro Tempore at any time fixed for the reconvening of the Senate, the Senate shall be called to order by a member designated by the President Pro Tempore, or if no member is designated, by the Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate. If no member has been designated and the Deputy President Pro Tempore is also absent, the Senate shall be called to order by the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, who shall designate some member to act as Presiding Officer. The Principal Clerk of the Senate may convene the Senate for the purpose of notifying the Chamber that the Senate stands in recess pursuant to Rule 2(b) of these Rules.
- RULE 5. **Quorum.** (a) A quorum consists of a majority of all the qualified members of the Senate.
- (b) When a lesser number than a quorum convenes, the Senators present may send the Sergeant-at-Arms or any person, for any or all absent Senators, as a majority of the Senators present determines.
- RULE 6. **Approval of Journal.** After the prayer, the Presiding Officer shall cause the Journal of the preceding day to be read and approved, unless the President Pro Tempore or, in the President Pro Tempore's absence, the Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate or some member of the Senate by motion sustained by a majority of the members present, has the reading thereof dispensed with and the same approved as written.

RULE 7. **Order of business.** – After approval of the Journal, the order of business shall be as follows:

- (1) Reports of standing committees.
- (2) Reports of select committees.
- (3) Introduction of bills, petitions, and resolutions.
- (4) Messages from the House of Representatives.
- (5) Veto messages from the Governor.
- (6) Unfinished business of preceding day.
- (7) Special orders.
- (8) General orders:
 - a. Local bills in numerical order. Senate bills first:
 - 1. Third reading roll call and electronic voting system votes.
 - 2. Second reading roll call and electronic voting system votes.
 - 3. Second reading viva voce.
 - 4. Third reading viva voce.
 - b. Public bills in numerical order, Senate bills first:
 - 1. Third reading roll call and electronic voting system votes.
 - 2. Second reading roll call and electronic voting system votes.
 - 3. Second reading viva voce.
 - 4. Third reading viva voce.
- (9) Moments of Personal Privilege, reading of Senatorial Statements, and explanation of votes.

II. CONDUCT OF DEBATE

RULE 8. **Presiding Officer to maintain order.** – The Presiding Officer shall have general direction of the Hall of the Senate and shall be authorized to take such action as is necessary to maintain order, and in case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the galleries or lobbies, the Presiding Officer shall have the power to order those areas cleared.

RULE 9. (Reserved for future use).

RULE 10. **Points of order.** – (a) The Presiding Officer shall preserve order and decorum and proceed with the business of the Senate according to the rules adopted. The Presiding Officer shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, whose decision may be appealed to the Senate by any member, on which appeal no member shall speak more than once unless by leave of the Senate. A two-thirds vote of the membership of the Senate present and voting is necessary to sustain any appeal from the ruling of the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate.

- (b) In the event the Senate Rules do not provide for or cover any point of order raised by any Senator, the rules of the United States House of Representatives shall govern.
- (c) When a Senator is called to order, that Senator shall take the assigned seat until the Presiding Officer determines whether that Senator was in order or not; if decided to be out of order, that Senator shall not proceed without the permission of the Senate; and every question of order shall be decided by the Presiding Officer, subject to an appeal to the Chairman of the Committee on Rules

and Operations of the Senate, whose decision may be appealed to the Senate by any Senator; and if a Senator is called to order for words spoken, the words to which an exception is made shall be immediately preserved by the Principal Clerk, so that the Presiding Officer, Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, or Senate may be better able to judge the matter.

- RULE 11. **Debating and voting by Lieutenant Governor.** The Lieutenant Governor, as President of the Senate, being a Constitutional Officer, shall not have the right to debate any question or to address the Senate upon any proposition unless by permission of the majority of members present and shall have the right to vote only when there is a tie vote upon any question or election.
- RULE 12. **Obtaining recognition.** (a) When any Senator is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Senate, that Senator shall rise and respectfully address the Presiding Officer. No member shall speak further until recognized by the Presiding Officer. The Presiding Officer shall recognize the first to rise and, when two or more members rise at the same time, the Presiding Officer shall name the member to speak, giving priority to the President Pro Tempore, the Deputy President Pro Tempore, or the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate.
- (b) A Senator who has the floor may yield the floor to another Senator only for the purpose of allowing another Senator to state a question. Only the Presiding Officer may award the floor to any Senator.
- (c) A Senator who has obtained the floor may be interrupted only for the following reasons:
 - (1) A request that the member speaking yield for a question;
 - (2) A point of order; or
 - (3) A parliamentary inquiry.
- (d) When a Senator refers to a bill, the bill number and short title must be used.
 - RULE 13. (Reserved for future use).
- RULE 14. Limitations on individual debate. (a) No Senator shall speak on the same reading more than twice on the main question, nor longer than 30 minutes for the first speech and 15 minutes for the second speech. No Senator shall speak on the same reading more than once on any motion or appeal, and then no longer than 10 minutes.
- (b) With leave of the Senate, any member of the Senate may address the Senate from the well of the Senate.
- RULE 15. Senatorial Statements. A Senatorial Statement may be utilized by a Senator to recognize constituents and events of significance and when a Resolution is not permitted under Rule 40.1. A Senatorial Statement may not be used to explain a vote, debate a bill, or in any way disrupt the regular business of the Senate. A Senatorial Statement shall be in writing and in a form prescribed by the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate. A Senatorial Statement shall speak in the voice of the Senator submitting the Statement, is not a statement by the Senate, and is not subject to a vote by the Senate. A Senator may use a Moment of Personal Privilege under Rule 15.1 for a time not to exceed three minutes to read some or all of a Senatorial Statement

provided the Presiding Officer determines the question raised in the Statement is one of privilege. Upon motion supported by a majority present and voting, a Senatorial Statement may be spread upon the Journal.

- RULE 15.1. **Moments of Personal Privilege.** (a) Upon recognition by the Presiding Officer for that purpose, any Senator may speak for a time not exceeding three minutes on a Moment of Personal Privilege.
- (b) A Moment of Personal Privilege may not be used to explain a vote, debate a bill, or in any way disrupt the regular business of the Senate, nor shall such opportunities be used to solicit support or sponsors for any bill. The Presiding Officer shall determine if the question raised is one of privilege and shall, without the point of order being raised, enforce this rule, subject to an appeal to the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate whose decision may be appealed to the Senate by any Senator, on which appeal no member shall speak more than once unless by leave of the Senate. A two-thirds vote of the membership of the Senate present and voting is necessary to sustain any appeal from the ruling of the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate.
- RULE 15.2. **Explanation of vote.** Any Senator may explain that Senator's vote on any bill that day by obtaining permission of the Presiding Officer for that purpose. No more than three minutes shall be consumed in such explanation.
- RULE 16. **Final orders of business.** Senatorial Statements, Moments of Personal Privilege, and explanations of votes shall be the last orders of the Senate's business that day and explanations of votes shall be made after the final vote has been taken.
- RULE 17. **General decorum.** (a) Male Senators and male visitors shall not wear any head covering in the Senate Chamber while the Senate is in session, unless his religion requires his head to be covered. All persons on the Senate floor while the Senate is in session shall be dressed in business attire, including coat and tie for men.
- (b) No derogatory remark reflecting personally upon any Senator or Senators shall be in order upon the floor of the Senate unless preceded by a motion or resolution of censure.
- (c) When the Presiding Officer is putting a question, or a division by counting is in progress, no Senator shall walk out of or across the Chamber, nor when a Senator is speaking, pass between that Senator and the Presiding Officer.
- (d) When a motion to adjourn or for recess is affirmatively determined, no member or officer shall leave that member or officer's place until adjournment or recess is declared by the Presiding Officer.
 - (e) Smoking shall not be allowed in the Senate Chamber.
- (f) No remark soliciting the donation of funds for the support of any person or organization shall be in order upon the floor of the Senate, unless the remark has some relevance to a bill or resolution before the body. No article of any kind soliciting business or donations may be placed by any person anywhere in the Senate Chamber or in any Senate office.

- (g) The President Pro Tempore may authorize and provide for the broadcasting of Senate sessions via television or Internet.
- (h) Reading of newspapers, magazines, periodicals, or books shall not be permitted while the Senate is in session. This rule does not prohibit the use of electronic devices, the use of quotations during debate or for personal privilege.
- (i) The operation of electronic devices whose sound cannot be muted is prohibited on the floor or in the gallery while the Senate is in session.
- (j) No member of the Senate shall place any item on another Senator's Chamber desk or in another Senator's office unless the item conspicuously displays the name of the Senator placing the item.
- (k) No person other than the member, the member's legislative assistant, or the Principal Clerk's office or staff under the direction of the Principal Clerk, shall place any matter on the member's Chamber desk, then only materials relevant to the business of the Senate, or as allowed under subsection (j) of this rule.
- (l) Neither food nor beverage shall be permitted in the galleries.

III. MOTIONS

- RULE 18. **Motions generally.** Any motion shall be reduced to writing, if requested by the Presiding Officer or a Senator, and read by the Presiding Officer or Reading Clerk before the same is debated. Any motion may be withdrawn by the introducer at any time before decision or amendment. No motion relating to a bill shall be in order which does not identify the bill by its number and short title. Except as otherwise specifically provided in these rules, no second is required.
- RULE 19. **Motion; order of precedence.** When a question is before the Senate, no motion shall be received except those herein specified, which motions shall have precedence as follows:
 - (1) To adjourn.

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- (2) To resolve into the Committee of the Whole Senate.
- (3) To lay on the table.
- (4) For the previous question.
- (5) To postpone indefinitely.
- (6) To postpone to a certain day.
- (7) To re-refer to a standing committee.
- (8) To refer to a select committee.
- (9) To amend.
- RULE 20. **Motions requiring a second.** The motions to adjourn, to resolve into the Committee of the Whole Senate, to lay on the table, and to call for the previous question shall be seconded and decided without debate.
- RULE 21. **Motions to postpone to certain day and to commit.** The respective motions to postpone to a certain day, to resolve into the Committee of the Whole Senate, or to commit to a standing or select committee shall preclude debate on the main question.

- RULE 22. **Motion to substitute.** Subject to Rule 19, a member may offer a motion to substitute to any motion, except the motions for the previous question, to table, to resolve into the Committee of the Whole Senate, or to adjourn. No motion to substitute shall be offered to a motion to substitute.
- RULE 23. **Motion for previous question.** (a) The previous question may be moved upon a pending single motion, any pending amendment or amendments, and/or the pending bill to its passage on that reading or all readings or the pending resolution to its adoption. An authorized Senator moving the previous question shall specify to what the motion applies. Unless specified, the motion shall be deemed to apply to the current question.
- (b) The previous question shall be as follows: "Shall the main question be now put?" and until it is decided shall preclude all amendments and debate. If this question is decided in the affirmative, the "main question" shall be on the passage of the bill, resolution, or other matter under consideration; but when amendments are pending, the question shall be taken upon such amendments in their inverse order, without further debate or amendment.
- (c) Only one of the following Senators may move the previous question:
 - (1) The chair of the committee submitting the report on the bill or other matter under consideration;
 - (2) The member introducing the bill or other matter under consideration;
 - (3) The member in charge of the measure, who shall be designated by the chair of the committee reporting the same to the Senate at the time the bill or other matter under consideration is reported to the Senate or taken up for consideration;
 - (4) The Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate; or
 - (5) The President Pro Tempore.
- RULE 24. **Motion to reconsider.** (a) When a question has been once put and decided, any Senator who voted in the majority may move to reconsider the vote thereof. No motion for reconsideration shall be in order unless made on the same day or on the next legislative day on which the vote took place. When the next legislative day has by motion of the Senate been restricted as to matters which may be considered, a motion to reconsider shall be in order on the next succeeding day upon which regular business is conducted. No question shall be reconsidered more than once.
- (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this rule, a motion to reconsider is in order at any time if made by the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate or the President Pro Tempore for the sole purpose of correcting grammatical errors in bills in the possession of the Senate.
- (c) If a bill has gone out of the possession of the Senate and a motion to reconsider under these rules is passed, the bill shall not be enrolled unless it again passes third reading. The Principal Clerk shall notify the House of Representatives and the Enrolling Clerk of any action under this subsection.
- RULE 24.1. Motion to adjourn or stand in recess; standard stipulations. A motion to adjourn or stand in recess subject to the standard stipulations shall constitute a motion to adjourn or stand in recess subject to

receipt and referral of committee reports, the introduction of bills, referral and rereferral of bills, reading of Senatorial Statements, receipt of House messages, ratification of bills, announcement of committee assignments, and messages from the Governor.

IV. VOTING

- RULE 25. Use of electronic voting system. (a) Votes on the following questions shall be taken on the electronic voting system, and the ayes and noes shall be recorded on the Journal:
 - (1) All questions on which the Constitution of North Carolina requires that the ayes and noes be taken and recorded on the Journal;
 - (2) All questions on which a call for the ayes and noes under Rule 26(b) has been sustained;
 - (3) Second and third readings of bills proposing amendment of the Constitution of North Carolina; and
 - (4) The vote on approval of a bill that was vetoed by the Governor.
- (b) Votes on the following questions shall be taken on the electronic voting system, and the resulting totals shall be recorded on the Journal:
 - (1) Second reading of all public bills, all amendments to public bills offered after second reading, third reading if a public bill was amended after second reading, and all conference reports on public bills.
 - (2) Any other question upon direction of the Presiding Officer or upon motion of any Senator supported by one-fifth of the Senators present.
- (c) When the electronic voting system is used, the Presiding Officer shall fix and announce the time, not to exceed one minute, which shall be allowed for voting on the question before the Senate. The system shall be set to lock automatically and to record the vote when that time has expired. Once the system has locked and recorded a vote, the vote shall be printed by the system.
- (d) The voting station at each Senator's desk in the Chamber shall be used only by the Senator to whom the station is assigned. Under no circumstances shall any other person vote at a Senator's station. It is a breach of the ethical obligation of a Senator either to request that another vote at the requesting Senator's station or to vote at another Senator's station. The Presiding Officer shall enforce this rule without exception.
- (e) When the electronic voting system is used, the Presiding Officer shall state the question and shall then state substantially the following: "All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'no'; _____ seconds will be allowed for voting on this question; the Clerk will record the vote." After the machine locks and records the vote, the Presiding Officer shall announce the vote and declare the result, and no member may vote thereafter.
- (f) One copy of the machine printout of the vote record shall be filed in the Office of the Principal Clerk, and one copy shall be filed in the Legislative Library where it shall be open to public inspection.
- (g) When the Presiding Officer ascertains that the electronic voting system is inoperative before a vote is taken or while a vote is being taken on the electronic system, the Presiding Officer shall announce that fact to the Senate, and any partial electronic system voting record shall be voided. In such a

case, if the Constitution of North Carolina or the Rules of the Senate require a call of the ayes and noes, the Clerk shall call the roll of the Senate, and the ayes and noes shall be taken manually and shall be recorded on the Journal. All other votes shall be taken as prescribed in Senate Rule 26. If, after a vote is taken on the electronic system, it is discovered that a malfunction caused an error in the electronic system printout, the Presiding Officer shall direct the Reading Clerk and the Principal Clerk to verify and correct the printout record and so advise the Senate.

- (h) For the purpose of identifying motions on which the vote is taken on the electronic system (the identification codes having no relation to the order of precedence of motions), the motions are coded as follows:
 - (1) To lay on the table.
 - (2) To resolve into the Committee of the Whole Senate.
 - (3) For the previous question.
 - (4) To postpone indefinitely.
 - (5) To postpone to a day certain.
 - (6) To refer to a committee.
 - (7) To reconsider.
 - (8) To adopt.
 - (9) To concur.
 - (10)To take from the table.
 - (11) Miscellaneous.

RULE 26. Voice votes; call for division; call for ayes and noes. – (a) When the electronic voting system is not used, all votes on which a call of the roll of the Senate is not required shall be taken by voice vote. The question shall be put as follows: "Those in favor say 'aye," and, after the affirmative vote is expressed, "Opposed 'no"; after which the Presiding Officer shall announce the result. If a division on any vote is desired, it must be called for immediately before the result of the voting is announced on any question, and, upon such call, the Presiding Officer shall require the members to stand and be counted for and against the proposition under consideration.

(b) The ayes and the noes may be called for on any question before the vote is taken. If a Senator desires the ayes and noes recorded on the Journal on a question, that Senator shall address the Presiding Officer and obtain recognition and say, "Upon that question I call for the ayes and noes." Whereupon the Presiding Officer shall say, "Is the call sustained?" If one-fifth of the remaining Senators present then stand, the vote shall be taken on the electronic voting system if it is operative, and the ayes and noes shall be recorded on the Journal. If the electronic voting system is inoperative, the roll of the Senate shall be called and the ayes and noes taken manually and recorded on the Journal. If fewer than one-fifth of the Senators present stand to sustain the call, the Presiding Officer shall announce, "An insufficient number up," and a vote by electronic voting or by voice, whichever is appropriate under the Rules of the Senate, shall be taken.

RULE 27. (Reserved for future use).

RULE 28. **Dividing question.** – (a) If a bill is subject to division into separate parts so that each part states a separate and distinct proposition capable of standing alone, a Senator may move that the question be divided. The motion shall:

- (1) Be in writing,
- (2) Be submitted to the Principal Clerk at the time the motion is made, and
- (3) Clearly state how the question is to be divided.
- Upon a majority vote of the Senators present and voting, the motion shall be adopted.
- (b) If the motion to divide the question is adopted, then there shall be no further amendment or debate on any of the distinct propositions.
- (c) If the question is divided and any part thereof fails, then the bill or resolution and any pending amendments shall be removed from the calendar and re-referred to the committee from which the bill or resolution was reported.
- (d) Only one motion to divide the question shall be in order during consideration of a bill or resolution.
- RULE 29. **Duty to vote; excuses.** (a) Every Senator who is within the Senate Chamber when the question is stated by the Presiding Officer shall vote thereon unless that Senator is excused by the Senate.
- (b) A Senator who is a member of a committee shall, upon request, be excused from deliberations and voting on the bill while it is before the committee. The Senator must make the request to the chair of the committee when the bill is first taken up for consideration and before any motion or vote on the bill or any amendment to the bill. The Senator making the request for excuse in committee must renew that request for excuse on the floor of the Senate as set forth in this rule.
- (c) Any Senator may move to be excused at any time from voting on any matter. The Senator may make a brief statement of the reasons for the motion which question shall be taken without debate on the motion.
- (d) The Senator may send forward to the Principal Clerk, on a form provided by the Clerk, a concise statement of the reason for the motion, and the Clerk shall include this statement in the Journal.
- (e) The Senator so excused shall not debate the bill or any amendment to the bill, vote on the bill, offer or vote on any amendment to the bill, or offer or vote on any motion concerning the bill at that reading, any subsequent reading, or any subsequent consideration of the bill.
- (f) A Senator may move that the excuse of that Senator from deliberations on a particular bill be withdrawn, which question shall be determined without debate. The Senator shall send forward to the Principal Clerk, on a form provided by the Clerk, the written request.
- (g) A motion to be excused or for the withdrawal of an excuse shall be taken without debate.
- (h) A motion by any Senator to change that Senator's vote must be made in open session on the same legislative day as the vote is taken. This subsection may not be suspended.

RULE 30. (Reserved for future use).

V. COMMITTEES

RULE 31. **Appointment of committees.** – The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall have the exclusive right and authority to appoint the membership of all committees, regular and select, and to appoint committee chairs and vice-chairs and to establish select committees, but this does not exclude the right of the Senate by resolution to establish select committees. Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, the Senate may alter the name, number, and composition of the standing committees by a majority vote of the Senators present and voting.

RULE 32. List of standing/select committees. – The standing committees shall be:

Agriculture, Energy, and Environment

Appropriations/Base Budget

Appropriations on Department of Transportation

Appropriations on Education/Higher Education

Appropriations on General Government and Information Technology

Appropriations on Health and Human Services

Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety

Appropriations on Agriculture, Natural, and Economic Resources

Commerce and Insurance

Committee of the Whole Senate

Education/Higher Education

Finance

Health Care

Judiciary

Pensions and Retirement and Aging

Redistricting and Elections

Rules and Operations of the Senate

State and Local Government

Transportation

- RULE 33. **Notice of committee meetings.** (a) Public notice of all committee meetings shall be given in the Senate. The required notice may be waived as to any meeting by the attendance at that meeting of all of the members of the committee or by personal waiver.
- (b) The chair of the committee shall notify or cause to be notified the sponsor of each bill that is set for hearing or consideration before the committee as to the date, time, and place of that meeting.
- (c) The published calendar shall reflect those committee notices received in the Office of the Principal Clerk prior to 3:30 P.M. or as announced in the daily session.
- RULE 34. **Membership of committees; quorum.** (a) Membership on standing committees shall consist of no fewer than five Senators, including the chairs and vice-chairs and ranking minority members.

The President Pro Tempore shall have the exclusive right and authority to determine the total number of members and the number of members of each political party of each committee. No Senator shall hold membership on more than 12 standing committees unless the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate provides otherwise.

A quorum of the Appropriations/Base Budget and Finance Committees shall consist of a majority of the committee. A quorum of any other committee shall consist of either the chair and five members or a majority of the committee, whichever is fewer.

- (b) The President Pro Tempore and the Deputy President Pro Tempore may serve as voting ex officio members of each Senate committee and subcommittee.
- RULE 35. **Roll call vote in committee.** No roll call vote may be taken in any committee. The committee chair may vote in committee.
- RULE 36. Standing committee and standing subcommittee meetings. No committee or subcommittee shall hold a secret meeting. All meetings of committees and subcommittees shall be open to the public, except as provided in G.S. 143-318.14A(e). In no event shall final action be taken by any committee or subcommittee except in open session.
- RULE 36.1. Committee minutes to Legislative Library. The chair of a committee shall ensure that minutes, in a format and medium approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, are compiled for each of the committee's meetings. The minutes shall indicate the number of members present and the actions taken by the committee at the meeting. Not later than 30 days after the adjournment of each session of the General Assembly, the chair shall deliver the minutes to the Legislative Library. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate may grant a reasonable extension of time for filing said minutes upon application of the committee chair.
- RULE 37. Committee of the Whole Senate. Notwithstanding the provisions of Rules 33, 34, and 35, the Senate may resolve into the Committee of the Whole Senate by motion. When such a motion is seconded, the President shall put the question without debate: "Shall the Senate resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole Senate for consideration of ?", stating the matter or matters identified by the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate to be considered. Only the President Pro Tempore, the Deputy President Pro Tempore, or the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate may move to resolve into the Committee of the Whole Senate. The Committee of the Whole Senate shall convene in the Senate Chambers and shall utilize electronic voting. Unless otherwise stated, the Rules and Operations of the Senate apply to the Committee of the Whole Senate and the Principal Clerk of the Senate shall be the Committee Assistant, but shall not record committee activity on the Journal. The Chair shall be the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or his designee.
- RULE 37.1. **Membership, quorum, and voting.** Every Senator shall be a member of the Committee of the Whole Senate. A quorum of a Committee of the Whole Senate is 26 members.
- RULE 37.2. Committee substitutes; report of the Committee of the Whole Senate; adjournment. (a) The committee of the Whole Senate shall not consider committee substitutes.

- (b) The Chair may entertain a motion that the Committee adjourn after the Chair has announced that the Committee has finished the business for which it was convened.
- (c) The Chair of the Committee of the Whole Senate shall report the bill to the Senate immediately following the adjournment of the Committee, including any amendments that were adopted in the Committee.
- (d) The Chair shall announce the adjournment of the Committee of the Whole Senate and the members shall adjourn and, if the Committee was resolved out of an unadjourned session, the Senate shall resume session

VI. HANDLING BILLS

- RULE 38. **Application of rules.** All provisions of these rules applying to bills, including, but not limited to, provisions governing the introduction, eligibility, and filing of bills, shall apply also to resolutions and petitions.
- RULE 39. **Form of bills.** (a) Unless variation is authorized by the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, bills submitted for introduction shall be in a computer-generated form prepared by the Legislative Services Office and approved by the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate.
- (b) Whenever a bill is filed, it shall be submitted to the Principal Clerk in the form of a Senate e-jacket.
- RULE 39.1. **Public and local bills; limitation on local bills becoming public bills.** (a) A public bill is a bill affecting 15 or more counties. A local bill is one affecting fewer than 15 counties. No bill may be considered unless the bill has been made available to the entire membership of the Senate.
- (b) A local bill that has become a public bill shall not be considered in the Senate unless one of the following applies:
 - (1) The North Carolina Constitution prescribes that the bill as filed must be a public bill because of its subject matter.
 - (2) The bill became a public bill because counties were added, but the bill relates to the subject matter contained in the original bill.
- RULE 40. **Introduction of bills.** (a) Pursuant to G.S. 120-11.1, on January 13, 2021, a simple resolution to establish the Senate Permanent Rules, and a joint resolution to adjourn to January 27, 2021, may be filed. No other bills are eligible to be filed on January 13, 2021.
- (a1) Every bill filed for introduction shall contain on the Senate e-jacket the title of the document and the name of the Senator or Senators sponsoring it. No more than three Senators may be listed as primary sponsors. The Senator whose name appears first shall deliver the Senate e-jacket to the Office of the Principal Clerk either physically or electronically using the member's electronic dashboard. Subject to any authorization prescribed by the Principal Clerk, a member's legislative assistant may deliver a Senate e-jacket by any method allowed under this rule.
- (a2) The Senate Principal Clerk shall receive bills for introduction during regular session according to the following schedule:

Monday until 30 minutes after adjournment; and

Any other day the Senate holds a session until 4:00 P.M.

- (a3) All bills shall be numbered by the Office of the Principal Clerk when filed and shall be considered introduced when presented to the Senate on the next legislative day for the first reading. When a bill is presented with more than one primary sponsor, the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate shall designate, as bill manager, one of the primary sponsors. Senators may only cosponsor legislation electronically.
- (b) Any Senator who wishes to cosponsor a bill or resolution that has been filed may do so no later than one hour following the adjournment of the session during which the bill or resolution was first read and referred, but only electronically under procedures approved by the Principal Clerk.
- (c) No member may introduce a public bill that has no substantive provisions. No member may introduce more than one local bill that contains no substantive provisions.
- RULE 40.1. Limitations on certain resolutions. (a) A Senator may file a resolution that memorializes, celebrates, commends, or commemorates a deceased former member of the General Assembly.
- (b) Resolutions of this nature that do not relate to deceased former members shall be excluded from introduction and consideration by the Senate. Senators shall instead utilize Senatorial Statements to recognize other individuals or events of significance. Notwithstanding this, in exceptional circumstances only, a Senator may file a resolution that memorializes, celebrates, commends, or commemorates other individuals or events after presenting the draft to the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate and receiving the approval of that Chairman, except that the Chairman may refer the request to the full committee for approval. The approval of the Chairman or committee shall be indicated on the Senate e-jacket.
- (c) The Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate may refer any such resolution to a committee or place the resolution on the Senate's calendar for a date certain.
- (d) During the Senate's consideration of a resolution relating to a deceased member, the Presiding Officer shall order the Chamber secured by the Sergeant-at-Arms so as to prevent the entry or exit of any person.
- RULE 40.2. **Deadlines on filing for introduction of bills.** (a) All local bills must be submitted to either the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 25, 2021, and must be filed for introduction in the Senate before 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 11, 2021.
- (b) All public bills and resolutions, except those listed in subsection (b1) of this rule, must be submitted to either the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 11, 2021, and must be filed for introduction in the Senate before 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 6, 2021.
- (b1) The following bills are not subject to subsection (b) of this rule: (i) those providing for action on gubernatorial nominations or appointments, (ii) those providing for action on appointments by the General Assembly pursuant to G.S. 120-121, (iii) those proposing amendments to the North Carolina Constitution, (iv) those containing statutory amendments necessary to implement

proposed amendments to the North Carolina Constitution, (v) those establishing districts for Congress or State or local entities, (vi) those addressing election laws, (vii) those ratifying amendments to the United States Constitution, and (viii) those adjourning the General Assembly.

- (c) A two-thirds vote of the membership of the Senate present and voting shall be required to file for introduction any bill or resolution after the dates established by this rule.
- (d) Bills that are subject to Rule 42 of these rules and local bills may be filed in any regular session that convenes in an even-numbered year.
- RULE 41. Crossover bill deadline; exemptions. (a) In order to be eligible for consideration by the Senate during the 2021 or 2022 Regular Session of the 2021 General Assembly, all House bills other than those described in subsection (b) of this Rule must be received and read on the floor of the Senate as a message from the House no later than Thursday, May 13, 2021, provided that a message from the House received by the next legislative day stating that a bill has passed its third reading and is being engrossed shall comply with the requirements of this rule and provided that the House accepts Senate bills ordered engrossed on the next legislative day.
- (b) The following bills are not subject to subsection (a) of this rule: (i) those required to be referred to the Committee on Finance or the Committee on Appropriations/Base Budget by Rule 42, (ii) those providing for action on gubernatorial nominations or appointments, (iii) those providing for action on appointments by the General Assembly pursuant to G.S. 120-121, (iv) those providing for amendments to the North Carolina Constitution, (v) those containing statutory amendments necessary to implement proposed amendments to the North Carolina Constitution, (vi) those establishing districts for Congress or State or local entities, (vii) those addressing election laws, (viii) those ratifying an amendment or amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and (ix) those adjourning the General Assembly.
- RULE 41.1. **Effect of adjournment resolution.** Rule 40.2 and 41 are subject to and may be modified by a resolution jointly adjourning both chambers to a date certain.
- RULE 42. **Reference of appropriation and finance bills.** (a) All bills introduced in the Senate providing for appropriations from the State, or any subdivision thereof, shall, before being considered by the Senate, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations/Base Budget and bills referred to other committees carrying any such provisions shall be reported to the Senate as being bills to be referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee before proper action may be taken by the Senate.
- (b) All bills introduced in the Senate providing for bond issues, imposing or raising fees or other revenues payable to the State, its agencies, its licensing boards, or any of its subdivisions, levying taxes, or in any manner affecting the taxing power of the State or any subdivision thereof, shall, before being considered by the Senate, be referred to the Committee on Finance, and bills referred to other committees carrying any such provisions shall be reported to the Senate as being bills to be referred to the Committee on Finance before proper action may be taken by the Senate.

- (c) This rule shall not apply to bills imposing civil penalties, criminal fines, forfeitures, or penalties for infractions.
- RULE 42.1. **Fiscal notes.** (a) A Chair of the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee, or of the Finance Committee, or of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, upon the floor of the Senate, may request that a fiscal analysis be made of a bill, resolution, or an amendment to a bill or resolution which is in the possession of the Senate and that a fiscal note be attached to the measure, when in the opinion of that Chair the fiscal effects of that measure are not apparent from the language of the measure. No bill, resolution, or amendment for which a fiscal note has been requested may be considered for passage prior to the fiscal note being attached to it.
- (b) The fiscal note shall be filed and attached to the bill, resolution, or amendment within two legislative days of the request. If it is impossible to prepare a fiscal note within two legislative days, the Director of Fiscal Research shall, in writing, so advise the Presiding Officer, the Principal Clerk, and the member introducing or proposing the measure and shall indicate the time when the fiscal note will be ready.
- (c) The fiscal note shall be prepared by the Fiscal Research Division on a form approved by the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate as to content and form and signed by the staff member or members preparing it. If no estimate in dollars is possible, the fiscal note shall indicate the reasons that no estimate is provided. The fiscal note shall not comment on the merit but may identify technical problems. The Fiscal Research Division shall make the fiscal note available to the membership of the Senate.
- (d) A sponsor of a bill, resolution, or amendment may deliver a copy of that member's bill, resolution, or amendment to the Fiscal Research Division for the preparation of a fiscal note. The sponsor shall attach the fiscal note to the bill when the sponsor files the bill or resolution or to the amendment when the sponsor moves its adoption.
- (e) The sponsor of a bill, resolution, or amendment to which a fiscal note is attached who objects to the estimates and information provided may reduce to writing the objections. These objections shall be appended to the fiscal note attached to the bill, resolution, or amendment and to the copies of the fiscal note available to the membership.
- (f) Subsection (a) of this rule shall not apply to the Current Operations Appropriations Bill or the Capital Improvement Appropriations Bill. This rule shall not apply to a bill, resolution, or amendment requiring an actuarial note under these rules.
- RULE 42.2. **Actuarial notes.** (a) Every bill or resolution proposing any change in the law relative to any:
 - (1) State, municipal, or other retirement system funded in whole or in part out of public funds; or
 - (2) Program of hospital, medical, disability, or related benefits provided for teachers and State employees, funded in whole or in part by State funds,

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shall have attached to it at the time of its consideration by any committee a brief explanatory statement or note that shall include a reliable estimate of the financial and actuarial effect of the proposed change, as provided in G.S. 120-114. The actuarial note shall be attached to the jacket of each proposed bill or resolution that is reported favorably by any committee and shall be clearly designated as an actuarial note. Upon its introduction, a bill or resolution described in subdivision (a)(1) of this rule shall be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Retirement and Aging.

- (b) The sponsor of the bill or resolution shall present a copy of the measure, with the sponsor's request for an actuarial note, to the Fiscal Research Division, which shall prepare the actuarial note as promptly as possible but not later than two weeks after the request is made. Actuarial notes shall be prepared in the order of receipt of request and shall be transmitted to the sponsor of the measure. The actuarial note of the Fiscal Research Division shall be prepared and signed by an actuary.
- (c) The sponsor of the bill or resolution shall also present a copy of the measure to the chief administrative officer of the system affected by the measure. The chief administrative officer shall have an actuarial note prepared by the system's actuary on the measure and shall transmit the note to the sponsor of the measure not later than two weeks after the request is received. The actuarial note may be attached to the jacket of the measure.
- (d) The note shall be factual and shall, if possible, provide a reliable estimate of both the immediate effect and, if determinable, the long-range fiscal and actuarial effect of the measure. If, after careful investigation, it is determined that no dollar estimate is possible, the note shall contain a statement to that effect, setting forth the reasons why no dollar estimate can be given. No comment or opinion shall be included in the actuarial note with regard to the merits of the measure for which the note is prepared. Technical and mechanical defects in the measure may be noted.
- When any committee reports a measure to which an actuarial note is attached at the time of committee consideration, with any amendment of such nature as would substantially affect the cost to or the revenues of any system, the chair of the committee reporting the measure shall obtain from the Fiscal Research Division and the administrator of the affected system an actuarial note of the fiscal and actuarial effect of the proposed amendment. The actuarial note shall be attached to the jacket of the measure. A chair of the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee, or of the Finance Committee, or of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, upon the floor of the Senate, may request that an actuarial note be attached to a bill, resolution, or an amendment that affects the costs to or the revenues of a system described in this rule and that is in the possession of the Senate, when in the opinion of that chair, the effect to the cost to or the revenues of a system described in this rule are not apparent from the language of the measure. No bill, resolution, or amendment for which an actuarial note has been requested may be considered for passage prior to the actuarial note from both the Fiscal Research Division and the administrator of the affected system being attached to it.

- (f) The Fiscal Research Division shall make all relevant actuarial notes available to the membership of the Senate.
- RULE 42.3. **Assessment reports.** Municipal Incorporations. Every legislative proposal introduced in the Senate, or received in the Senate from the House, proposing the incorporation of a municipality shall have attached to the jacket of the original bill at the time of its consideration on second or third readings by the Senate or by any committee of the Senate prior to a favorable report, a recommendation from the Municipal Incorporations Subcommittee of the Joint Legislative Committee on Local Government established by Article 20 of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The recommendation of that Subcommittee shall be made in accordance with the provisions and criteria set forth in Article 20 of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes and shall include the findings required to be made by G.S. 120-166 through G.S. 120-170.
- RULE 42.3A. Proposed increases in incarceration. (a) Every bill, amendment, and resolution proposing any change in the law that could cause a net increase in the length of time for which persons are incarcerated or the number of persons incarcerated, whether by increasing penalties for violating existing laws, by criminalizing behavior, or by any other means, shall have attached to it at the time of its consideration by the Senate a fiscal note prepared by the Fiscal Research Division. The fiscal note shall be prepared in consultation with the Sentencing Policy and Advisory Commission and shall identify and estimate, for the first five fiscal years the proposed change would be in effect, all costs of the proposed net increase in incarceration, including capital outlay costs if the legislation would require increased cell space. If, after careful investigation, the Fiscal Research Division determines that no dollar estimate is possible, the note shall contain a statement to that effect, setting forth the reasons why no dollar estimate can be given. No comment or opinion shall be included in the fiscal note with regard to the merits of the measure for which the note is prepared. However, technical and mechanical defects may be noted.
- (b) The sponsor of each bill, amendment, or resolution to which this subsection applies shall present a copy of the bill, amendment, or resolution with the request for a fiscal note to the Fiscal Research Division. Upon receipt of the request and the copy of the bill, amendment, or resolution, the Fiscal Research Division shall prepare the fiscal note as promptly as possible. The Fiscal Research Division shall prepare the fiscal note and transmit it to the sponsor within two weeks after the request is made, unless the sponsor agrees to an extension of time.
- (c) This fiscal note shall be attached to the original of each proposed bill, amendment, or resolution that is reported favorably by any committee, but shall be separate from the bill, amendment, or resolution and shall be clearly designated as a fiscal note. A fiscal note attached to a bill, amendment, or resolution pursuant to this subsection is not a part of the bill, amendment, or resolution and is not an expression of legislative intent proposed by the bill, amendment, or resolution.
- (d) If a committee reports favorably a proposed bill or resolution with an amendment that proposes a change in the law that could cause a net increase in the length of time for which persons are incarcerated or the

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number of persons incarcerated, whether by increasing penalties for violating existing laws, by criminalizing behavior, or by any other means, the chair of the committee shall obtain from the Fiscal Research Division and attach to the amended bill or resolution a fiscal note as provided in this rule.

RULE 42.4. Content of appropriations bills. – (a) No provision changing existing law shall be contained in any of the following bills: (i) the Current Operations Appropriations Bill; (ii) the Capital Improvement Appropriations Bill; (iii) any bill generally revising appropriations for the second fiscal year of a biennium.

- (b) No amendment to any bill listed in subsection (a) of this rule shall be in order if the language is prohibited by that subsection.
- (c) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b) of this rule, any of the bills listed in subsection (a) of this rule or an amendment to such bill may change existing law if the change:
 - (1) Alters expenditures or salaries;
 - (2) Changes the scope or character of a program which must be reduced, increased, or changed because of an increase or decrease of funds appropriated for the program or because of changes in federal law or regulation; or
 - (3) Modifies any function of State government which necessitates a transfer of funds from one department to another;

provided, that for a provision to be in order under this subsection, it must be recommended to the General Assembly in a written report adopted by the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee before or at the same time the bill is reported, or, if such provision is contained in a floor amendment, the sponsor of the amendment must present to the Principal Clerk at or before the time the amendment is offered an explanation of the amendment for distribution to each member of the Senate.

RULE 42.5. **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee meetings.** – The Appropriations/Base Budget Cochairs may in their exclusive discretion direct that the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee or its subcommittees or both may consider the budget and the budget plan, including all appropriations, in separate meetings from the House of Representatives and may do all things separately from the House of Representatives.

RULE 43. First reading; reference to committee. — All bills filed for introduction and all House bills received in the Office of the Principal Clerk not later than one and one-half hours preceding the convening of the Senate, upon presentation to the Senate, shall be read in regular order of business by their number and title, which shall constitute the first reading of the bill. The Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate or, in the Chair's absence, the Vice-Chair of the Committee or the President Pro Tempore may refer to a Senate committee all bills introduced in the Senate or received from the House of Representatives. Upon the referral being made, the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate shall notify the Principal Clerk of the Senate of the referral, and the Reading Clerk shall announce the referral of the bill. The Principal Clerk shall inform the Presiding Officer of the referral. The title and referral shall be entered upon the Journal.

Bills may be referred to more than one committee serially: e.g., "S.B. is referred to the Committee on Finance and upon a favorable report referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee."

- RULE 44. **Bills to receive three readings.** Every bill shall receive three readings before being passed, and the Presiding Officer shall give notice at each reading whether it be the first, second, or third. Unless a member of the Senate objects, a bill may be referred to, and presented to the Senate, by its bill number and short title. The Reading Clerk shall announce the referral as set forth in Rule 43. No bill shall be amended upon the floor of the Senate, except under Rule 45.1, until it has been twice read. Senate simple resolutions shall not require three readings.
- RULE 45. **Reports of committees.** Every Senator presenting a report of a committee shall endorse the report with the name of the committee. The report of the committee shall show that a quorum of the committee was present and a majority of those present voted in favor of the report. Every report of the committee upon a bill or resolution shall stand upon the general orders with the bill or resolution. No committee shall report a bill or resolution without prejudice.
- RULE 45.1. Action on amendment or committee substitute; distribution of committee substitutes. (a) If any committee recommends adoption of an amendment or committee substitute of a bill or resolution, the amendment or committee substitute shall be considered adopted upon the reading of the committee report. The bill or resolution, as amended, or its adopted committee substitute shall be placed on the calendar for the next legislative day or re-referred if the bill or resolution was serially referred. The committee substitute's original bill or resolution shall lie on the table.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this rule, a committee substitute for a simple resolution shall be placed on the calendar for the next legislative day for a vote on its adoption.
- (c) Unless a committee substitute of a bill or resolution being considered by a committee is distributed to members of that committee no later than 6:00 P.M. the day prior to the committee meeting, the committee substitute shall be carried over to the next day, unless a majority of the members of that committee present and voting vote to take up the measure at that time.
- RULE 46. **Unfavorable report by committee.** All bills reported unfavorably by the committee to which they were referred shall lie upon the table but may be taken from the table and placed upon the calendar by a two-thirds vote of the membership of the Senate present and voting.
- RULE 47. Recall of bill from committee and discharge petition; recalendaring or referral of a bill to committee. (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, only the President Pro Tempore, the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, or the chair of a committee to which a bill or other matter is assigned may, with the consent of a majority of the membership of the Senate present and voting, recall the measure from its assigned committee to be referred to another committee or the floor. Only the President Pro Tempore or the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate may, with the consent of a majority present and voting, re-calendar a bill or resolution appearing on the calendar or refer or re-refer it to committee.

- (b) A motion to discharge a committee from consideration of a bill or resolution may be filed with the Principal Clerk if accompanied by a petition signed by two-thirds of the members of the Senate asking that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the bill or resolution. No petition may be circulated for signatures until 10 legislative days after the bill has been referred to the committee. No petition may be circulated for signature until notice has been given on the floor of the Senate that the petition is to be circulated. If such a motion accompanied by a valid petition is filed, the Principal Clerk shall place that motion on the calendar for the next legislative day as a special order of business. If the motion is adopted by two-thirds of the members of the Senate, then the committee to which the bill or resolution has been referred is discharged from further consideration of the bill or resolution, and that bill or resolution is placed on the calendar for the next legislative day as a special order of business. If the committee had, prior to discharge, adopted any amendment or committee substitute for the bill, it shall be in order to offer that amendment or substitute on the floor as if it were a committee amendment or substitute. The Principal Clerk shall provide a form for discharge petitions.
 - (c) This rule shall not be temporarily suspended.
- RULE 48. **Calendar; order to be followed.** The Presiding Officer and the Principal Clerk of the Senate shall see that all bills are acted upon by the Senate in the order in which they stand upon the calendar, unless otherwise ordered in accordance with Rule 47. The published calendar shall include all bills reported favorably from committees, or placed on the calendar on motion, and shall include the bill number and short title of each bill on the calendar.
- RULE 49. Consideration of gubernatorial nominations or appointments. - When received by the Principal Clerk, written notice of a gubernatorial nomination or appointment that requires confirmation by the General Assembly or the Senate shall be read in session and shall be referred by the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, or in the Chairman's absence the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, to the appropriate Senate committee. The Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate may file an appropriate resolution for consideration of the nomination or appointment. For statewide or at-large nominations or appointments, the Principal Clerk shall transmit a copy of the notice of nomination or appointment to the Senator or Senators representing the county in which the nominee or appointee resides. For nominations or appointments of persons to represent a particular district or region of the State, the Principal Clerk shall transmit a copy of the notice of nomination or appointment to the Senator or Senators representing all or a portion of the particular district or region to be represented. The chair of the Senate committee receiving referral of any nomination or appointment shall determine the procedure by which the committee shall consider that nomination or appointment and may make a report of its recommendation to the Senate.
- RULE 50. Third reading requirements. No bill on its third reading shall be acted upon out of the regular order in which it stands on the calendar, and no bill shall be acted upon on its third reading the same day on which it passed its second reading, unless so ordered by two-thirds of the membership of the Senate present and voting.

RULE 51. **Special orders.** – Any bill or other matter in consideration before the Senate may be made a special order for a subsequent day or hour by a vote of the majority of the Senators voting, and if action on the bill is not completed on that day, it shall be returned to its place on the calendar, unless it is made a special order for another day; and when a special order is under consideration it shall take precedence over any special order or subsequent order for the day, but such subsequent order may be taken up immediately after the previous special order has been disposed of.

RULE 52. **Procedure when necessary number of Senators not present.**— If, on taking the question on a bill, it appears that a constitutional quorum is not present, or if the bill requires a vote of a certain proportion of all the Senators to pass it, and it appears that such number is not present, the bill shall be again read and the question taken thereon; if the bill fails a second time for the want of the necessary number being present and voting, the bill shall not be finally lost but shall be returned to the calendar in its proper order.

RULE 53. Effect of defeated measure. – (a) After a bill has been tabled, or has failed to pass on any of its readings, the contents of such bill or the principal provisions of its subject matter shall not be embodied in any other measure. After an amendment has been tabled or defeated on the Senate floor, the contents of such amendment or the principal provisions of its subject matter shall not be embodied in any other measure. If a substitute amendment is adopted on the floor, the contents of the previously pending amendment which are not contained in the substitute shall be considered to have been defeated. Upon the point of order being raised and sustained by the Presiding Officer, such measure shall be laid upon the table and shall not be taken therefrom except by a vote of two-thirds of the membership of the Senate present and voting: Provided, no local bill shall be held by the Presiding Officer as embodying the provisions of, or being identical with, any statewide measure which has been laid upon the table or failed to pass any of its readings.

(b) When a bill has been postponed indefinitely by the Senate, the bill shall lie upon the table and shall not be taken therefrom except by a vote of two-thirds of the membership of the Senate present and voting.

RULE 54. **Taking bill from table.** – No bill which has been laid upon the table shall be taken therefrom except by a vote of two-thirds of the membership of the Senate present and voting.

RULE 54.1. **Bill title.** – The title of each bill shall adequately and fairly reflect its subject matter.

RULE 55. **Amending titles of bills.** – When a bill is materially modified or the scope of its application extended or decreased, or if the county or counties to which it applies is changed, the title of the bill shall be changed by the committee having it in charge or by the Principal Clerk, so as to indicate the full purport of the bill as amended and the county or counties to which it applies.

RULE 56. Corrections of typographical errors in bills. – The Enrolling Clerk is authorized to make corrections of typographical errors in the text of bills at any time prior to ratification. Before the correction is made, the Enrolling Clerk shall have the approval of the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate or, in the Chair's absence, the Vice-Chair of said Committee, the President Pro Tempore, or the Deputy President Pro Tempore.

- RULE 56.1. Amendments and committee substitutes adopted by the House to bills originating in the Senate. (a) Whenever the House has adopted an amendment or a committee substitute for a bill originating in the Senate, and has returned the bill to the Senate for concurrence in that amendment or committee substitute, the Senate may not concur in that amendment or committee substitute until the next legislative day following the day on which the Senate receives that measure.
- (b) The Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, (or in that Chair's absence the President Pro Tempore) may, or upon motion supported by a majority of the Senate present and voting shall, refer the bill to an appropriate committee for consideration of the amendment or committee substitute.
- (c) The Presiding Officer shall, in placing the bill on the calendar, rule whether the amendment or committee substitute is a material amendment under Article II, Section 23, of the State's Constitution. If the measure is referred to committee, the committee shall:
 - (1) Report the bill with the recommendation either that the Senate do concur or that the Senate do not concur; and
 - (2) Advise the Presiding Officer as to whether or not the amendment or committee substitute is a material amendment under Article II, Section 23, of the State's Constitution.
- (d) If the amendment or committee substitute for a bill is not a material amendment, the question before the Senate shall be concurrence. In the event there is more than one House amendment, the question shall be concurrence in all the House amendments, and the question may not be divided, notwithstanding Rule 28. The question that shall be put before the Senate by the Presiding Officer shall be: "Does the Senate concur in the House amendments (committee substitute) to S.B. _____?".
- (e) If the amendment or committee substitute for a bill is a material amendment, the receiving of that bill on messages shall constitute first reading, and the question before the Senate shall be concurrence on second reading. If the motion is passed, the question then shall be concurrence on third reading on the next legislative day.
- (f) No committee substitute adopted by the House to a bill originating in the Senate may be amended by the Senate.
- RULE 57. Conference committee. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or in the President Pro Tempore's absence, the Deputy President Pro Tempore, upon motion, may appoint a conference committee when the Senate fails to concur in amendments or committee substitutes put by the House to a bill originating in the Senate, or when the House of Representatives fails to concur in amendments or committee substitutes put by the Senate to a bill originating in the House. Senate conferees shall include the primary sponsor of the bill. In considering the bill committed to the conferees, only such matters as are germane to the bill shall be considered by the conferees, and the conference report shall deal only with such matters. The matters referred to the conference committee by the conference committee chairs shall go to and be considered by the conferees

appointed by the Senate and the House of Representatives. While the bill is in conference committee, the Senate's position shall be determined by a majority of the Senate conferees. Upon agreement by the Senate and House of Representatives, a conference report shall be drafted reflecting the matters considered and agreed upon by the conferees. The conference report shall not be amended. A conference report in order under this Rule when reported to the Senate shall be calendared for consideration of the question of adoption on any date specified by the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, or in the absence of the Chairman, by the President Pro Tempore. In the absence of any such specification it shall be calendared for the next legislative day.

- RULE 57.1. **Germaneness of amendment or committee substitute.** (a) All floor amendments shall be germane to the subject matter of the measure under consideration. The question of germaneness of the proposed floor amendment is in order at any time the measure is before the body prior to final action on its adoption.
- (b) In committee, the germaneness of amendments or committee substitutes shall be determined by the chairman of the committee in which such amendments or committee substitutes are offered.
- RULE 58. Certification of passage of bills. The Principal Clerk shall certify the passage of bills by the Senate, with the date thereof, together with the fact whether passed by vote of three-fifths or two-thirds of the membership of the Senate present and voting, whenever such vote may be required by the Constitution or laws of the State.
- RULE 59. **Transmittal of bills to House.** No bill shall be sent from the Senate on the day of its passage except on the last day of the session, unless otherwise ordered by a vote of two-thirds of the membership of the Senate present and voting.
- RULE 59.1. **Engrossment.** Bills which originate in the Senate and that are amended shall be engrossed before being sent to the House.
- RULE 59.2. **Vetoed bills.** (a) Unless directed otherwise by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate on behalf of the Senate, the Principal Clerk or an employee designated by the Principal Clerk shall receive Senate bills not approved by the Governor. The veto message shall be read in the Senate on the next legislative day following its receipt by the Principal Clerk.
- (b) Upon a veto message's being read in the Senate, the Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate shall either refer the bill and the Governor's objections and veto message to committee or place the bill on the calendar for a day certain. The Chair of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate or the Chair's designee shall give the Senate Minority Leader at least 24 hours' notice that a vetoed bill may be considered by the Senate.

VII. LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

RULE 60. **Pages.** – (a) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall appoint pages. The President Pro Tempore, or such person as the President Pro Tempore may designate, shall supervise the pages and assign to them their duties. Each page shall be at least 15 years of age or be in the ninth grade at the time of service.

- (b) Members may designate honorary pages by a statement delivered to the Principal Clerk who will have a certificate issued therefor.
- RULE 61. **Sergeants-at-Arms.** (a) There shall be 16 positions of Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms, to be appointed upon the recommendation of the President Pro Tempore by the Sergeant-at-Arms, who are to work under his or her supervision and to be assigned such duties and powers as he or she shall direct.
- (b) The Sergeant-at-Arms shall be responsible for the safety of the members and employees of the Senate while in the Senate Chamber or any place in which the Senate or its committees are in session.
- (c) The Sergeant-at-Arms shall serve all warrants and subpoenas issued by orders of the Senate and signed by the Presiding Officer of the Senate, and said warrants and subpoenas shall be returnable to the Principal Clerk of the Senate.
- RULE 62. **Principal Clerk's staff.** The Principal Clerk of the Senate shall employ all necessary employees and clerks required to carry out the duties of that office. The Principal Clerk shall have supervision and control and shall assign such duties and powers as the Principal Clerk shall direct to the employees and clerks of that office.
- RULE 63. Legislative assistants and other Senate staff. (a) Each member shall be assigned one legislative assistant position. Additional staff positions may be allocated to members in the discretion of the President Pro Tempore. The selection of the person to fill a staff position assigned or allocated to an individual member's office shall be his or her prerogative.
- (b) Persons seeking an employment position in the office of an individual member shall file initial applications for employment with the Director of Legislative Assistants and shall receive compensation as prescribed by the Legislative Services Commission. Their period of employment shall comply with the period as established by the Legislative Services Commission unless employment for an extended period is approved by the President Pro Tempore. They shall adhere to such uniform regulations and other conditions of employment (including retention) under the direction of the Director of Senate Legislative Assistants as the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate shall adopt.
- (c) The Director of Senate Legislative Assistants and any assistants shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.
- RULE 64. **Senate Journal.** The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall cause the Journal of the Senate to be examined daily before the hour of convening to determine if the proceedings of the previous day have been correctly recorded.
- RULE 65. **Deputy President Pro Tempore.** The Senate shall elect a Deputy President Pro Tempore. Upon a vacancy in the office of President Pro Tempore, the Senate shall elect one of its members to succeed to that office.

VIII. GENERAL RULES

RULE 66. **President to sign papers.** – All addresses and all warrants and subpoenas issued by order of the Senate shall be signed by the President, the President Pro Tempore, or the Deputy President Pro Tempore. All acts and resolutions shall be signed by the President, the President Pro Tempore, the Deputy President Pro Tempore, or by a Senator designated by the President Pro Tempore to act as Presiding Officer.

- RULE 67. Admission to the floor of the Senate. No person except members of the Senate, members of the House of Representatives, staff of the General Assembly; staff of the Lieutenant Governor; Judges of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and Superior Courts; the Governor and members of the Council of State; former members of the General Assembly; and persons particularly invited and extended the privileges of the floor by the Presiding Officer shall be admitted to the floor of the Senate either during its session or be admitted to or remain on the floor of the Senate within 15 minutes prior to the Senate's scheduled daily session. Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, no registered lobbyist shall: (i) be admitted to the floor of the Senate or Senate Chamber while the Senate is in session, (ii) be admitted to or remain on the floor of the Senate within 15 minutes prior to the Senate's scheduled daily session, or (iii) except when a committee is meeting on the floor, be admitted to the floor of the Senate for the 15 minutes after adjournment of the Senate. When the Senate is not in daily session, the President Pro Tempore shall determine the privileges of the floor.
- RULE 67.1. **Recognition for extending courtesies.** (a) Courtesies of the floor and galleries shall be extended only by the Presiding Officer on the Presiding Officer's own motion or upon the written request of a member of the Senate to former members of the General Assembly or to distinguished visitors.
- (b) The Presiding Officer, upon written request at intervals between various orders of business, may extend courtesies to schools or other special large groups visiting in the galleries while they are present, and the Presiding Officer shall, at such times as deemed appropriate, express to those visitors in the galleries the pleasure of the Senate for their presence.
- RULE 68. **Privileges of the floor.** No group or individual other than members of the Senate may make remarks upon the floor of the Senate.
- RULE 69. **News media.** The President Pro Tempore is authorized to assign area and equipment on the floor of the Senate for the use of the representatives of news media, and the President Pro Tempore shall provide regulations for the operation of the representatives of the news media on the floor of the Senate.
- RULE 70. **Absence without leave.** No Senator or officer of the Senate shall depart the service of the Senate without leave or receive pay as a Senator or officer for the time absent without leave.
- RULE 71. **Placing material in Senators' offices.** Any person other than a member of the Senate or an employee of the General Assembly desiring to place articles of any kind in the offices of the members of the Senate shall make written application to and obtain written approval from the Principal Clerk. No items may be placed on members' desks except as permitted under Rule 17.
- RULE 72. **Assignment of seats; offices.** (a) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall assign seats in the Senate Chamber to the members elected. The President Pro Tempore, when assigning seats, may give preferential consideration to the respective members according to the length of service that each member has rendered in the Senate. No incumbent appointed to fill an unexpired term in the immediate preceding session shall retain the seat if requested by a Senator elected to said session.

- (b) Not later than two weeks after the initial committee assignments become final, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate is authorized to make assignments of committee rooms and offices to designated committees, chairs, and members of the Senate. In making such assignments of individual offices, the President Pro Tempore may give preferential consideration to the respective members according to the length of service that each member has rendered in the Senate.
- RULE 73. Administrative rules and regulations involving Senate employees. All administrative rules, regulations, and orders involving all individuals employed to perform duties for the Senate, other than those appointed by the Principal Clerk and the Sergeant-at-Arms, shall be first approved by the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate.
- RULE 74. **Public hearings.** Any Senator may request in writing a public hearing by the committee considering the bill on a public bill. Requests may be granted at the discretion of the chair. Notice shall be given not less than five calendar days prior to public hearings. Such notices shall be issued as information for the press, and the information shall be posted in the places designated by the Principal Clerk.
- RULE 75. **Public hearings; filing of written statements.** Persons desiring to appear and be heard at a public hearing are encouraged to file with the chair of the committee a brief or a written statement of the remarks to be made at least 24 hours before the time of the hearing.
- RULE 76. **Voting in joint sessions.** When the Senate sits jointly with the House, either in committee or in joint session, the Senate reserves the right to vote separately.
- RULE 77. **Alteration, suspension, or rescission of rules.** (a) These rules may not be permanently rescinded or altered except by Senate simple resolution passed by a three-fifths vote of the membership of the Senate. The introducer of the resolution must, on the floor of the Senate, give notice of the intent to introduce the resolution on the legislative day preceding its introduction.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided herein, the Senate, upon motion of the Chairman of the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or the Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the three-fifths vote of the membership of the Senate present and voting, may temporarily suspend any of these rules.
 - **SECTION 2.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Ford, and Senator Garrett.

ELECTION OF AN OFFICER ESTABLISHED BY SENATE RULES

Pursuant to Senate Rule 65, the President declares the floor open to receive nominations for Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

The President recognizes Senator Daniel, who offers the following nomination and remarks:

"Mr. President, members, I rise to nominate Senator Ralph Hise to serve as Deputy President *Pro Tempore* of the North Carolina Senate. Senator Hise and I were both elected to this body in 2010. It has been my pleasure to serve alongside him for the past 10 years. Back then he was the youngest member of the Senate, but we all quickly learned that he was wise beyond his years. Senator Hise has earned his reputation as a senator who has the ability to become an expert on the most complex issues facing our state. Despite having a young family and having to travel farther to Raleigh than 47 of his senate colleagues, he is one of the hardest working legislators and has demonstrated a tremendous commitment to this body. Representing a district that reaches from the Tennessee line on the north to the South Carolina line on the south, Senator Hise has become a legend in western North Carolina, and his leadership in this body has benefited the people of North Carolina from Murphy to Manteo. With that, Mr. President, I formally nominate my dear friend and colleague Senator Ralph Hise to serve as our Deputy President *Pro Tempore*."

The President recognizes Senator Krawiec, who seconds the nomination and offers the following remarks:

"Mr. President and members, I rise to second the nomination of Senator Ralph Hise to serve as our Deputy President *Pro Tempore*. Senator Hise, as my colleague Senator Daniel said, is wise beyond his years, absolutely, 100 percent. He has been my mentor—I'm a few years older, but he has definitely been my mentor. I've known Senator Hise through his mother for a number of years. I consider him a dear friend, and I have learned more from Senator Hise than almost anybody I can think of, certainly in this body, but almost in my lifetime. I consider him to be genius on all things health care, and I couldn't do the things I've done on health care without his assistance. And he's always there, as Senator Daniel said, he's one of the hardest workers we have in this body. Anytime I have called on him for anything, he has always been there. I consider him a dear friend, and I am honored to second his nomination. I further move, Mr. President, that the nominations be closed and that Senator Hise's nomination be accepted by acclamation."

The motion offered by Senator Krawiec that the nominations be closed and that Senator Hise be elected Deputy President *Pro Tempore* by acclamation prevails.

The President declares Senator Hise duly elected Deputy President *Pro Tempore* and appoints Senator Ballard, Senator Daniel, Senator Krawiec, and Senator Sanderson to escort the Deputy President *Pro Tempore*-elect to the well of the Senate. Senator Daniel presents Senator Hise to the President. The Honorable Tamara Barringer administers the prescribed oath of office.

The President recognizes Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, who addresses the body from the well of the Senate, offering the following remarks:

"Thank you, Mr. President, President Pro Tempore, members of the Judiciary—it does my heart great to see you back in the chamber, Tamara, thank you—distinguished visitors and guests, fellow members of the Senate, thank you for your support. I will do the best that I can for this office to support the President Pro Tempore, Phil Berger, and all the members of this exalted chamber. I appreciate all the support you have given me. Two years ago, I was privileged to stand here for the first time and receive the oath for this office. I was here with my wife, Linn, my sons, my mother. And as most of you know, last October she finished her battle with cancer. It's a very special day for me today. Today would have been her seventy-first birthday. As I stand here, I want to first thank so many people in this body and others for their prayers, their support, and their wishes as I and my family made it through that very difficult time. I am humbled to serve with such great individuals, who offer those supports in times of need. Thank you for your vote of confidence again in this position, as this begins the second decade in a new age of history in the North Carolina Senate under the capable leadership of Senator Phil Berger, who jokingly said he was the last Republican to serve in the minority and is still serving in this Senate. I hope it stays that way for a very long time. I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson and say that we look forward to working alongside you and could not be more excited about what your historical election and service represents to the citizens of North Carolina. I will keep my other comments brief. I have searched for what I could say at this moment, given everything we are seeing in this nation—the conflicts, the pandemic, the issues we saw at our national capitol. It has been laid heavy on my heart for weeks now. A verse from Ephesians 6, verse 12: 'For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of darkness of the world, and against spiritual wickedness in high places.' Too often, as elected officials, we are drawn to conflicts with each other. We are led to believe that the enemy sits on a different row, in a different chamber, or even in a different branch of government. But we often miss the opportunity to wrestle against the true enemies that afflict so many. This Bible, that I have taken the oath on today, belonged to my grandmother. It was one that was given to her many years ago by her Sunday School class. It used to be red, but over many years of prayers and study it has become this whitishpink color. My grandparents never had much. I was twelve years old when they finally moved to a home with running water—a home that didn't require building a fire in the kitchen stove, a pan in the kitchen for a bathtub, and a long walk out the back door to get to the outhouse. My grandmother worked for almost 40 years in a lunchroom at a local community school. She never drove a car—never even wore pants—but she committed everything to improving the lives of her children, grandchildren, and the children she served every day in that community lunchroom. She made sure that my mother was the first in her family to go to college, through an exchange program at Warren Wilson College. And make no mistake about it, I stand here today because of the battle she fought. This Bible shows the scars of where she wrestled against principalities, against powers,

against rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. And two generations later, I am able to stand here with a testament to that battle she fought. Truth is, all of us come from similar struggles where people have fought those battles for us and we are all truly blessed to be here today. And we can all reflect on what delivered us to that point. It is my hope and prayer especially in those moments where we feel drawn to wrestle against each other—when we see those in the other party or chamber or government branch as our enemies—that we instead take a moment to reflect on what we are truly called to battle against and the simple power that we all have to truly change things. I hope at the end of this biennium that our theme reflects similar to what this verse says—that we didn't fight against each other and against parties, but we fought against the things that hold people back all across this state. I again say thank you for this opportunity to serve and to lead in this body, and I look forward to standing arm in arm with so many of you as we continue to build this state following this pandemic and this unprecedented season of division. Thank you."

ELECTION OF STATUTORY OFFICERS

Pursuant to G.S. 120-37, the President declares the floor open to receive nominations for the Office of Principal Clerk.

The President recognizes Senator Rabon, who offers the following nomination and remarks:

"Mr. President, members, I rise today to nominate Sarah Holland again to serve as our Senate Principal Clerk. Sarah has served this body for a decade. Those of us who were in the Senate a decade ago know how much Sarah has done to make our state operations more streamlined and seamless. She has spearheaded efforts to update technology and to improve the way we do things, like file and sponsor bills and participate in debate on the Senate floor. Sarah and her staff are some of the hardest working people in this body. They do this behind the scenes. We rarely see how hard they work. They are here at night long after we leave; the business of the day and the session is complete before any of them go home. These are the people that dot every 'i,' cross every 't,' and make sure every signature is in the proper place and in order so that what we do in this chamber can become law and law without fail. She has done an outstanding job for our chamber, and I am pleased to recommend her for another term. With that, Mr. President, I formally nominate Sarah Holland to serve as Principal Clerk of the 2021 Senate."

The President recognizes Senator Hise, who seconds the nomination and offers the following remarks:

"Mr. President, I rise to second the nomination of Sarah Holland as Principal Clerk of the 2021 North Carolina Senate. You know, it's kind of hard to remember back to what it was like serving in the Senate when we first got here and before Sarah took over. Motions and bills and filing was all a paper process. Everyone's LAs had to stack their little legislative book every day for everything we could

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consider. We had to circle jackets everywhere we went to get signatures and cosignatures. Electronic devices weren't even allowed on the floor when we began. Those may have been easy decisions for us to make as a Senate, but it was the Clerk's office that had to make it all happen, to make it all function, to make it all work. She has done a nearly flawless job over ten years. We are excited to see her grow and her family grow and come forward as she continues the great work she's done. And no one does that great work better than the hallmark of the Senate—to select a staff around them that can make sure it continues to move even if they have to be away for a moment. It's what makes Phil a great leader and it's what makes Sarah a great Clerk. She has a great staff around her. She's had low turnover in the time I've been here, and it gets more efficient every year, and it still has to put up with us and all our little whining and quirks. So with that, Mr. President, I further move—in addition to the nomination—that nominations be closed and that Sarah Holland's nomination as Principal Clerk be accepted by acclamation."

The motion by Senator Hise that the nominations be closed and that Sarah Holland be elected Principal Clerk of the 2021 Senate by acclamation prevails.

The President declares Sarah Holland duly elected and instructs the Sergeantat-Arms to escort the Principal Clerk-elect to the well of the Senate. The Honorable Phil Berger, Jr., administers the prescribed oath of office, and the President directs the Principal Clerk to assume her seat.

Pursuant to G.S. 120-37, the President declares the floor open to receive nominations for the Office of Sergeant-at-Arms.

The President recognizes Senator B. Jackson, who offers the following nomination and remarks:

"Members, I rise to nominate Robert 'Bob' Myrick to serve as our Senate Sergeant-at-Arms. Bob is a proud alumni of East Carolina University, and a month before his graduation—and I did not know this until I was reading up on his bio—with a degree in psychology in 1976, he was already playing professional football in the Canadian Football League. In 1983, Bob realized his lifelong ambition when he joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Bob spent more than 25 years working increasingly sophisticated cases in the areas of organized crime and violent crime as well as domestic and international terrorism. We can certainly use that today here even in North Carolina. During his career, the FBI took full advantage of Bob's organizational and leadership abilities, and Bob was an instructor at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia. But Bob has another side to him as well. Bob is the mission and outreach coordinator at Hope Community Presbyterian Church in Wilmington. He has served on the Board of Directors at New Hanover County Law Enforcement Association and the FBI Retired Association. He is also a former commissioner on the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission. And Bob and his wife Lynda live in Wilmington. They have two happily married children, Scott and

Caroline, and one granddaughter, Della Frances. Bob has been a member of the Senate Sergeant-at-Arms staff since 2011. And with that, Mr. President, I formally nominate Bob Myrick to serve as our Sergeant-at-Arms of the 2021 North Carolina Senate."

The President recognizes Senator Newton, who seconds the nomination and offers the following remarks:

"Members, I am honored to second the nomination of Robert 'Bob' Myrick to serve as our Sergeant-at-Arms. I also move that the nominations be closed and that Bob Myrick's nomination be accepted by acclamation."

The motion offered by Senator Newton that the nominations be closed and that Robert Myrick be elected Sergeant-at-Arms of the 2021 Senate by acclamation prevails.

The President declares Robert Myrick duly elected and directs the Sergeantat-Arms-elect to proceed to the well of the Senate. The Honorable Tamara Barringer administers the prescribed oath of office.

RECOGNITION OF PARTY OFFICERS

The President directs the clerk to read as follows:

North Carolina General Assembly Senate

January 12, 2021

The Honorable Mark Robinson President of the Senate Room 2105, Legislative Building Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-2808

Dear President Robinson:

This is to advise you that the Senate Republican Caucus met on November 30, 2020, with 28 members present and elected the following officers for the 2021 Session of the General Assembly:

Senate Majority Leader - Senator Kathy Harrington Senate Majority Whip - Senator Tom McInnis Senate Majority Whip - Senator Jim Perry Republican Joint Caucus Leader - Senator Carl Ford

In addition, the following officers were nominated for the 2021 Session of the General Assembly:

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President Pro Tempore - Senator Philip Berger Deputy President Pro Tempore - Senator Ralph Hise Principal Clerk - Ms. Sarah Lang Holland Sergeant-at-Arms - Mr. Robert Myrick

> Sincerely, S/ Kathy Harrington Majority Leader of the Republican Caucus

cc: The Honorable Philip Berger Ms. Sarah Lang Holland

> North Carolina General Assembly Senate 1117 Legislative Building 16 West Jones Street Raleigh, NC 27601-2808

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The Honorable Mark K. Robinson Legislative Building Room 2104 Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

The Senate Democratic Caucus met on Tuesday, November 24, 2020, and elected the following officers for the 2021-22 Legislative Term:

Senator Daniel T. Blue, Jr. (Wake), Minority Leader Senator Jay Chaudhuri (Wake), Minority Whip Senator Valerie Foushee (Orange), Caucus Chair Senator Robert (Ben) Clark, III (Hoke), Caucus Secretary

> Respectfully, S/ Robert B. Clark, III Senate Democratic Caucus Secretary

cc: The Honorable Philip E. Berger The Honorable Daniel T. Blue, Jr. Ms. Sarah Holland, Principal Clerk

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Having voted with the majority, Senator Rabon offers a motion that the vote by which Senator Philip E. Berger was elected President *Pro Tempore* of the Senate be reconsidered. He further moves that the motion to reconsider do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Hise, which motion prevails (47-0).

MOTION TO FILE A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon offers a motion that the rules be suspended to the end that the Senate Joint Resolution with the short title "Adjourn 2021 Organizational Session" be filed and brought to the floor for first reading and then immediate consideration on second reading. He further moves that upon its passage the resolution be sent to the House of Representatives by special message. The motions prevail without objection, and the Chair so orders.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.J.R. 2, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2021 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN, AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

The Joint Resolution is placed on today's calendar for immediate consideration.

CALENDAR

A resolution on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.J.R. 2, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2021 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN, AS PROVIDED BY LAW, upon second reading.

The Joint Resolution passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

REMARKS BY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate, offers the following remarks:

"As the new President of the Senate, I would like to take a few moments just to address this honorable body. I'll take my glasses off to say this in case they get a little steamy. As a person who comes from very humble beginnings—as I am sure a lot of you all do—I, personally, come from a blue collar background. Just a few years ago—for those of you all who don't know—I was working in a factory in High Point. Now I stand here as the Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina. This has been an amazing journey. And the reason why it has been an amazing journey is because I live in an amazing state in the greatest nation on earth. I don't believe there's any other nation on earth that would have allowed me to rise to this station in life so quickly than the United States of America. I say that for this

purpose. I firmly believe that this is still the land of opportunity—equal opportunity, and freedom, and justice. I still believe that, and anyone who doesn't, I can sit them down and I have a story to tell them about Mrs. Robinson's youngest son from Greensboro, North Carolina, who, once upon a time, sat on a bannister in a rat infested house and dreamed of doing great things, and because his mother had overwhelming faith in God and because he lives in the greatest and freest nation on earth he has now achieved great things. So I say to you, keep in mind, this country may have many problems, but it's still the greatest country on earth. And as Lieutenant Governor, I intend to fight every day to make sure that this state, the greatest state in the greatest country on earth, stays that way. I'm honored to be here. Thank you all for accepting me, and I look forward to working with each and every one of you."

MESSAGE SENT TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The President directs the Principal Clerk to send a message to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body that the Senate of the 2021 General Assembly is organized and ready to proceed with public business.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 1:33 p.m., pursuant to **S.J.R. 2**, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, January 27, at 12:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives January 13, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that pursuant to a Proclamation issued by Governor Roy Cooper on January 11, 2021, James Roberson has been administered the oath of office as a Member of the House of Representatives for the remainder of the 2021-2022 General Assembly. Representative Roberson has been seated to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Representative Darren G. Jackson from the 39th District and will occupy Seat 106.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives January 13, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives is organized and is now ready to proceed with the public business of the State and has elected the following officers:

Speaker: Representative Tim Moore
Speaker Pro Tempore: Representative Sarah Stevens

Principal Clerk: James White

And pursuant to House Rule 45, the Speaker has appointed:

Sergeant-at-Arms: Larry Elliott

Further be advised that the House has been notified of the election of the following party officers:

Majority Leader: Representative John R. Bell, IV
Deputy Majority Leader: Representative Brenden Jones
Majority Whip: Representative John Hardister
Deputy Whips: Representative Bobby Hanig

Representative Keith Kidwell Representative James L. Boles, Jr. Representative Pat McElraft

Conference Chair: Representative John Szoka
Deputy Conference Chairs: Representative Jason Saine

Representative Tim Moffitt Representative Matthew Winslow

Joint Caucus Liaison Representative Pat Hurley
New Member Leader: Representative David Willis
New Member Whip: Representative Ben T. Moss, Jr.
Minority Leader: Representative Robert T. Reives, II
Deputy Democratic Leader: Representative Gale Adcock
House Democratic Whips: Representative Deb Butler

Representative Susan C. Fisher Representative Amos L. Quick, III Representative Raymond E. Smith, Jr.

Freshman Caucus Co-chairs: Representative Vernetta Alston Representative Terry M. Brown, Jr.

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Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

ENROLLED RESOLUTION

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.J.R. 2, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2021 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN, AS PROVIDED BY LAW. (Res. 2021-1)

SENATE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS 2021-2022

Pursuant to Senate Rule 31, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, makes the following appointments of committee chairs and committee members for the 2021-2022 Session:

Agriculture, Energy, and Environment

Co-Chair: Senator Edwards Co-Chair: Senator B. Jackson Co-Chair: Senator Sanderson

Members: Senators Barnes, Burgin, Craven, Davis, Fitch, Garrett, J. Jackson,

Jarvis, McInnis, Murdock, Newton, Proctor, Salvador, Steinburg

Appropriations/Base Budget

Co-Chair: Senator Harrington Co-Chair: Senator Hise Co-Chair: Senator B. Jackson

Members: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Blue, Britt, Chaudhuri, Clark, Daniel, deViere, Ford, Krawiec, Lee, Marcus, McInnis, Mohammed, Perry, Rabon,

Robinson, Sanderson, Sawyer, Woodard

Appropriations on Agriculture, Natural, and Economic Resources

Co-Chair: Senator Edwards Co-Chair: Senator Johnson Co-Chair: Senator Sanderson

Members: Senators Barnes, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Newton,

Salvador

Appropriations on Education/Higher Education

Co-Chair: Senator Ballard Co-Chair: Senator Lee

Members: Senators Alexander, Batch, Chaudhuri, Corbin, Craven, Davis,

Foushee, Sanderson

Appropriations on General Government and Information Technology

Co-Chair: Senator Alexander
Co-Chair: Senator Ford
Co-Chair: Senator Steinburg

Members: Senators Bazemore, Crawford, Lazzara, Nickel

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Appropriations on Health and Human Services

Co-Chair: Senator Burgin Co-Chair: Senator Krawiec Co-Chair: Senator Perry

Members: Senators Ballard, Jarvis, Lowe, Murdock, Robinson, Waddell

Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety

Co-Chair: Senator Britt Co-Chair: Senator Daniel

Members: Senators Blue, Fitch, Galey, J. Jackson, Steinburg

Appropriations on Department of Transportation

Co-Chair: Senator McInnis Co-Chair: Senator Sawyer

Members: Senators de Viere, Garrett, Proctor, Rabon, Woodard

Commerce and Insurance

Co-Chair: Senator Edwards Co-Chair: Senator Johnson Co-Chair: Senator McInnis

Members: Senators Alexander, Batch, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin, Craven, deViere, Foushee, Garrett, B. Jackson, Lowe, Newton, Robinson, Sawyer,

Steinburg

Education/Higher Education

Co-Chair: Senator Ballard Co-Chair: Senator Lee

Members: Senators Barnes, Chaudhuri, Corbin, Craven, Davis, Foushee, Galey,

Lazzara, McInnis, Proctor, Robinson, Sanderson, Sawyer, Waddell

Finance

Co-Chair: Senator Daniel Co-Chair: Senator Newton Co-Chair: Senator Rabon

Members: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Blue, Britt, Clark, Edwards, Fitch, Foushee, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Johnson, Krawiec, Lee, Lowe, Perry,

Robinson, Sawyer, Waddell, Woodard

Health Care

Co-Chair: Senator Burgin Co-Chair: Senator Krawiec Co-Chair: Senator Perry

Members: Senators Ballard, Barnes, Britt, Crawford, Davis, Hise, Jarvis,

Johnson, Lee, Mohammed, Robinson, Woodard

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Judiciary

Co-Chair: Senator Britt Co-Chair: Senator Sanderson

Members: Senators Blue, Daniel, Edwards, Fitch, Galey, Harrington, J. Jackson,

Lazzara, Lee, Marcus, Mohammed, Newton, Nickel, Steinburg

Pensions and Retirement and Aging

Co-Chair: Senator Ballard Co-Chair: Senator Harrington Co-Chair: Senator Krawiec

Members: Senators Alexander, Batch, Bazemore, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Ford,

Hise, Nickel, Perry, Rabon, Steinburg, Waddell

Redistricting and Elections

Co-Chair: Senator Daniel Co-Chair: Senator Hise Co-Chair: Senator Newton

Members: Senators Blue, Clark, Davis, Edwards, Ford, Harrington, B. Jackson,

Krawiec, Lowe, Marcus, Nickel, Perry, Rabon

Rules and Operations of the Senate

Chair: Senator Rabon

Members: Senators Ballard, Blue, Chaudhuri, Clark, Daniel, Davis, Edwards, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Johnson, Krawiec, Lowe, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Sanderson, Waddell, Woodard

State and Local Government

Co-Chair: Senator Alexander Co-Chair: Senator Ford Co-Chair: Senator Steinburg

Members: Senators Bazemore, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Foushee, Galey, J.

Jackson, Jarvis, Lazzara, Mayfield, Proctor, Salvador, Sanderson

Transportation

Co-Chair: Senator Britt
Co-Chair: Senator McInnis
Co-Chair: Senator Sawyer

Members: Senators Burgin, Daniel, deViere, Fitch, Ford, Garrett, Harrington, J.

Jackson, Johnson, Mayfield, Murdock, Proctor, Rabon

Select Committee on Nominations

Chair: Senator Rabon

Members: Senators Ballard, Blue, Davis, Foushee, Harrington, Hise, B.

Jackson, Krawiec, Robinson, Sanderson

Select Committee on Prison Safety

Chair: Senator Steinburg

Members: Senators Britt, Burgin, Daniel, Fitch, Harrington, Hise, McInnis,

Mohammed, Murdock, Sanderson, Waddell

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, January 27, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County, as follows:

"O Lord, we beseech thee on this day as we begin again our session that you grant us your divine wisdom, providence, and guidance. We acknowledge you as the judge and ruler of the universe. God, you have established government here on earth, and this government—all government—is on your shoulders. Lord, so long as we recognize and attempt to follow you, we pray that you bless this legislative body and our state. I pray for each and every senator and everyone who is associated with it and ask that you enter into our deliberations, our actions, our votes, and the legislation that's introduced so that we incur your favor. We ask for your continued forgiveness, forbearance for these United States, and pray that your grace be extended to us. I pray this in the name of the everlasting Father, Jesus Christ the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, January 13, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 12:06 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, January 28, at 1:00 p.m.

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THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, January 28, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day and this wonderful weather you've given us. We praise you for all that you do, and we thank you for letting us be here today to do your work. We pray that you will guide and direct us. Help us to do things that bring honor and glory to you. Bless everyone here today, Father. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Rabon announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, January 27, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 1:02 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, February 1, at 3:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Burgin:

S.B. 3, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 12TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Davis, Lazzara (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Crawford, deViere, Johnson, Perry, Sanderson and Steinburg:

S.B. 4, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE EQUAL TAX TREATMENT OF MILITARY AND GOVERNMENT RETIREES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Sawyer, Ford (Primary Sponsors) and Corbin:

S.B. 5, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE LICENSING AND PERMITTING FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FIRMS THAT INSTALL AND SERVICE PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS AND FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senator Edwards:

S.B. 6, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 48TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Johnson:

S.B. 7, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 35TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Corbin:

S.B. 8, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO IMPLEMENT AN IN-STATE TUITION PILOT PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTS OF CERTAIN GEORGIA COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Corbin:

S.B. 9, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE GRAHAM COUNTY DISTRICT G AND AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF AN OCCUPANCY TAX IN THE DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Perry, Hise (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Chaudhuri, Corbin, Crawford, Daniel, deViere, Edwards, Galey, Krawiec, Newton, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg and Woodard:

S.B. 10, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE NORTH CAROLINA POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION CAN APPOINT ONE FULL-TIME SWORN LAW-ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TO SERVE ON THE NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Proctor:

S.B. 11, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 42ND SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Clark (Primary Sponsor); Crawford, deViere, Fitch, Foushee, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador and Woodard:

S.B. 12, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE INCOME TAX RELIEF FOR CERTAIN RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Barnes:

S.B. 13, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 11TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senator B. Jackson:

 ${f S.B.}$ 14, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 10TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Foushee, Marcus, Murdock (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Clark, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Mayfield, Mohammed, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 15, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RATIFY THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA RELATING TO EQUAL RIGHTS FOR MEN AND WOMEN AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Craven:

S.B. 16, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 26TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Perry:

S.B. 17, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 7TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Fitch and Foushee:

S.B. 18, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW BRODY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AT EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis (Primary Sponsor); Batch, Chaudhuri, Crawford, Fitch, Foushee, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel and Salvador:

S.B. 19, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION TO STUDY AND REPORT ON RAISING SALARIES FOR NONCERTIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES TO AT LEAST FIFTEEN DOLLARS PER HOUR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Corbin, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Johnson and Sawyer:

S.B. 20, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING IT UNLAWFUL TO USE A WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE WHILE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE ON A PUBLIC STREET, HIGHWAY, OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREA.

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Pursuant to Senator Rabon's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, February 1, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. Thank you for a wonderful day in your house yesterday. We pray that you will help us and guide us this week as we do your business, Father. Give us grace and mercy. We thank you in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Rabon announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, January 28, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Senate recesses at 3:08 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Galey:

S.B. 21, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 24TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lazzara:

S.B. 22, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 6TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

By Senator Alexander:

S.B. 23, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 44TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator McInnis:

S.B. 24, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 25TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Ford:

S.B. 25, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 33RD SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Steinburg, Lazzara (Primary Sponsors) and Sanderson:

S.B. 26, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A TERMINAL GROIN IS NOT AN EROSION CONTROL STRUCTURE AND THEREFORE IS NOT SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS ON THOSE STRUCTURES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Burgin:

S.B. 27, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCENTIVIZE AGRICULTURAL MANUFACTURING IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Sanderson:

S.B. 28, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 2ND SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Barnes, the Senate adjourns at 4:41 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, February 2, at 8:15 a.m.

FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, February 2, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 8:15 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Perry, Craven, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Johnson and Steinburg:

S.B. 29, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE THE TIME ALLOWED TO PLACE A POLITICAL SIGN IN A RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM 30 DAYS TO 10 DAYS BEFORE ONE-STOP EARLY VOTING AND 10 DAYS AFTER THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Craven, Galey (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Corbin, Daniel, Ford, Hise, Jarvis, Krawiec, Lazzara, Newton, Perry, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 30, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND ELIGIBILITY FOR REDUCED PRICE LIFETIME HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES TO MEMBERS OF VOLUNTEER RESCUE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SQUADS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Proctor, Craven (Primary Sponsors); Perry and Sawyer: S.B. 31, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE SHALL NOTIFY PERSONS OR BUSINESSES WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTIONAL LIMITS BY REGULAR OR ELECTRONIC MAIL OF WORK REQUIRING AN ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE OF \$50,000 OR MORE BEING LET FOR BID BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Newton:

S.B. 32, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 36TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Ballard:

S.B. 33, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 45TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

By Senator Mayfield:

S.B. 34, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 49TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer, Britt, Foushee (Primary Sponsors); Ballard, Batch, Chaudhuri, Corbin, Crawford, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, J. Jackson, Johnson, Lazzara, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, Murdock, Newton, Perry, Salvador, Sanderson, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 35, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWFUL AGE TO ENTER INTO MARRIAGE IN THIS STATE TO 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators B. Jackson, Harrington, Hise (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, deViere, Edwards, Galey, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Newton, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 36, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION.

Referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee.

By Senators Ballard, Lee, Hise (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Galey, Harrington, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, McInnis, Perry, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 37, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE.

Referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators Perry, Lazzara, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Clark, Corbin and Sawyer:

S.B. 38, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A NONATTORNEY SOLE OWNER OF AN S CORPORATION TO LEGALLY REPRESENT AND APPEAR IN COURT ON BEHALF OF THE S CORPORATION IN CERTAIN CIVIL ACTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer, Perry, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Corbin, Hise, Jarvis, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee and Sanderson:

S.B. 39, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE TIME ZONE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO ADOPT DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME YEAR-ROUND IF AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS.

By Senators Sawyer and Galey (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 40, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT THE SALE, POSSESSION, AND USE OF CERTAIN CONSUMER FIREWORKS AND TO LEVY AN EXCISE TAX ON THE SALES OF CONSUMER FIREWORKS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Harrington for the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee:

S.B. 36, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION, with a favorable report.

By Senator Ballard for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 37, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 18, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW BRODY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AT EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on January 28.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 26, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A TERMINAL GROIN IS NOT AN EROSION CONTROL STRUCTURE AND THEREFORE IS NOT SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS ON THOSE STRUCTURES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 1.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 29, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE THE TIME ALLOWED TO PLACE A POLITICAL SIGN IN A RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM 30 DAYS TO 10 DAYS BEFORE ONE-STOP EARLY VOTING AND 10 DAYS AFTER THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 2.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 38, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A NONATTORNEY SOLE OWNER OF AN S CORPORATION TO LEGALLY REPRESENT AND APPEAR IN COURT ON BEHALF OF THE S CORPORATION IN CERTAIN CIVIL ACTIONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 2.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us and for your grace and love. We pray that you will bless our Lieutenant Governor and bless our Governor as they make decisions that affect us all. We pray that you will bless everyone here in this building. Guide and direct us to do things that bring honor and glory to you. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Alexander announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, February 1, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Alexander, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 4:06 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, February 3, at 9:30 a.m.

SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, February 3, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

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Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Alexander:

S.B. 41, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF STANLEY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Britt:

S.B. 42, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 13TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Daniel, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Corbin, Craven, Ford, Harrington, Hise, Jarvis, Perry, Sanderson and Sawyer:

S.B. 43, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY SECURITY AND PROTECTION ACT OF 2021.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Rabon:

S.B. 44, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 8TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

S.B. 37, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 41, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF STANLEY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 3.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, may we continue to look to you to heal the strife throughout the world. We need you, Lord. We crave peace and love. The peace that we need cannot be found in a treasure box. It cannot be bought or sold. It cannot be confined by position or stature. You are the only source of peace. May we always look to you for that peace. Help us to only trust your Word. These things we ask in your name, in the name of the Jesus, the only living God. And all the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 2, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Blue, Senator Lee, Senator Lowe, and Senator Marcus.

CALENDAR

A bill on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 36, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION, upon second reading.

Senator B. Jackson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (45-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (45-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the bill is sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 4:14 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, February 4, at 11:00 a.m.

SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, February 4, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Norman W. Sanderson, Senator from Pamlico County, as follows:

"Our most gracious heavenly Father, we want to start our time this morning by giving you thanks for this body, for our state, and for our nation. Lord, over the next few weeks as we propose, as we debate, and as we vote on legislation that affects those folks that we love, Father, we pray that foremost you would allow us to remember Psalm 119, verse 105. It says, 'Your word will be a light unto our feet and a lamp unto our path.' If we remember those words and apply those we will have a tremendously successful General Assembly. It's in Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, February 3, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Blue, Senator Lee, Senator Lowe, and Senator Marcus.

CALENDAR

A bill on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 37, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, upon second reading.

Senator Davis offers Amendment No. 1.

Senator Ballard offers Amendment No. 2 as a substitute amendment, which is adopted (27-18), and Amendment No. 1 subsequently fails.

Senator Waddell offers Amendment No. 3.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 3 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Rabon, which motion prevails (27-18).

Senator Crawford offers Amendment No. 4.

Senator Ballard moves that Amendment No. 4 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Hise, which motion prevails (27-18).

Senator Nickel offers Amendment No. 5.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 5 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Rabon, which motion prevails (27-18).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (29-16).

Senator Woodard objects to third reading of the measure. Pursuant to Rule 50, the Chair orders the bill, as amended, placed on the calendar of Monday, February 8, upon third reading.

WITHDRAWAL FROM FUTURE CALENDAR

S.B. 37, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, as amended.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the bill, as amended, is withdrawn from the calendar of Monday, February 8, and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, February 9.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Woodard, the Senate adjourns at 12:43 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, February 8, at 4:00 p.m.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 36, AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Bills and resolutions filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Woodard:

S.B. 45, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 22ND SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Jarvis:

S.B. 46, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 29TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

By Senator Sawyer:

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S.B. 47, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 34TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

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Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Robinson:

S.B. 48, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 28TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Nickel:

S.B. 49, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 16TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Daniel and Galey (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 50, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES REGARDING ESTATES AND TRUSTS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ESTATE PLANNING & FIDUCIARY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Sanderson:

S.B. 51, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF TRENT WOODS SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED IN 2019 BY ONE YEAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer, Perry, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Craven, Galey, Krawiec, Marcus, Sanderson and Steinburg:

S.B. 52, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OR LINES OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Corbin:

S.B. 53, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 50TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sanderson, B. Jackson, and Edwards (Primary Sponsors):

S.J.R. 54, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENTS OF SAMUEL T. BRATTON AND BRIAN K. NORTH TO THE NORTH CAROLINA MINING COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Sanderson, B. Jackson, Edwards (Primary Sponsors); Burgin, Crawford, Johnson, Lazzara, Marcus, Mayfield, Perry and Sawyer:

S.R. 55, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF D. REID WILSON AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 4 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DELAY ON THE PAYMENT DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWALS AND TO DIRECT THE ABC COMMISSION TO REINSTATE OR REACTIVATE CERTAIN CANCELLED OR INACTIVATED ABC PERMITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 31, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE SHALL NOTIFY PERSONS OR BUSINESSES WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTIONAL LIMITS BY REGULAR OR ELECTRONIC MAIL OF WORK REQUIRING AN ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE OF \$50,000 OR MORE BEING LET FOR BID BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 2.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 50, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES REGARDING ESTATES AND TRUSTS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ESTATE PLANNING & FIDUCIARY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 4.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 51, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF TRENT WOODS SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED IN 2019 BY ONE YEAR, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 4.

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The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 52, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OR LINES OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 4.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.J.R. 54, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENTS OF SAMUEL T. BRATTON AND BRIAN K. NORTH TO THE NORTH CAROLINA MINING COMMISSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 4.

The Joint Resolution is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

S.R. 55, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF D. REID WILSON AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 4.

The resolution is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, February 8, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

February 8, 2021

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. We know that you are the same yesterday, today, and forever. We thank you for that. We pray that you'll guide us this week. We thank you for all that you do. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, February 4, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Berger, the Senate adjourns at 4:16 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, February 9, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Sanderson (Primary Sponsor); Perry and Steinburg:

S.B. 56, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A CAPITAL PROJECT USING NON-GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT TRYON PALACE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Hise:

S.B. 57, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 47TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry (Primary Sponsor) and Britt:

S.B. 58, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO DEER SECRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Sawyer, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Clark, Davis, deViere, Foushee, Galey, Lee, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock, Salvador and Woodard:

S.B. 59, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REINSTATE EDUCATION-BASED SALARY SUPPLEMENTS FOR CERTAIN TEACHERS AND INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators B. Jackson (Primary Sponsor); Britt and Perry:

S.B. 60, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE CERTAIN RULES RELATED TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION.

SENATE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS 2021-2022

Pursuant to Senate Rule 31, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, makes the following additional appointments of committee members for the 2021-2022 Session:

Senator deViere is appointed to the Finance Committee.

Senator Fitch is appointed to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Senator Woodard is appointed to the Transportation Committee.

Senator Lowe is appointed to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, February 9, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m. subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Perry (Primary Sponsor) and Krawiec:

S.B. 61, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION BY PROVIDING FOR CAPITATED CONTRACTS FOR THE PROVISION OF DENTAL SERVICES TO MEDICAID AND NC HEALTH CHOICE RECIPIENTS.

By Senators Daniel, Britt, McInnis (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Craven, deViere, Edwards, Galey, Hise, Johnson, Mohammed, Perry, Sanderson, Sawyer, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 62, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESERVATION ACT OF 2021.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator deViere:

S.B. 63, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 19TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Johnson:

S.B. 64, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE THE SAFETY INSPECTION OF TINTED WINDOWS AND TO REQUIRE A DRIVER TO LOWER A TINTED WINDOW UPON THE APPROACH OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Clark:

S.B. 65, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR ONE DISTRICT COURT JUDGE POSITION FOR HOKE COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Britt, Johnson (Primary Sponsors) and Woodard:

S.B. 66, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE USE OF DEER URINE AND OTHER SECRETIONS FOR THE TAKING OF GAME.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 67, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA FOOD COMMERCIALIZATION CENTER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 68, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 5TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer, McInnis, Britt (Primary Sponsors) and Johnson:

S.B. 69, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION TO UTILIZE A VENDOR TO ADMINISTER ROAD TESTS.

By Senators Lazzara, Perry (Primary Sponsors) and Sanderson:

S.B. 70, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE CAROLINA MUSEUM OF THE MARINE AND CIVIC INSTITUTE IN ONSLOW COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Steinburg:

S.B. 71, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PURPOSES OF ENGAGING IN BEACH EROSION CONTROL AND FLOOD AND HURRICANE PROTECTION WORKS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Steinburg (Primary Sponsor); Alexander and Galey:

S.B. 72, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE PURCHASE OF UP TO FOUR YEARS' CREDITABLE SERVICE IN THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AT FULL COST BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS HOLDING AN ADVANCED LAW ENFORCEMENT CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator B. Jackson for the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee**:

S.J.R. 54, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENTS OF SAMUEL T. BRATTON AND BRIAN K. NORTH TO THE NORTH CAROLINA MINING COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Joint Resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

S.R. 55, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF D. REID WILSON AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

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H.B. 4 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DELAY ON THE PAYMENT DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWALS AND TO DIRECT THE ABC COMMISSION TO REINSTATE OR REACTIVATE CERTAIN CANCELLED OR INACTIVATED ABC PERMITS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 4.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 58, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO DEER SECRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 66, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE USE OF DEER URINE AND OTHER SECRETIONS FOR THE TAKING OF GAME, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 9.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 67, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA FOOD COMMERCIALIZATION CENTER, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 69, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION TO UTILIZE A VENDOR TO ADMINISTER ROAD TESTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 70, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE CAROLINA MUSEUM OF THE MARINE AND CIVIC INSTITUTE IN ONSLOW COUNTY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Bob Steinburg, Senator from Chowan County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we come to you this afternoon with humble hearts, as you are the only one who can give us the wisdom to do your will. We ask you to give us some of that wisdom as we deliberate with the interest of doing that which will improve the lives of those whom we represent in this chamber. We ask for your wisdom in all we say and do so that it may be pleasing in your sight. Lord, we thank you for giving us grace when we fall short. We ask for the wisdom to give grace to each other in this chamber. We thank you for loving us enough to give us your grace unconditionally. We ask for wisdom that we may be just as generous in giving grace to others. Finally, we ask for the wisdom to give you all the glory and honor in all that we do. For it is only by your grace and wisdom that we can accomplish all that we set out to do. We pray all this in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, February 8, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Blue, Senator Britt, Senator Lowe, Senator Marcus, Senator Murdock, and Senator Robinson.

CALENDAR

A bill on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 37, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, as amended, upon third reading.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading (29-15) and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the bill is sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 4:15 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, February 10, at 9:30 a.m.

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TENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, February 10, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day, another day that you've given us. You said you'd give us knowledge and wisdom if we ask. We ask for that today. Guide and direct us here. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 9, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Lazzara, the Senate adjourns at 9:45 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, February 11, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Davis, Johnson, and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 73, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ELIMINATING THE SUNSET PROVISION FOR STREAMLINED PROPERTY CLAIMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Foushee and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 74, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TO INVEST EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS HELD IN TRUST IN ONE OR MORE OF THE TYPES OF SECURITIES OR OTHER INVESTMENTS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW FOR THE STATE TREASURER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Waddell:

S.B. 75, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 40TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senator Daniel:

S.B. 76, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 46TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A select committee report and a standing committee report are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Select Committee on Nominations:

- **S.J.R. 54**, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENTS OF SAMUEL T. BRATTON AND BRIAN K. NORTH TO THE NORTH CAROLINA MINING COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- **S.R. 55**, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF D. REID WILSON AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, with a favorable report.

By Senator Britt for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 38, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A NONATTORNEY SOLE OWNER OF AN S CORPORATION TO LEGALLY REPRESENT AND APPEAR IN COURT ON BEHALF OF THE S CORPORATION IN CERTAIN CIVIL ACTIONS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 36, AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, February 10, 2021 - S.L. 2021-1)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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ELEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, February 11, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Marcus:

S.B. 77, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 41ST SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Blue (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Chaudhuri, Crawford, Fitch, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mayfield, Nickel, Robinson, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 78, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Salvador:

S.B. 79, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 39TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Ford (Primary Sponsor); Alexander, Barnes, Batch, Corbin and Steinburg:

S.B. 80, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER OF EACH YEAR AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, deViere (Primary Sponsors); Foushee, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 81, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA TEACHING FELLOWS COMMISSION TO SELECT AT LEAST ONE MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE

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NORTH CAROLINA TEACHING FELLOWS PROGRAM, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM EVALUATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis (Primary Sponsor); Murdock and Waddell:

S.B. 82, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS TO ENSURE STATE FUNDS FOR POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS ARE FULLY EXPENDED AND TO GAUGE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THOSE PROGRAMS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM EVALUATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Mohammed:

S.B. 83, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 38TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Mike Woodard, Senator from Durham County, as follows:

"O powerful God, sovereign of this beloved land. You are our fortress, and you desire justice to be done. Remind us of our accountability to you. Use us to cause justice to roll down like waters and righteousness like a mighty stream. Lord, give us the gift of discernment so that we will know truth from falsehood. Inspire us to commit our thoughts and decisions to you. Let your kingdom come and your will be done on earth as it is done in heaven. We pray in your mighty name. Amen."

Prayer offered by Rear Admiral Barry C. Black (Retired) U.S. Senate Chaplain February 10, 2021 (paraphrased)

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, February 10, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Blue, Senator Marcus, Senator Robinson, and Senator Sawyer.

CALENDAR

Resolutions on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.J.R. 54, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENTS OF SAMUEL T. BRATTON AND BRIAN K. NORTH TO THE NORTH CAROLINA MINING COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The Joint Resolution passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.R. 55, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF D. REID WILSON AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, for adoption.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (46-0) and changes the title to read, **S.R. 55**, A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING D. REID WILSON AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the resolution, as amended, is adopted (46-0), and the amendment is ordered engrossed.

The Senate recesses at 12:20 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Edwards for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 4 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DELAY ON THE PAYMENT DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWALS AND TO DIRECT THE ABC COMMISSION TO REINSTATE OR REACTIVATE CERTAIN CANCELLED OR INACTIVATED ABC PERMITS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40073, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

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S.B. 37 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Clark, Senator Newton, Senator Salvador, and Senator Waddell.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 37 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, received from the House of Representatives today, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the House Committee Substitute bill is placed on today's calendar for immediate consideration.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 37 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Ballard, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill (0-41) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Harrington, the Senate adjourns at 1:52 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1 and the receipt of conference reports, to reconvene Monday, February 15, at 4:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

S.B. 37 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill for S.B. 37 on February 11, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Ballard, Chair; Senator Hise, Senator Lee, Senator Harrington, Senator deViere and Senator Clark as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

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Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in S.B. 37 House Committee Substitute (4th Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Bradford, Chair Representative Elmore Representative Blackwell Representative D. Hall Representative Bell Representative Saine Representative Torbett and Representative Willingham

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, February 15, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day, and we thank you for the beauty of your creation. Thank you for all that you do for us. Thank you for blessing us. Keep us safe here this week. We pray that you will bless us today. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Woodard announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, February 11, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Fitch, the Senate adjourns at 4:05 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1 and the receipt of conference reports, to reconvene Tuesday, February 16, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Harrington:

S.B. 84, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 43RD SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Corbin, Burgin, and Woodard (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 85, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE CORPORATIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Corbin and Lee:

S.B. 86, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENSURE INCREASED AWARENESS OF SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH SERVICES THAT ARE REIMBURSABLE UNDER NORTH CAROLINA'S MEDICAID STATE PLAN AND TO REQUIRE THE PROGRAM EVALUATION DIVISION TO EVALUATE THE SUCCESS OF THE INTEGRATED CARE FOR KIDS MEDICAID PILOT PROGRAM, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD WELL-BEING TRANSFORMATION COUNCIL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Galey, Lee and Sanderson:

S.B. 87, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEEM CHARTER SCHOOLS AS LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AS NECESSARY TO ALLOW CHARTER SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT IN THE SAME MANNER AS LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Krawiec, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Corbin, Edwards, Galey, Jarvis and Sanderson:

S.B. 88, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPLEMENT VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING THE CHILD WELFARE CASE MANAGEMENT COMPONENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA FAMILIES ACCESSING SERVICES THROUGH TECHNOLOGY (NC FAST) SYSTEM, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM EVALUATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Corbin, Edwards, Lee and Sanderson:

S.B. 89, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATED TO SOCIAL SERVICES REFORM AND MAKE APPROPRIATIONS TO TRANSITION TO REGIONAL SUPERVISION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD WELL-BEING TRANSFORMATION COUNCIL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Corbin, Edwards and Lazzara:

S.B. 90, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO CONDUCT VARIOUS STUDIES AND MAKE REFORMS TO IMPROVE SOCIAL SERVICES, THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES; TO IMPROVE INTERCOUNTY COLLABORATION BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES; AND TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD WELLBEING TRANSFORMATION COUNCIL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lee:

S.B. 91, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 9TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Burgin, Corbin (Primary Sponsors) and Perry:

S.B. 92, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PLACING A CAP ON INSURANCE REFERRAL FEES PAID TO NONLICENSED PERSONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

February 12, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mark Robinson Lieutenant Governor 310 N. Blount Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

Pursuant to the Governor's statutory authority to nominate members of the state boards and commissions listed below, I request that the General Assembly confirm the following nominated individuals to serve on the following boards and commissions:

North Carolina State Board of Agriculture:

- Mr. Franklin Ray Allen of Montgomery County, Forestry Representative
- Mr. John E. Ashe of Rockingham County, Tobacco Farmer
- Mr. Douglas L. Boyd of Beaufort County, Cotton Grower
- Mrs. Marlowe I. Vaughan of Wayne County, Pork Farmer
- Mr. Wilbur D. Ward of Bladen County, Peanut Farmer

North Carolina State Board of Education:

 Mrs. Jill E. Camnitz of Pitt County, First Education District Representative

North Carolina Industrial Commission:

 Ms. Wanda Taylor of Wake County, Commissioner Representing Employees

North Carolina Oil and Gas Commission:

 Mr. William Hugh Bailey of Wake County, licensed attorney with experience in legal matters associated with oil and gas exploration

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- Ms. Diana Hales of Chatham County, member of a county board of commissioners of a county located in a region of NC that has oil and gas potential
- Mr. M. Shaun Randall of Gaston County, representative of a publicly traded natural gas company
- Ms. Rebecca Wyhof Salmon of Lee County, elected official of a municipal government located in a region of North Carolina that has oil and gas potential
- Dr. William Vizuete of Orange County, representative with experience in matters related to public health

North Carolina Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees:

 First Sergeant Harold Lee Councilman, Jr. of Granville County, State Law Enforcement Officer

I am grateful for their willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

> Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Phil Berger The Honorable Tim Moore The Honorable Dan Blue The Honorable Robert T. Reives II

Ms. Sarah Holland Mr. James White

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 87, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEEM CHARTER SCHOOLS AS LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AS NECESSARY TO ALLOW CHARTER SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT IN THE SAME MANNER AS LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 15.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Health Care Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 4** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DELAY ON THE PAYMENT DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWALS AND TO DIRECT THE ABC COMMISSION TO REINSTATE OR REACTIVATE CERTAIN CANCELLED OR INACTIVATED ABC PERMITS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 38**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A NONATTORNEY SOLE OWNER OF AN S CORPORATION TO LEGALLY REPRESENT AND APPEAR IN COURT ON BEHALF OF THE S CORPORATION IN CERTAIN CIVIL ACTIONS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

THIRTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, February 16, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1 and the receipt of conference reports, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Britt, Burgin, Krawiec (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Batch, Corbin, Crawford, Edwards, Galey, Jarvis, Johnson, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Perry, Robinson, Salvador, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 93, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARENTS UNDERGOING COURT-ORDERED SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR OTHER MENTAL HEALTH DISORDER TREATMENT OR COUNSELLING TO RETAIN MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY WHILE THEIR CHILD IS TEMPORARILY SERVED BY THE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Nickel (Primary Sponsor); Marcus and Waddell:

S.B. 94, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REGULATING TRAMPOLINE PARKS IN THIS STATE IN THE SAME MANNER AS ZIP LINES AND CHALLENGE COURSES BY REQUIRING THE OPERATOR TO OBTAIN LIABILITY INSURANCE AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TO STUDY TRAMPOLINE PARK FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Krawiec, Steinburg and Waddell:

S.B. 95, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING SURVIVING MILITARY SPOUSES TO RENEW SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Daniel, Alexander (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Edwards, Harrington, Hise, Krawiec, Lee, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 96, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO PURCHASE PRIOR WEAPON USED. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 97, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PITT COUNTY TO USE ATTACHMENT AND GARNISHMENT AND LIEN FOR COUNTY-CONTRACTED AMBULANCE SERVICES SUPPLEMENTED BY COUNTY FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

BILL HELD AS FILED

S.B. 98 is ordered held as filed in the Senate Principal Clerk's Office.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS (continued)

By Senators McInnis, Burgin, Craven (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Crawford, Krawiec, Sawyer and Woodard:

S.B. 99, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT, UNLESS THE CONDUCT IS COVERED UNDER ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW PROVIDING GREATER PUNISHMENT, LARCENY OF A CATALYTIC CONVERTER IS A CLASS I FELONY, TO REQUIRE SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS TO MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC RECORD OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FROM TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE SALE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, AND TO INCLUDE A FINE AS PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS INVOLVING THE PURCHASE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Sanderson, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Burgin, Corbin, Daniel, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Newton and Steinburg:

S.B. 100, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CITIES AND COUNTIES THAT REDUCE FUNDS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES BY AN AMOUNT THAT EXCEEDS ONE PERCENT OF THE FUNDS APPROPRIATED IN ANY FISCAL YEAR FOR ALL OTHER CITY OR COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR DEPARTMENTS, OR BOTH, SHALL RECEIVE A CORRESPONDING REDUCTION IN STATE-SHARED REVENUE AND DIRECTING THE NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION AND THE NORTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION TO SUBMIT RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY ON LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT INVENTORY STANDARDS, EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE STANDARDS, AND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT STANDARDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Sanderson, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Burgin, Corbin, Daniel, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Newton and Steinburg:

S.B. 101, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE CHARGED WITH CERTAIN CRIMES AND WHO ARE SUBJECT TO A DETAINER REQUEST BE HELD FOR FORTY-EIGHT HOURS AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTS FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 52, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OR LINES OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45079, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Ballard, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 37** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S37-PCCS15033-TC-1.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Lord, we've been talking about children a lot over the last few weeks, and I just ask that you put on our hearts and minds to do what's best for children and to look for ways to help children in this difficult time, not only with their mental health, Lord, their education, their physical health. If we concentrate on these children and worry about them like you worry about us, then we will do the right thing. Be with this body, protect us, bless us. We ask this in your Son, Jesus', name. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, February 15, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Blue, Senator Lowe, and Senator Marcus.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Conference Report for **S.B. 37** is placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 38, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A NONATTORNEY SOLE OWNER OF AN S CORPORATION TO LEGALLY REPRESENT AND APPEAR IN COURT ON BEHALF OF THE S CORPORATION IN CERTAIN CIVIL ACTIONS, upon second reading.

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Upon the appearance of Senator Lowe in the chamber, the Chair acknowledges his presence and the leave of absence granted previously is withdrawn

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 4 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DELAY ON THE PAYMENT DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWALS AND TO DIRECT THE ABC COMMISSION TO REINSTATE OR REACTIVATE CERTAIN CANCELLED OR INACTIVATED ABC PERMITS, upon second reading.

Senator Perry offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (47-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 37 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Ballard, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (31-16).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Waddell submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "RECOGNIZING THE OBSERVANCE OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH." Upon motion of Senator Waddell, without objection, the Senatorial Statement is spread upon the Journal. (See Appendix.)

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Upon motion of Senator deViere, his words are spread upon the Journal as follows:

"Today I rise to honor former Fayetteville City Councilman Robert Aaron Massey, Jr. He passed away on February 5, 2021. He served for 12 terms, leaving office at the end of 2013. He left a footprint across our city with a revitalized downtown. He championed improved drinking water in our western Fayetteville. He was an advocate for affordable housing. He fought for the city partnership for Fayetteville State University—a university that he loved. Transit expansion and recycling were also two of his other four issues that he fought for. He was a friend and someone that you wanted in your corner, but he was also a talker, and I'll tell

you that he was a very verbose speaker, and if he were here in our Senate today, he'd probably get that Oxmeter that's somewhere around here. I'm definitely going to miss him. I'm going to miss his speeches. I'm going to miss his commitment to our community. Mr. President, I ask that we adjourn today in his honor—Robert Aaron Massey, Jr.—and that all comments today are written in today's Journal."

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:28 p.m., in honor and in memory of Robert Aaron Massey, Jr., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, February 17, at 9:30 a.m.

FOURTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, February 17, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Lord, we thank you again for this day and the opportunity to be together and, Lord, to carry on the peoples' business. We continue to pray for our friends in Brunswick County that are dealing with the aftermath of the tornado, just be with those folks, Lord. We pray for your special mercy and grace on them. We also pray for the storm that's coming to some parts of our state. We ask for your protection for folks as they are traveling and protection from power outages and other issues they are going to have. Thank you for the blessings you give us. Protect this body. We ask this in your Son, Jesus', name. Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 16, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Burgin, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 9:36 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, February 18, at 12:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Daniel (Primary Sponsor) and Burgin:

S.B. 102, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE PERMANENT REGISTRATION PLATES TO RADIO EMERGENCY ASSOCIATED COMMUNICATIONS TEAMS (REACT) AND TO AUTHORIZE REACT VEHICLES TO USE LIGHTS AND SIRENS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Lee, Barnes (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Galey, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, McInnis and Sawyer:

S.B. 103, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Perry, Craven (Primary Sponsors); Burgin, Ford, Galey, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, McInnis, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 104, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:

S.B. 66, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE USE OF DEER URINE AND OTHER SECRETIONS FOR THE TAKING OF GAME, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35056, which changes the title to read **S.B. 66** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO CERVID EXCRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION AND TO DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO REVISE THE RULE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the **Transportation Committee**:

S.B. 69, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION TO UTILIZE A VENDOR TO ADMINISTER ROAD TESTS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15038, which changes the title to read **S.B. 69** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION TO UTILIZE COMMERCIAL DRIVER TRAINING SCHOOLS TO ADMINISTER ROAD TESTS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 43, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY SECURITY AND PROTECTION ACT OF 2021, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 3.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 60, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE CERTAIN RULES RELATED TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 8.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 93, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARENTS UNDERGOING COURT-ORDERED SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR OTHER MENTAL HEALTH DISORDER TREATMENT OR COUNSELLING TO RETAIN MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY WHILE THEIR CHILD IS TEMPORARILY SERVED BY THE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 16.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 94, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REGULATING TRAMPOLINE PARKS IN THIS STATE IN THE SAME MANNER AS ZIP LINES AND CHALLENGE COURSES BY REQUIRING THE OPERATOR TO OBTAIN LIABILITY INSURANCE AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TO STUDY TRAMPOLINE PARK FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 16.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 101, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE CHARGED WITH CERTAIN CRIMES AND WHO ARE SUBJECT TO A DETAINER REQUEST BE HELD FOR FORTY-EIGHT HOURS AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTS FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 16.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives February 17, 2021

[Session]

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **S.B. 37** (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to the Senate having adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 37 on Tuesday, February 16, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor by special message.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 38, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.J.R. 58, A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF DOUGLAS YATES YONGUE, FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Ford for the State and Local Government Committee:

S.B. 31, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE SHALL NOTIFY PERSONS OR BUSINESSES WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTIONAL LIMITS BY REGULAR OR ELECTRONIC MAIL OF WORK REQUIRING AN ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE OF \$50,000 OR MORE BEING LET FOR BID BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15039, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

ENROLLED BILLS AND RESOLUTION

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 37**, AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE.
- **H.B. 4,** AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DELAY ON THE PAYMENT DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWALS AND TO DIRECT THE ABC COMMISSION TO REINSTATE OR REACTIVATE CERTAIN CANCELLED OR INACTIVATED ABC PERMITS.

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The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.J.R. 54, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENTS OF SAMUEL T. BRATTON AND BRIAN K. NORTH TO THE NORTH CAROLINA MINING COMMISSION. (Res. 2021-2)

Pursuant to Senator Burgin's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, February 18, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us and for your grace and love. We pray that you'll give us all safe traveling mercies home today. We pray that you will keep us safe and healthy. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, February 17, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 12:01 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, February 22, at 4:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND A RESOLUTION

Bills and a resolution filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators B. Jackson, Harrington, Hise (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Daniel, Edwards, Krawiec and McInnis:

S.B. 105, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Hise, Harrington, B. Jackson (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Daniel, Edwards, Krawiec and McInnis:

S.B. 106, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Daniel, Edwards, Krawiec and McInnis:

S.B. 107, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise (Primary Sponsor); Britt, Burgin, Daniel, Murdock and Woodard:

S.B. 108, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM FOR TUITION GRANTS TO BE PROVIDED TO STATE RESIDENTS WHO GRADUATE FROM THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS TO ENROLL FULL-TIME AT CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA ON A RECURRING BASIS AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lowe:

S.B. 109, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE PUBLIC RECORD STATUTES WITH REGARD TO THE CITY OF WINSTONSALEM RELATED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY RECORDINGS AND CLOSED SESSIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford, Hise, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Batch, Britt, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Foushee, Harrington, Krawiec, Lowe, Marcus, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador and Woodard:

S.B. 110, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER AS MARROW DONATION AWARENESS MONTH; AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO RAISE AWARENESS THROUGH PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT BONE MARROW DONATION AND BONE MARROW DONATION REGISTRIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Rabon (Primary Sponsor); Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Krawiec, McInnis and Perry:

S.R. 111, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATING AND ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Corbin, Davis (Primary Sponsors); Ford and McInnis:

S.B. 112, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 TAXABLE YEAR ONLY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Sanderson, Daniel (Primary Sponsors) and Edwards: **S.B. 113**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL IN TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CASES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 105, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 18.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee**.

S.B. 106, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 18.

The bill is re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee.

S.B. 107, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations** of the **Senate Committee** on February 18.

The bill is re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee.

S.B. 108, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM FOR TUITION GRANTS TO BE PROVIDED TO STATE RESIDENTS WHO GRADUATE FROM THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS TO ENROLL FULL-TIME AT

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CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA ON A RECURRING BASIS AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 18.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.R. 111, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATING AND ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 18.

The resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SIXTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, February 22, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Senator B. Jackson announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, February 18, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 4:03 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, February 23, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Edwards:

S.B. 114, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES ALLOWED FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Sawyer, McInnis (Primary Sponsors); Craven, Galey, Hise, Krawiec, Lazzara and Steinburg:

S.B. 115, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Sawyer, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, Jarvis, Krawiec, Lazzara, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor and Steinburg:

S.B. 116, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Ballard, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Burgin, McInnis and Steinburg:

S.B. 117, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH DUE PROCESS SAFEGUARDS FOR STUDENTS FACING UNIVERSITY DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Corbin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Burgin, Craven, Daniel, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 118, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH JUDICIALLY MANAGED ACCOUNTABILITY AND RECOVERY COURTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA TO PROVIDE CASE MANAGEMENT AND CONTINUITY OF CARE FOR THOSE ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lowe:

S.B. 119, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 32ND SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

S.B. 31 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE SHALL NOTIFY PERSONS OR BUSINESSES WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTIONAL LIMITS BY REGULAR OR ELECTRONIC MAIL OF WORK REQUIRING AN ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE OF \$50,000 OR MORE BEING LET FOR BID BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, with a favorable report.

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- **S.B. 52** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OR LINES OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 66** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO CERVID EXCRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION AND TO DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO REVISE THE RULE, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 103, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 17.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 113, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL IN TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CASES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 18.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 115, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 22.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 116, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 22.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator B. Jackson's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SEVENTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, February 23, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator McInnis:

S.B. 120, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF VASS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Crawford, Corbin (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Batch, deViere, Krawiec, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Salvador, Steinburg and Waddell:

S.B. 121, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR LEGISLATIVELY MANDATED SALARY INCREASES FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE PERSONNEL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Hise:

S.B. 122, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Lazzara, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Krawiec and Lee: **S.B. 123**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE VETERANS' PREFERENCE UNDER THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT AND G.S. 128-15 TO COVER ACTIVE-DUTY SERVICE IN THE ARMED FORCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, McInnis, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Galey, Hise and Krawiec:

S.B. 124, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR GRADUATION CEREMONIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A select committee report and a standing committee report are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Select Committee on Nominations:

S.R. 111, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATING AND ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 43, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY SECURITY AND PROTECTION ACT OF 2021, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15059, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 50, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES REGARDING ESTATES AND TRUSTS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ESTATE PLANNING & FIDUCIARY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35066, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Julie Mayfield, Senator from Buncombe County, as follows:

"Holy one of many names and all colors, spirit of justice whose love has no boundaries, instill in us a love big enough to overcome judgment, a love tenacious enough to dissipate fear, a love courageous enough to reach out to those who injure us most, a love tender enough to hold our own fragile selves. Holy creativity, in your constant birthing of new possibilities, open our eyes to new visions that grasp our common humanity and reveal fresh ways of uniting, mending, and bridging. Bless us in our celebration of diversity. We have only to notice a creation teeming with diversity to know of your delight in difference. The light green of a lunar moth, the brilliant orange of a maple tree, the intricate design of the swallowtail butterfly are a healing balm for our eyes. In summer evenings cicadas, crickets, and tree frogs create a summer's chorus to sing us to sleep. The finch, chickadee, titmouse, and cardinal offer spring mornings' wake up songs with their varying notes and sounds. All a part of the family of things, all a part of one holy pulsing web, each a thread in the hands of a loving spirit, weaving us together in a colorful tapestry—tree and toad, wolf and woman, moth and man, boulder and bear—one holy pulsing web of life. We are all kin. We are all kin."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, February 22, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Jarvis.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 52 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OR LINES OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Wednesday, February 24.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 31 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE SHALL NOTIFY PERSONS OR BUSINESSES WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTIONAL LIMITS BY REGULAR OR ELECTRONIC MAIL OF WORK REQUIRING AN ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE OF \$50,000 OR MORE BEING LET FOR BID BY THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION, upon second reading.

Senator Johnson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 66 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO CERVID EXCRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION AND TO DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO REVISE THE RULE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:23 p.m., in memory of Sam Taylor, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, February 24, at 9:30 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 115, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** on February 22, with a sequential referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The bill is withdrawn from the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 118, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH JUDICIALLY MANAGED ACCOUNTABILITY AND RECOVERY COURTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA TO PROVIDE CASE MANAGEMENT AND CONTINUITY OF CARE FOR THOSE ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 22.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 120, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF VASS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 23.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 122, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 23.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

MODIFICATION OF A 2021-2022 SENATE COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Rule 31, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, makes the following standing committee membership change:

Senator Foushee is appointed to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSOR

Senator Britt requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

- **S.B. 87**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEEM CHARTER SCHOOLS AS LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AS NECESSARY TO ALLOW CHARTER SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT IN THE SAME MANNER AS LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES.
- **S.B. 104**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT.

Pursuant to	Senator	Berger's	motion to	o adjourn	having	prevailed,	the	Senate
stands adjourne	d.							

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EIGHTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, February 24, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Britt:

S.B. 125, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Krawiec and Waddell:

S.B. 126, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Ford, Krawiec and Sanderson: **S.B. 127**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REPEALING PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PAYROLL DEDUCTION FOR PAYMENTS TO EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Hise:

S.B. 128, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Chaudhuri:

S.B. 129, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 15TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Krawiec, Edwards, Lowe (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Corbin, Craven, Marcus, Mohammed, Newton, Salvador, Steinburg and Waddell:

S.B. 130, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING RESERVE FOR CERTAIN BUILDING PROJECTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Mayfield, and Waddell (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 131, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE LICENSURE OF MOBILE BEAUTY SALONS AND ENSURE THEIR SAFE AND HYGIENIC OPERATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson (Primary Sponsor); Alexander, Batch, Craven and Ford: **S.B. 132**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF APRIL OF EACH YEAR AS WOUNDED HEROES DAY IN HONOR OF ARMY SGT. MICHAEL VERARDO.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, McInnis (Primary Sponsors); Lowe and Perry:

S.B. 133, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT PEMBROKE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Britt, McInnis (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Ford, Jarvis, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 134, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM THE CONCEALED CARRY PROHIBITION CERTAIN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL WHILE ON DUTY PROVIDING TACTICAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Burgin, Krawiec (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Britt, Lee, Lowe and Sawyer:

S.B. 135, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Galey (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Britt, Lazzara, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 136, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WAIVE THE ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus (Primary Sponsor); Lowe, Robinson and Waddell:

S.B. 137, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO STUDY AND ABATE OCULAR MELANOMA IN NORTHERN MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Newton, Galey (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, deViere, Garrett, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Perry, Sanderson and Sawyer:

S.B. 138, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS HELD SOLELY BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION AND TO MAKE RELATED MODIFICATIONS TO THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Fitch:

S.B. 139, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 4TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 125, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 126, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 24.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 128, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 130, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING RESERVE FOR CERTAIN BUILDING PROJECTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 114, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES ALLOWED FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 22.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 133, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT PEMBROKE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 137, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO STUDY AND ABATE OCULAR MELANOMA IN NORTHERN MECKLENBURG COUNTY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 138, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS HELD SOLELY BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION AND TO MAKE RELATED MODIFICATIONS TO THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Burgin for the **Health Care Committee**:

S.B. 87, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEEM CHARTER SCHOOLS AS LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AS NECESSARY TO ALLOW CHARTER SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT IN THE SAME MANNER AS LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15064, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 103, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15065, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

By Senator Lee for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 116, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45095, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

S.B. 43 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY SECURITY AND PROTECTION ACT OF 2021, with a favorable report.

S.B. 50 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES REGARDING ESTATES AND TRUSTS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ESTATE PLANNING & FIDUCIARY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, with a favorable report.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 78 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE ANNUAL REPORTING ON PARTICIPATION ON COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSES AND COURSE OF STUDY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 79 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO MAINTAIN A DIGITAL LEARNING DASHBOARD UPDATED ANNUALLY BY PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS AND TO REQUIRE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE BASED ON INFORMATION ON STUDENT DIGITAL LEARNING ACCESS DURING COVID-19.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for your love for us and for seeing beyond our faults and weaknesses. Help us to be slow to speak and quick to listen. Help us to show others the same grace, compassion and mercy that you show for us. Help us, Father, to create laws pleasing to you that they may create fairness and equity for all North Carolinians. Lord, we commit this day to you and all that's in it. In Jesus' name we pray. And all of the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Berger, President Pro Tempore, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 23, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Clark, Senator Garrett, and Senator Jarvis.

CALENDAR

A bill and a resolution on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 52 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OR LINES OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.R. 111, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATING AND ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, for adoption. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the resolution is adopted (46-0).

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, **S.B. 43** and **S.B. 50**, which would ordinarily appear on the calendar of Thursday, February 25, will be placed on the calendar of Monday, March 1.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Upon motion of Senator Harrington, the words spoken by Senator Alexander are spread upon the Journal as follows:

"Members and Mr. President, on Friday, December 11, 2020, Mount Holly police officer Tyler Avery Herndon, a resident of Kings Mountain who worked in Gaston County-Senator Harrington's district-responded to a breaking and entering call at a car wash and arcade just before 3:30 a.m. He responded along with a Gaston County police officer. Herndon had been with the Mount Holly Police Department for two years and was looking forward to his twenty-sixth birthday that coming Sunday, December 13. While Officer Herndon, a 2017 graduate of U.N.C. Charlotte who majored in Criminal Justice, had lived to see his lifelong dream of becoming a law enforcement officer fulfilled, sadly he was not able to see his twenty-sixth birthday. He was shot and killed when the person in the act of breaking and entering opened fire on the two responding officers. I attended Herndon's funeral at First Baptist Church in Kings Mountain, and I witnessed the hundreds and hundreds of law enforcement officials from across North Carolina and the country as they stood along Interstate I-85 overpasses and saluted the funeral motorcade as it passed by and the hundreds and hundreds of people who attended the funeral itself. And even during the short period of time that Tyler served Mount Holly, he was already recognized by his peers and others

as being an outstanding officer. In 2019, Herndon was recognized by Charlotte Fox TV 46 for his efforts to build better relationships between officers and civilians, and he was known on several occasions to buy gas and food for people he encountered who were in need. Tyler loved Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church. He is survived by his parents, Mark and Debbie Phillips Herndon of Kings Mountain; a sister, Lindsey Herndon of Charlotte; paternal grandparents, Ray and Jean Herndon of Kings Mountain; maternal grandmother, Vicki Phillips of Charlotte; his girlfriend, Holly Weldon of Belmont; as well as a still mourning community of Mount Holly and Kings Mountain and his family of fellow law enforcement officers across the state and country. Mr. President, whenever any one of our law enforcement officers is slain in the line of duty, we are all diminished as a society, and we all mourn his loss by celebrating his life and work. In that vein, Mr. President, I would like to respectfully request that this body adjourn in memory and in honor of Mount Holly police officer and Kings Mountain resident, Tyler Avery Herndon."

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Perry, the Senate adjourns at 4:20 p.m., in memory of Tyler Herndon, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, February 25, at 10:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Steinburg for the State and Local Government Committee:

S.B. 41, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF STANLEY, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35072, which changes the title to read **S.B. 41** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF SHELBY AND THE TOWN OF STANLEY, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

S.B. 115, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35073, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 82 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS AND TO REQUIRE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF INNOVATIVE BENCHMARK ASSESSMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, February 25, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day. We truly appreciate your grace and mercy and love. We thank you for keeping us healthy and safe here. We pray that you will continue to do that with all of us—members and staff, Sergeant-at-Arms, everyone. Keep us safe, Father. Bless us today. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Alexander announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, February 24, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Alexander, the Senate adjourns at 10:34 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, March 1, at 4:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Hise (Primary Sponsor); Lowe and Waddell:

S.B. 140, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO CONSIDER RECIPIENTS OF FULL ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS AS RESIDENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Steinburg:

S.B. 141, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 1ST SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Murdock:

S.B. 142, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 20TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lowe, Krawiec (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Chaudhuri, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Perry, Robinson, Salvador, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 143, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RECOGNIZING JUNETEENTH AS A DAY OF OBSERVANCE IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lowe and Krawiec (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 144, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A NEW WAKE FOREST BAPTIST HEALTH REGIONAL AUTOPSY CENTER IN WINSTON-SALEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lowe and Krawiec (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 145, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO CONVEY CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry (Primary Sponsor) and Lowe:

S.B. 146, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY AND TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Crawford:

S.B. 147, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 18TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Corbin:

S.B. 148, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE VALIDITY OF IMPROVEMENT PERMITS OR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR WASTEWATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TO JANUARY 1, 2024, IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Clark:

S.B. 149, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 21ST SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Daniel:

S.B. 150, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Garrett:

S.B. 151, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 27TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Daniel, Sanderson (Primary Sponsors); McInnis and Steinburg:

S.B. 152, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT STUDENTS WHO ATTEND A PUBLIC SCHOOL, PRIVATE SCHOOL, OR HOME SCHOOL WITHOUT AN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS PROGRAM IN A GIVEN SPORT OR PARTICULAR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THAT ACTIVITY AT A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Foushee:

S.B. 153, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 23RD SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Murdock, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors); Batch, deViere, Foushee, Garrett, Lowe, Marcus, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 154, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO FULLY FUND SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS AND SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS OVER TEN YEARS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Craven, Proctor, Lazzara (Primary Sponsors); McInnis and Steinburg:

S.B. 155, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE HIGHWAY CLEANUP ACT OF 2021.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Sanderson:

S.B. 156, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE LIMITS ON PUBLIC EMPLOYEES BENEFITTING FROM PUBLIC CONTRACTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford (Primary Sponsor) and Blue:

S.B. 157, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF ZEBULON TO PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SHALL APPOINT THE TOWN CLERK.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 87** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEEM CHARTER SCHOOLS AS LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AS NECESSARY TO ALLOW CHARTER SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT IN THE SAME MANNER AS LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 115** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 116** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 56, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A CAPITAL PROJECT USING NON-GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT TRYON PALACE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 8.

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The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 135, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 140, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO CONSIDER RECIPIENTS OF FULL ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS AS RESIDENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 144, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A NEW WAKE FOREST BAPTIST HEALTH REGIONAL AUTOPSY CENTER IN WINSTON-SALEM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 148, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE VALIDITY OF IMPROVEMENT PERMITS OR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR WASTEWATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TO JANUARY 1, 2024, IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 25.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 150, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 155, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE HIGHWAY CLEANUP ACT OF 2021, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 4, AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DELAY ON THE PAYMENT DEADLINE FOR CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWALS AND TO DIRECT THE ABC COMMISSION TO REINSTATE OR REACTIVATE CERTAIN CANCELLED OR INACTIVATED ABC PERMITS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, February 25, 2021 - S.L. 2021-2)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWENTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, March 1, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:01 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Krawiec:

S.B. 158, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 31ST SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 159, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors) and McInnis:

S.B. 160, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES BY ENHANCING THE PLAN'S ABILITY TO COLLECT OVERPAYMENTS AND UNPAID PREMIUMS AND PROHIBITING THE PLAN FROM ALLOWING THIRD PARTIES TO WRITE OFF DEBT OWED TO THE STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Steinburg, Corbin (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Chaudhuri, Clark, Crawford, Foushee, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 161, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO EXPAND THE STATEWIDE TELEPSYCHIATRY PROGRAM (NC-STEP).

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator McInnis:

S.B. 162, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CERTAIN LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Foushee:

S.B. 163, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CERTAIN LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Foushee:

S.B. 164, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CHATHAM COUNTY SCHOOLS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock, Salvador, Foushee (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Bazemore, Chaudhuri, Clark, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Nickel, Robinson, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 165, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA CROWN ACT TO CREATE A RESPECTFUL AND OPEN WORLD FOR NATURAL HAIR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Krawiec:

S.B. 166, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY SCHOOLS AND DAVIE COUNTY SCHOOLS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

A vetoed bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, was returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate, as follows:

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 37, "An Act to Provide Access to In-Person Learning for Students in Grades Kindergarten Through Twelve."

Students learn best in the classroom and I have strongly urged all schools to open safely to in-person instruction and the vast majority of local school systems have done just that.

However, Senate Bill 37 falls short in two critical areas. First, it allows students in middle and high school to go back into the classroom in violation of NC Department of Health and Human Services and CDC health guidelines. Second, it hinders local and state officials from protecting students and teachers during an emergency.

As I have informed the Legislature, I would sign the bill if these two problems are fixed.

As written, the bill threatens public health just as North Carolina strives to emerge from the pandemic.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 26th day of February 2021, at 4:47 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

February 26, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mark Robinson Lieutenant Governor 310 N. Blount Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 97-77 (a1), I am pleased to nominate Ms. Adrian A. Phillips of Alamance County to serve on the North Carolina Industrial Commission for a term beginning on May 1, 2021 and hereby submit her name for confirmation by the General Assembly.

I am grateful for Ms. Phillips' willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Attached is her biographical information for your review. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Phil Berger The Honorable Robert T. Reives II

The Honorable Tim Moore Ms. Sarah Holland The Honorable Dan Blue Mr. James White

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County, as follows:

"Thy sea, O God, so great, my boat so small. It cannot be that any happy fate will me befall, save as Thy goodness opens paths for me through the consuming vastness of the sea. Thy winds, O God, so strong, so slight my sail. How could I curb and bit them on the long and saltry trail, unless Thy love were mightier than the wrath of all the tempests that beset my path? Thy world, O God, so fierce, and I so frail. Yet, though its arrows threaten oft to pierce my fragile mail, cities of refuge rise where dangers cease. Sweet silences abound, and all is peace." Lord, as we navigate the often rolling and rough seas all around us, we, like Peter in Matthew 13, so often forget to look to you, and we see only the tumultuous sea all around us. Lord, when we take our eyes off Jesus and feel overwhelmed by our circumstances and begin to sink, if we but call out to you and say, 'Lord, save me,' you are faithful to reach out your hand and catch us. I praise you for your faithfulness. In the name of Jesus, who speaks to our own winds and waves and says, 'Peace, be still,' Amen."

*Poem by Winfred Ernest Garrison

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, February 25, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Clark.

MOTIONS RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 37 (Ratified), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, for reconsideration upon the Governor's veto.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the bill is placed on today's calendar for immediate consideration.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, **S.B. 43** is withdrawn from the regular order of business and placed at the end of today's calendar.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 37 (Ratified), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, for reconsideration upon the Governor's veto.

March 1, 2021

Senator Ballard offers a motion that S.B. 37 become law notwithstanding the objections of the Governor. The motion fails to pass by a three-fifths majority of members present and voting, ayes 29, noes 20, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Berger, Britt, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg---29.

Voting in the negative: Senators Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Crawford, Davis, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard---20. The House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 115 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, upon second reading.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Robinson.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Committee Substitute bill is sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 50 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES REGARDING ESTATES AND TRUSTS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ESTATE PLANNING & FIDUCIARY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 87 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEEM CHARTER SCHOOLS AS LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AS NECESSARY TO ALLOW CHARTER SCHOOLS TO RECEIVE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT IN THE SAME MANNER AS LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 116 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS, upon second reading.

Upon the appearance of Senator Robinson in the chamber, the Chair acknowledges her presence and the leave of absence granted previously is withdrawn.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (34-15) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Committee Substitute bill is sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 43 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY SECURITY AND PROTECTION ACT OF 2021, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (31-18) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Britt, the Senate adjourns at 7:58 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, March 2, at 9:30 a.m.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSOR

Senator Britt requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 155, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE HIGHWAY CLEANUP ACT OF 2021.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWENTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, March 2, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, I thank you for another day, and I can't help but thank you every time I talk to you about your beautiful creation and knowing that all life comes from you. Again, we want to thank you for keeping us safe and healthy. Bless us today. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, March 1, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 9:38 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, March 3, at 10:00 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Marcus, Murdock, Chaudhuri (Primary Sponsors); Foushee, J. Jackson, Mayfield, Mohammed, Nickel, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 167, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE BARRIERS TO GAIN ACCESS TO ABORTION ACT (RBG ACT).

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis (Primary Sponsor); Marcus, Murdock and Waddell:

S.B. 168, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A HISTORIC SCHOOL PRESERVATION GRANT PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Perry:

S.B. 169, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE KINSTON-LENOIR COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Corbin, Alexander, Proctor (Primary Sponsors); Johnson, McInnis and Sawyer:

S.B. 170, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson (Primary Sponsor) and McInnis:

S.B. 171, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF WINGATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators B. Jackson, Harrington, Hise (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Burgin and McInnis:

S.B. 172, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL COVID-19 PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 113, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL IN TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CASES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35079, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Hise for the Redistricting and Elections Committee:

S.B. 125, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWENTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, March 3, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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Without objection, the Senate recesses at 10:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Lee and Sawver:

S.B. 173, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Galey and Sawyer:

S.B. 174, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ACCESS AND UTILIZE ITS OWN CLAIMS PAYMENT DATA WHILE CONTINUING TO PROTECT THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE INFORMATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer, Galey, and Barnes (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 175, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR COSMETOLOGISTS AND ESTHETICIANS TO INCLUDE DERMAPLANING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield, Krawiec, Waddell (Primary Sponsors); Foushee and Nickel:

S.B. 176, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE THE OPERATION AND SANITATION OF MOBILE BARBERSHOPS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Berger:

S.B. 177, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 30TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

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S.B. 161, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO EXPAND THE STATEWIDE TELEPSYCHIATRY PROGRAM (NC-STEP), referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 1.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 168, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A HISTORIC SCHOOL PRESERVATION GRANT PROGRAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 2.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 169, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE KINSTON-LENOIR COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 2.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 170, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 2.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 171, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF WINGATE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 2.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 172, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL COVID-19 PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 2.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 93, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARENTS UNDERGOING COURT-ORDERED SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR OTHER MENTAL HEALTH DISORDER TREATMENT OR COUNSELLING TO RETAIN MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY WHILE THEIR CHILD IS TEMPORARILY SERVED BY THE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM, referred to the Health Care Committee on February 17, with sequential referrals to the Judiciary Committee and the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

A sequential referral to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** is added before the referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Ballard for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 128, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Sawyer for the **Transportation Committee**:

S.B. 135, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15081, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Krawiec for the Health Care Committee:

S.B. 93, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARENTS UNDERGOING COURT-ORDERED SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR OTHER MENTAL HEALTH DISORDER TREATMENT OR COUNSELLING TO RETAIN MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY WHILE THEIR CHILD IS TEMPORARILY SERVED BY THE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45105, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

By Senator Newton for the **Finance Committee**:

S.B. 114, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES ALLOWED FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 41 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF SHELBY AND THE TOWN OF STANLEY, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 15084, which changes the title to read **S.B. 41** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF STANLEY AND VASS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Alexander for the **State and Local Government Committee**:

S.B. 122, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

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Prayer is offered by The Honorable Lisa S. Barnes, Senator from Nash County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we come before you today and exalt your name. Lord, I worship you as El Elyon. You are the Most High God. You are Creator, Sustainer, Giver of life, and Creator of life, Lord. You are a God that is a God of second chances, Lord, and I thank you for that. I thank you that your Word says that your steadfast love and your mercy never ends. They are new every morning. Great is thy faithfulness. Lord, I thank you that we live in the greatest nation on earth, Lord, and the freedoms that others have sacrificed their lives for so that we can enjoy. Lord, I just lift up our military today, Lord. Especially our troops that are in Iraq, Lord, I pray an extra hedge of protection around them. Lord, I pray that your angels would encamp about them and protect them as they put their lives on the line for us every day. Lord, I lift up the leaders today to you, God, and I pray that you would fill our leaders with wisdom, Lord, from our president to our governor to the leaders here in this chamber to the leaders at the local level, Lord, that you would give us all divine wisdom, that you would give us discernment, and that you would give us the courage, Lord, to make decisions that would bring honor and glory to you. And today my prayer is that we would increase our level of steadfast love and faithfulness to you and to those in our charge, Lord, and that the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart would be acceptable in thy sight, Lord, my strength and my redeemer. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, March 2, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Mohammed, Senator Salvador, and Senator Steinburg.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Having voted with the majority, Senator Hise offers a motion to reconsider the vote on the motion to override the Governor's veto of **S.B. 37** (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE. The motion prevails without objection. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:21 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, March 4, at 9:30 a.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

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H.B. 196 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL COVID-19 PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS.

Referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee.

H.B. 67, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND SESSION LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 76, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODERNIZE AND EXPAND THE PROHIBITION OF DEBT SETTLEMENT BY MAKING DEBT SETTLEMENT AN UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICE, CLARIFYING THE DEFINITION OF DEBT SETTLEMENT, EXPANDING CIVIL REMEDIES AVAILABLE TO DEBTORS, AND LIMITING DEBT SETTLEMENT ACTS THAT ARE AUTHORIZED AND TO MAKE OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL CHANGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 118 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 128 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO CERTAIN INDOOR AND OUTDOOR FACILITIES FOR SPORTING EVENTS, GRADUATION AND COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES, AND OTHER OUTDOOR EVENTS IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 137 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSOR

Senator Nickel requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

- **S.B. 35**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWFUL AGE TO ENTER INTO MARRIAGE IN THIS STATE TO 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER.
- **S.B. 121**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR LEGISLATIVELY MANDATED SALARY INCREASES FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE PERSONNEL.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWENTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, March 4, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Hise for the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee:

S.B. 56, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A CAPITAL PROJECT USING NON-GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT TRYON PALACE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Mohammed, Foushee (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Crawford, deViere, Garrett, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador and Waddell:

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S.B. 178, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REENACT THE CHILD CARE TAX CREDIT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Mayfield:

S.B. 179, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE TO LEVY A MUNICIPAL QUARTER-CENT SALES AND USE TAX FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION UPON A VOTE OF THE MAJORITY OF VOTERS IN A REFERENDUM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Fitch, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors); Foushee, Lowe, Marcus, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 180, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE RESTRICTED DRIVERS LICENSES TO UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Hise for the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee:

H.B. 196 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL COVID-19 PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30122, is adopted and engrossed.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Our God, we thank thee and we love thee as the Creator of all good and beautiful gifts. We thank thee for this opportunity that you have given us to not only serve humanity but serve the very fine citizens of the Old North State. We ask that you would continue to be with us. Continue to give us strength and courage in thy name. These things we pray, and all of the people said, 'Amen."

March 4, 2021

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, March 3, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Salvador.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

H.B. 196 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL COVID-19 PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the Senate Committee Substitute bill is placed on today's calendar for immediate consideration.

CALENDAR

A bill on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 196 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL COVID-19 PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS, upon second reading.

Senator Perry offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Bazemore.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Upon motion of Senator Woodard, the words spoken by members are spread upon the Journal as follows:

SENATOR MCINNIS: "Ladies and gentlemen of the Senate, we are blessed in this body and in this building with the youth and the energy and strength of a lot of folks that work here in these different committees. One of the young men that I've worked closely with who has served the people of the state of North Carolina with great, great character and integrity and zeal and vigor is a young man by the name of Alex Fagg. Today is Alex's last day in the employment of the

Pro Tem's office. He has been the Pro Tem's representative on transportation on the transportation committees as well as the commerce and insurance committees—a brand new appointment on that, he didn't get to stay with us too long. He's had another opportunity, and as he and I talked about it, I said, 'Alex, when the door opens, you walk through it and take that opportunity,' and he's doing that, and it's going to be great for his future and his family's future. Also, it will be great for the people of the state of North Carolina because he'll be working over in one of our educational systems that needs some good leadership and some strong youthful vigor and zeal, and he'll do that. Ladies and gentlemen, I just want to recognize Alex Fagg for the years of service that he has given us for the time, the effort, and all the things that he has put into representing the Pro Tem's office as well as the state of North Carolina for transportation because without his hard work, without his help and his discipline and structure and organization and skill-set, House Bill 77 might not have come around the bend, because he put in a lot of early hours and a lot of late nights to make it happen. I just want to commend Alex Fagg for the great job he's done for the state of North Carolina."

SENATOR WOODARD: "First, I'd like to request the words that Senator McInnis said be spread upon the Journal. Secondly, I would just like to echo Senator McInnis' comments about Alex. He has been a first-rate staff person, and I have really enjoyed my time working with him. Senator McInnis actually sold Alex's work a little short last spring and summer when we were in the middle of working on the transportation bill. Alex was working early in the morning, late at night. I called him one night—I think it was 10:30 or 11—he was just getting home out of his car, walking up his driveway to his house. So we appreciate his patient wife for working with me, McInnis, and Davis. That was quite a trio you had to suffer through last spring, but even more than that, the detail you added to our work on that budget in helping us get through that period. As Tom mentioned, Alex is actually going to work for the community college system. He is going to be the liaison with the community college department. I will have to fuss at my old friend President Stith for stealing you away. But it is a great opportunity, Alex, and we look forward to working with you in your new capacity because we know you are going to bring the same diligence, hard work, and attention to detail to your new work. So thank you, and congratulations."

SENATOR BERGER: "I want to echo the comments that have been made by Senator Woodard and Senator McInnis. You know, I think all of us have an opportunity to do a lot of things as members of the Senate, but one of the grand things that we have the opportunity to do—especially for us older folks—is to work with some really talented young people, and Alex is certainly one of those. There are a number of others that are here now, have been here in the past, and will be here in the future. So take advantage of the wisdom that you can extract from those young people. I remember when I was that age, I knew a whole lot more than I know now."

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Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Britt, the Senate adjourns at 12:52 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, March 8, at 4:00 p.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 41** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF STANLEY AND VASS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 125**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 128**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, with a favorable report.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 27 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ALL MAGISTRATES RECEIVE THE EDUCATION NECESSARY TO PERFORM THEIR JOBS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 73 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WAIVE CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO WAIVE CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor: **H.B. 196,** AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL COVID-19 PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of bills as follows:

S.B. 85, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE CORPORATIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 15.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Health Care Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 171, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF WINGATE, referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** on March 3, with sequential referrals to the **Finance Committee** and the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The bill is withdrawn from the **State and Local Government Committee** and re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, March 8, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:08 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

March 8, 2021

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Mohammed, Foushee, Lowe (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Bazemore, Crawford, Garrett, Hise, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 181, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REENACT THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Foushee, Lowe (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Bazemore, Crawford, deViere, Garrett, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 182, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REENACT THE SALES AND USE TAX HOLIDAY FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Sawyer, Daniel (Primary Sponsors); Burgin, Hise, Jarvis and Steinburg:

S.B. 183, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE MANDATORY RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE COURTS COMMISSION TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Fitch (Primary Sponsor); Batch, Bazemore, Murdock, Perry, Sawyer and Waddell:

S.B. 184, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR EMMANUAL HEALTH EDUCATION, INC., A NONPROFIT CORPORATION, TO SUPPORT THE PROVISION OF PROSTATE CANCER EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH AND SCREENINGS TO HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED AND AT-RISK POPULATIONS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Barnes:

S.B. 185, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE TOWN OF BAILEY TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO ITS SEWER TREATMENT SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Sanderson, Corbin (Primary Sponsors); Burgin and Jarvis:

S.B. 186, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF FELONY DEATH BY VEHICLE FOR REVOKED IMPAIRED DRIVING AND TO REVOKE THE REGISTRATION OF ALL MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED TO A PERSON CONVICTED OF FELONY DEATH BY VEHICLE FOR REVOKED IMPAIRED DRIVING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Alexander:

S.B. 187, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION LOCATED IN CLEVELAND COUNTY IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Galey, and Barnes (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 188, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus, Salvador, Waddell (Primary Sponsors) and Mohammed: **S.B. 189**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield, Fitch, Marcus (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, J. Jackson, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 190, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OR CARRYING OF A DANGEROUS WEAPON AT OR WITHIN A CERTAIN DISTANCE OF A VOTING PLACE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

March 8, 2021

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 81, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO IMPLEMENT AN INSTATE TUITION PILOT PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTS OF CERTAIN GEORGIA COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 121 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 139 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD A LICENSED SOIL SCIENTIST TO THE ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

March 5, 2021

Mr. James White, Principal Clerk North Carolina House of Representatives Legislative Building, Room 2330 Raleigh, NC 27603-5925

Ms. Sarah Holland, Principal Clerk North Carolina Senate Legislative Building, Room 2020 Raleigh, NC 27603-5925

Dear Mr. White and Ms. Holland:

This is written to comply with Section 1 and Section 2 of Executive Order No. 107 signed by Governor Hunt February 20, 1997.

This shall serve as my official designation of Room 1140 within the Department of Administration Building as the "Office of the Legislative Counsel" under provision of Section 1.

I hereby designate LaTanta "LT" McCrimmon and Aimee Murphy of the Governor's Office as officials to whom delivery of bills can be made under the provisions of Section 2, in addition to previously designated employees: Sallie James and Claudia Shoemaker.

LT McCrimmon and Sallie James shall serve as the designated liaisons to lobby on behalf of this office. Ms. McCrimmon's office is located in Room 1140C of the Administration Building and her phone number is (919) 814-2027. Ms. James' office is located in Room 1140C of the Administration Building and her phone number is (919) 814-2054.

With kind regards, I am

Very truly yours, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: Senator Phil Berger Representative Tim Moore

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 56**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A CAPITAL PROJECT USING NON-GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT TRYON PALACE, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 113** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL IN TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CASES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 114**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES ALLOWED FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, with a favorable report.

S.B. 135 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Todd Johnson, Senator from Union County, as follows:

"Dear heavenly Father, as we gather here tonight to do the peoples' work in the great state of North Carolina, we ask that you fill this room, Lord, and fill the hearts of each and every one in here, and help us always use discernment and always honor your will, Lord, in the decisions we make. Please be with the men and women in uniform tonight that are standing and keeping guard, both domestic and abroad, Lord. Also, Lord, we pray for our leadership, from D.C. all the way down to the municipalities, Lord. Help them also, as they have very difficult decisions to make during these troubling times of the pandemic, Lord. We ask these things, in your name we pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, March 4, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Lowe, Senator Marcus, and Senator Robinson.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 41 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF STANLEY AND VASS, upon second reading. The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, aves 47, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---47.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 remains on the calendar for Tuesday, March 9, upon third reading.

S.B. 125, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 128, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 7:18 p.m., in recognition of and in honor of International Women's Day and the North Carolina State University Women's Basketball Team, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, March 9, at 9:30 a.m.

TWENTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, March 9, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

March 9, 2021

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Daniel, Krawiec, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Burgin, Galey, Hise, Johnson, Lee, McInnis, Newton and Steinburg:

S.B. 191, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS THAT WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION, TO DEVELOP AND DISSEMINATE FREE INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS EXPLAINING THESE RIGHTS TO HOSPITALS, NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, HOSPICE CARE FACILITIES, ADULT CARE HOMES, SPECIAL CARE UNITS, AND CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES LICENSED UNDER CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Proctor and Daniel (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 192, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REPEALING THE LOCAL ACTS ESTABLISHING THE HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND PROVIDING THAT THE CITY OF HICKORY SHALL ESTABLISH A PLANNING COMMISSION AS PROVIDED UNDER THE GENERAL LAWS OF THIS STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus, Mohammed, Salvador (Primary Sponsors); J. Jackson and Waddell:

S.B. 193, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO GRANT CERTAIN SUBPOENA POWER TO THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE CITIZENS REVIEW BOARD.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lazzara:

S.B. 194, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REESTABLISH STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise (Primary Sponsor) and Mayfield:

S.B. 195, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE LINVILLE CAVERNS SPIDER AS THE STATE'S OFFICIAL SPIDER.

By Senators Edwards and Galey (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 196, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, AND (III) PROVIDE THAT IN A TAX FORECLOSURE ACTION A COMMISSIONER'S FEE SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM THE REAL PROPERTY DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE DATE OF SALE AND THE JUDGMENT CONFIRMING THE SALE AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Galey (Primary Sponsors) and McInnis:

S.B. 197, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) REMOVE THE LOCATION REQUIREMENT FOR HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS TO ALIGN NORTH CAROLINA WITH ALL OTHER STATES RECOGNIZING HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS, (II) UPDATE THE DEFINITIONS OF "TERMS OF A TRUST" AND "TRUST INSTRUMENT" AND REVISE THE ARTICLE ON POWER HOLDERS OF TRUSTS, AND (III) CLARIFY THE TRUST EXCLUSION TO THE RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards and Galey (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 198, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford, Batch, Britt (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Foushee, J. Jackson, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock and Waddell:

S.B. 199, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH INFORMATION AND RESOURCES ON CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT, INCLUDING SEXUAL ABUSE.

By Senators Edwards, Ford, and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 200, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES FROM IMPLEMENTING CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES INTAKE SCREENING CRITERIA THAT IS MORE STRINGENT THAN, OR IN ADDITION TO, STATE POLICY AND TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO MAKE VARIOUS POLICY CHANGES AS A MEANS TO IMPROVE THE CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES INTAKE SCREENING PROCESS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM EVALUATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer and Johnson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 201, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES ON OWNER-RETAINED SALVAGE FORMS AND ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Hise, Lee and McInnis:

S.B. 202, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING THE ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES WHEN IT IS NOTIFIED OF A LAPSE IN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Edwards for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:

S.B. 126, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 101, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE CHARGED WITH CERTAIN CRIMES AND WHO ARE SUBJECT TO A DETAINER REQUEST BE HELD FOR FORTY-EIGHT HOURS AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTS FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35100, which changes the title to read **S.B. 101** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE COMPLIANCE WITH IMMIGRATION DETAINERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE WARRANTS AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTS FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 138, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS HELD SOLELY BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION AND TO MAKE RELATED MODIFICATIONS TO THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45119, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 93 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARENTS UNDERGOING COURT-ORDERED SUBSTANCE ABUSE OR OTHER MENTAL HEALTH DISORDER TREATMENT OR COUNSELLING TO RETAIN MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY WHILE THEIR CHILD IS TEMPORARILY SERVED BY THE FOSTER CARE PROGRAM, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 15100, which changes the title to read **S.B. 93** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARENTS TO RETAIN MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY WHILE THEIR CHILD IS TEMPORARILY SERVED BY THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee**.

By Senator Daniel for the Finance Committee:

S.B. 171, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF WINGATE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35101, which changes the title to read **S.B. 171** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF BELVILLE AND WINGATE AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SURF CITY, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State** and Local Government Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Kevin Corbin, Senator from Macon County, as follows:

"Lord, thank you for this day. This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Lord, I want to pause just now and thank you for these colleagues in this room. Thank you for their lives, their service, their love for our great North State. God bless our efforts to faithfully serve the citizens of this great state. God, we ask for divine wisdom and your divine blessing. In Jesus' name we pray. And all God's children said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, March 8, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 41 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF STANLEY AND VASS, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 49, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---49.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 114, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES ALLOWED FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 50, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---50.

Voting in the negative: None.

The bill remains on the calendar for Wednesday, March 10, upon third reading.

S.B. 56, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A CAPITAL PROJECT USING NON-GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT TRYON PALACE, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (50-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 113 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL IN TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CASES, upon second reading.

Senator Daniel offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (50-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (50-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 135 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (50-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

BILL FILING DEADLINE EXTENDED

Senator Rabon offers a motion that the rules be suspended to the end that members may file bills until 6:00 p.m. today. The motion prevails without objection.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:33 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, March 10, at 9:30 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 90, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO CONDUCT VARIOUS STUDIES AND MAKE REFORMS TO IMPROVE SOCIAL SERVICES, THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES; TO IMPROVE INTERCOUNTY COLLABORATION BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES; AND TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD WELLBEING TRANSFORMATION COUNCIL, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 159, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 1

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 160, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES BY ENHANCING THE PLAN'S ABILITY TO COLLECT OVERPAYMENTS AND UNPAID PREMIUMS AND PROHIBITING THE PLAN FROM ALLOWING THIRD PARTIES TO WRITE OFF DEBT OWED TO THE STATE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 1.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 173, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 3.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 174, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ACCESS AND UTILIZE ITS OWN CLAIMS PAYMENT DATA WHILE CONTINUING TO PROTECT THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE INFORMATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 3.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 184, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR EMMANUAL HEALTH EDUCATION, INC., A NONPROFIT CORPORATION, TO SUPPORT THE PROVISION OF PROSTATE CANCER EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH AND SCREENINGS TO HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED AND AT-RISK POPULATIONS IN NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 185, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE TOWN OF BAILEY TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO ITS SEWER TREATMENT SYSTEM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 188, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 194, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REESTABLISH STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 192, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REPEALING THE LOCAL ACTS ESTABLISHING THE HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND PROVIDING THAT THE CITY OF HICKORY SHALL ESTABLISH A PLANNING COMMISSION AS PROVIDED UNDER THE GENERAL LAWS OF THIS STATE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 202, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING THE ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES WHEN IT IS NOTIFIED OF A LAPSE IN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWENTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, March 10, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Woodard and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 203, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DURHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING FOR TEACHERS AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF DURHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 204, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DURHAM TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO CONDEMN OR ACQUIRE PROPERTY NECESSARY TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION PROJECT RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR THE RELOCATION OF UTILITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer, Newton (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Batch, Britt, Burgin, Corbin, Daniel, Hise, Johnson, Lee, McInnis and Perry:

S.B. 205, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE CONSUMER PROTECTIONS RELATED TO ROOFING REPAIR CONTRACTORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Craven and Perry:

S.B. 206, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING STATE AGENCIES TO ACCEPT ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES, NOTARIZATION, AND SEALS WITH RESPECT TO ANY BONDING REQUIREMENT OR BOND ISSUANCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Daniel, Mohammed (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Chaudhuri, deViere, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mayfield, Murdock, Salvador, Sanderson and Waddell:

S.B. 207, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Galey, and Woodard (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 208, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Newton (Primary Sponsor) and Perry:

S.B. 209, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Burgin, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors) and Corbin:

S.B. 210, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE ABILITY OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE OF NORTH CAROLINA TO USE OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS WITH RESPECT TO INSURANCE LICENSING EXAMINATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Newton (Primary Sponsor) and Barnes:

S.B. 211, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Robinson, Davis (Primary Sponsors); Garrett and Waddell:

S.B. 212, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BENNETT COLLEGE FOR THE NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Ford (Primary Sponsor) and Sanderson:

S.B. 213, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE ACTIVE TIME FOR A CONVICTION OF FELONY DEATH BY VEHICLE OR FELONY DEATH BY IMPAIRED BOATING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Robinson and Garrett (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 214, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW GUILFORD COUNTY TO DEDICATE THE CHAPTER 105 ARTICLE 46 ONE-QUARTER CENT COUNTY SALES AND USE TAX TO PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY PURPOSES ONLY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Robinson and Garrett (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 215, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GREENSBORO TO PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS TO FORMER CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS WHO ARE NOT RECEIVING RETIREMENT BENEFITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Robinson and Garrett (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 216, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE RELEASE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT BODY-WORN CAMERA RECORDINGS TO CERTAIN GREENSBORO ENTITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Robinson, Garrett, Galey (Primary Sponsors) and Mohammed:

S.B. 217, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO GUILFORD COUNTY TO SUPPORT A DATA ANALYTICS SYSTEM FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND TO ESTABLISH A HIGH-QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM IN GUILFORD COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Waddell (Primary Sponsor); Batch, deViere and Foushee:

S.B. 218, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE LONGEVITY PAYMENTS FOR EDUCATORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators McInnis (Primary Sponsor); Edwards and Sawyer:

S.B. 219, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR AND MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Ballard, Lee, Hise (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Galey, Harrington, Newton, Sawyer, Steinburg and Waddell:

S.B. 220, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO TEMPORARILY EXTEND CPR GRADUATION REQUIREMENT CHANGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 220, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO TEMPORARILY EXTEND CPR GRADUATION REQUIREMENT CHANGES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 10.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Education/Higher Education Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 95 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN

ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 19, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF NORWOOD.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 101** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE COMPLIANCE WITH IMMIGRATION DETAINERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE WARRANTS AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTS FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 126**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 138** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS HELD SOLELY BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION AND TO MAKE RELATED MODIFICATIONS TO THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, with a favorable report.

By Senator Lee for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 220, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO TEMPORARILY EXTEND CPR GRADUATION REQUIREMENT CHANGES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15115, which changes the title to read **S.B. 220** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Daniel for the Finance Committee:

S.B. 122, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 103 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 15117, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

S.B. 220 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, with a favorable report.

By Senator Ford for the **State and Local Government Committee**:

S.B. 150, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 170, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 169, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE KINSTON-LENOIR COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45134, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Paul Newton, Senator from Cabarrus County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we thank you for the opportunity to be here today. Remind us, Lord, whom we serve. We serve you first, and we serve the citizens of North Carolina as well. Remind us it's not about us, it's about you, it's about them. We pray today that you'd give us the wisdom to see this world and the problems we're trying to solve with your eyes. Give us your wisdom, Lord, for we can do nothing without your help. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, March 9, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Bazemore.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 220 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the Committee Substitute bill is placed on today's calendar.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 114, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE 2020 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES ALLOWED FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, upon third reading.

The bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 49, noes 0, as follows: Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---49.

Voting in the negative: None.

The bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 220 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Committee Substitute bill is sent to the House of Representative by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:19 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, March 11, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Ford for the State and Local Government Committee:

S.B. 171 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF BELVILLE AND WINGATE AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SURF CITY, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 15121, which changes the title to read **S.B. 171** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF BELVILLE AND WINGATE, REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SURF CITY, AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, March 11, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

March 11, 2021

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Woodard and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 221, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CONTINUANCES FOR CERTAIN DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDINGS WHERE ONE OR MORE PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDING DO NOT CONSENT TO A VIRTUAL MEETING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 222, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DURHAM TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO REIMBURSE NONMUNICIPAL UTILITY OWNERS FOR UTILITY RELOCATION COSTS IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS OR MORE WITHOUT COMPLYING WITH THE STATE'S CONTRACTING LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 223, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DURHAM TO MAKE GRANTS TO BUSINESSES AND PRIVATE OR PUBLIC NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT SERVE THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND WELL-BEING OF THE DURHAM COMMUNITY AND ITS CITIZENS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators B. Jackson, Sanderson, Nickel (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Galey, Jarvis, Johnson, McInnis and Steinburg:

S.B. 224, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator B. Jackson:

S.B. 225, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADDING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF AUTRYVILLE.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors) and McInnis:

S.B. 226, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT EXTENDING THE DEADLINES FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORK KNOWN AS NC HEALTHCONNEX FOR CERTAIN PROVIDERS AND ENTITIES; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY AS AN ENFORCEMENT MECHANISM FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lowe (Primary Sponsor) and Mayfield:

S.B. 227, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING CITIES THE SAME AUTHORITY AS COUNTIES TO UNDERTAKE ACTIVITIES WITHIN THEIR STORM MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS TO IMPLEMENT FLOOD REDUCTION TECHNIQUES THAT RESULT IN IMPROVEMENTS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Krawiec, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Clark, Corbin, Crawford, deViere, Galey, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Newton, Salvador, Sanderson and Steinburg:

S.B. 228, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Johnson:

S.B. 229, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE CAPITAL PROJECT FOR THE SOUTH PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE ASEPTIC TRAINING CENTER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Waddell (Primary Sponsor) and Lowe:

S.B. 230, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF STATE TROOPERS ASSIGNED TO MECKLENBURG COUNTY AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lazzara, Sanderson, deViere (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Clark, Crawford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Johnson, Krawiec, Lowe, Marcus, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 231, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REORGANIZE RULES REGARDING THE REGULATION OF INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT A RULE TO EXPAND ELIGIBILITY FOR CHILDREN OF MILITARY FAMILIES TO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Hise, Daniel, Ballard (Primary Sponsors); Johnson and Sanderson:

S.B. 232, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Craven and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 233, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAWS PERTAINING TO HUNTING AND TRAPPING IN CUMBERLAND, HARNETT, RANDOLPH, AND GUILFORD COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Alexander:

S.B. 234, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Steinburg, Alexander, Ford (Primary Sponsors); Krawiec and Lowe:

S.B. 235, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE NEW STATE VETERANS HOME IN KERNERSVILLE FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Marcus:

S.B. 236, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CONSENT FROM THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG SCHOOLS' SUPERINTENDENT BEFORE USING CERTAIN SCHOOLS AS EARLY ONE-STOP VOTING SITES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Johnson:

S.B. 237, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE TO APPOINT A MEMBER NOMINATED BY THE ALLIANCE OF INSURANCE AGENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE REINSURANCE FACILITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, McInnis, Craven (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Jarvis and Proctor:

S.B. 238, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES, INJURY, OR DEATH OCCURRING DURING PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 48 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM THE CONCEALED CARRY PROHIBITION CERTAIN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL WHILE ON DUTY PROVIDING TACTICAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 50, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CALYPSO.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 49, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A CONCEALED CARRY PERMITTEE WHO ALLOWS THE PERMIT TO LAPSE DOES NOT HAVE TO TAKE ANOTHER FIREARMS SAFETY AND TRAINING COURSE UPON APPLYING FOR RENEWAL UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 89, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER OF EACH YEAR AS CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 162, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 184 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT THE INCLUSION OF REAL PROPERTY ON A COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN IS NOT A REQUIRED DISCLOSURE OR A MATERIAL FACT FOR THE PURPOSES OF DISCLOSURE FOR REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 150**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 169** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE KINSTON-LENOIR COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 170**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 171** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF BELVILLE AND WINGATE, REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SURF CITY, AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Lord God, we thank you and we honor you in all that we do. God, we ask that men and women around the world rise up together and pray for peace everywhere, every day. Please give us compassion for those who are suffering from Covid illnesses, for those who are suffering from other things that cause us not to function, and send them love, life, and healing. Lord, we ask that men and women around the world rise up together and pray for peace everywhere and every day. We honor you. These blessings we ask in your name. And all the people said, 'Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, March 10, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Davis, and Senator McInnis.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 220. AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 101 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE COMPLIANCE WITH IMMIGRATION DETAINERS AND ADMINISTRATIVE WARRANTS AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN REPORTS FROM LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, upon second reading.

Senator Edwards offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (45-2).

Senator Edwards offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (27-20).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (27-20) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 126, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 138 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS HELD SOLELY BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION AND TO MAKE RELATED MODIFICATIONS TO THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Upon motion of Senator deViere, his words are spread upon the Journal as follows:

"This past Wednesday, North Carolina lost a hero-someone from our Greatest Generation. Sergeant Major Kenneth 'Rock' Merritt died Wednesday. He was 97. I can look around this chamber—and if you've spent any time around veterans in North Carolina, you probably met Rock. I spent a lot of time with him. He was one of those guys that jumped into Normandy. There's a small crew of those that you can still talk stories to today. He served in the 82nd Airborne and

was part of the Normandy Invasion. In his stories—when he jumped in, he got disconnected from his platoon and wandered around almost 48 hours by himself. We truly had a living legend in our midst, and I was privileged and honored to be able to spend time with him. He was the first command sergeant major of the 18th Airborne Corps. He fought in Vietnam as well as continued again when he was the first sergeant major of the 18th Airborne Corps. Again, North Carolina lost an incredible hero this week, one that I will personally miss—the friendship that I built with him over the last eight years and the stories that I will cherish and keep with me always. Mr. President, I move that the Senate adjourn in memory of Sergeant Major Kenneth 'Rock' Merritt and that these words be spread across the Journal."

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Perry, the Senate adjourns at 1:08 p.m., in memory of Sergeant Major Kenneth "Rock" Merritt, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, March 15, at 4:00 p.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 207, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 10.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 209, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 10.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 211, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 10.

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The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee.**

S.B. 217. A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO GUILFORD COUNTY TO SUPPORT A DATA ANALYTICS SYSTEM FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND TO ESTABLISH A HIGH-QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM IN GUILFORD COUNTY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 10.

The bill is re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 224, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee.**

S.B. 225, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADDING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF AUTRYVILLE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 229, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE CAPITAL PROJECT FOR THE SOUTH PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE ASEPTIC TRAINING CENTER, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 230, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF STATE TROOPERS ASSIGNED TO MECKLENBURG COUNTY AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS, referred to the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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S.B. 232, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 233, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAWS PERTAINING TO HUNTING AND TRAPPING IN CUMBERLAND, HARNETT, RANDOLPH, AND GUILFORD COUNTIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 234, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 235, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE NEW STATE VETERANS HOME IN KERNERSVILLE FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 82 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS AND TO REQUIRE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF INNOVATIVE BENCHMARK ASSESSMENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 24.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 146, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY AND TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A 2021-2022 COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Senate Rule 31, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, establishes the **Select Committee on Storm Related River Debris and Damage in North Carolina**. The members are as follows:

Co-Chair: Senator Britt Senator Perry

Members: Senators Batch, Davis, Fitch, Mayfield, McInnis, Rabon,

Sanderson and Steinburg.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 196,** AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL COVID-19 PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, March 11, 2021 S.L. 2021-3)
- **S.B. 220,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO IN-PERSON LEARNING FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, March 11, 2021 S.L. 2021-4)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, March 15, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

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Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:00 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND A RESOLUTION

Bills and a resolution filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Woodard, Murdock (Primary Sponsors) and Lowe:

S.B. 239, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF DURHAM TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SPEED-MEASURING SYSTEMS TO DETECT SPEED LIMIT VIOLATIONS IN SCHOOL ZONES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 240, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMITS TO TWENTY-FIVE MILES PER HOUR ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS IN DURHAM EXPERIENCING CONGESTION, AS DETERMINED BY THE CITY OF DURHAM'S TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Jarvis, Sawyer, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Craven, Lazzara, Lowe and Perry:

S.B. 241, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus (Primary Sponsor) and Mohammed:

S.B. 242, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG SCHOOLS TO USE REMOTE LEARNING IN RESPONSE TO SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS AND OTHER EMERGENCY SITUATIONS IN ORDER TO AVOID ADDING IN-PERSON MAKE-UP DAYS TO THE SCHOOL CALENDAR ONCE ALL PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED MAKE-UP DAYS ARE USED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus (Primary Sponsor) and Waddell:

S.B. 243, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN DESIGN AND AESTHETIC CONTROLS FOR STRUCTURES LOCATED ALONG NC HIGHWAY 115 IN THE HISTORIC DOWNTOWN OF DAVIDSON.

By Senator Marcus:

S.B. 244, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT DESIGNATED HISTORIC DISTRICTS FROM CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON ZONING IN THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus (Primary Sponsor) and Mohammed:

S.B. 245, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON TO ADOPT ORDINANCES REGULATING THE PLANTING, REMOVAL, AND PRESERVATION OF TREES, INCLUDING ON PROPERTY TO BE DEVELOPED FOR SINGLE-FAMILY OR DUPLEX RESIDENTIAL USES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Marcus:

S.B. 246, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF DAVIDSON TO ADOPT ORDINANCES REGULATING THE DEMOLITION OF HISTORIC STRUCTURES IN THE TOWN'S HISTORIC DISTRICTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Salvador (Primary Sponsor) and Waddell:

S.B. 247, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF A MUNICIPAL ONE-QUARTER PERCENT SALES AND USE TAX.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Johnson, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Garrett, Jarvis, Lazzara and Mohammed:

S.B. 248, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF THE DATA AND METHODOLOGIES USED BY DENTAL SERVICES BENEFIT PLANS BY WHICH DENTISTS ARE SUBJECT TO RATING OR PROFILING SYSTEMS OR DESIGNATIONS TO ENSURE ACCURATE, FAIR, AND USEFUL RATING OF THOSE DENTISTS AND TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IDENTIFICATION CARDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Krawiec, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Ballard, Barnes, Blue, Britt, Clark, Corbin, Daniel, Edwards, Foushee, Garrett, B. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Murdock, Newton, Proctor, Robinson, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg and Waddell:

S.B. 249, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELIVER SAFE, ACCESSIBLE, VALUE-DIRECTED, AND EXCELLENT (SAVE) HEALTH CARE THROUGHOUT NORTH CAROLINA BY MODERNIZING NURSING REGULATIONS.

By Senator Daniel:

S.B. 250, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus (Primary Sponsor) and Mohammed:

S.B. 251, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO HELP CONSTRUCT THE CAIN CENTER FOR THE ARTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus (Primary Sponsor) and Waddell:

S.B. 252, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE TOWN OF CORNELIUS FOR A COMPREHENSIVE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN TO INCREASE AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Marcus:

S.B. 253, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE SUNSET OF AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF CORNELIUS TO REGULATE VACATION RENTALS AND OTHER TRANSIENT OCCUPANCIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Batch (Primary Sponsor) and Marcus:

S.B. 254, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HOLLY SPRINGS TO ALLOW THE TOWN TO REGULATE THE REMOVAL AND PRESERVATION OF TREES AND SHRUBS AS PART OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, PROVIDING THAT TREE ORDINANCES SHALL BE ENFORCED IN THE SAME MANNER AS ALL OTHER TOWN ORDINANCES, AND MAKING A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Daniel (Primary Sponsors); McInnis, Sanderson and Steinburg: **S.B. 255**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Jarvis, Lazzara, Ford (Primary Sponsors); Burgin, Hise, Johnson and Sanderson:

S.B. 256, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

By Senators Perry, Britt, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Corbin, deViere, Edwards, Garrett, Jarvis, Lazzara, Lowe, McInnis, Mohammed, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 257, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Rabon (Primary Sponsor); Barnes, Britt, Clark, Daniel, Galey, Hise, Krawiec, Lazzara, McInnis, Perry, Robinson, Sawyer and Waddell:

S.R. 258, A SENATE RESOLUTION ELECTING JOEL D. FORD TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators Waddell (Primary Sponsor); J. Jackson, Marcus, Mohammed and

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S.B. 259, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD TWO ADDITIONAL MAGISTRATES TO MECKLENBURG COUNTY AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Sawyer:

S.B. 260, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Sawyer:

S.B. 261, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO MOORESVILLE GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer and Alexander (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 262, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CERTAIN COUNTIES IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Sawyer:

S.B. 263, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO YADKIN COUNTY SCHOOLS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

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S.B. 264, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO IREDELL-STATESVILLE SCHOOLS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson and Ford (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 265, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE TRANSPARENCY OF BOND REFERENDUMS BY REQUIRING ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES ON BOND APPLICATIONS, THE ORDER APPROVING THE BOND APPLICATION, AND ON THE BALLOT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Blue:

S.B. 266, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 14TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer (Primary Sponsor) and Marcus:

S.B. 267, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PERSONS TOWED BEHIND A VESSEL ON LAKE NORMAN TO WEAR A PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE AND TO LIMIT HOURS OF TOWED ACTIVITY ON LAKE NORMAN TO THE PERIOD BETWEEN SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Lowe (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Sawyer and Waddell:

S.B. 268, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE FILM AND ENTERTAINMENT GRANT FUND.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock and Woodard (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 269, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN FILLING VACANCIES ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF DURHAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson (Primary Sponsor); Corbin, Perry and Sawyer:

S.B. 270, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE.

By Senators Johnson, Burgin, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Corbin, Edwards and Perry:

S.B. 271, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE INSURANCE RATE-MAKING LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson (Primary Sponsor) and Sawyer:

S.B. 272, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DEFINING THE OWNERSHIP RIGHTS OF INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS WITH RESPECT TO POLICYHOLDER INFORMATION AND EXPIRATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus, Salvador, Waddell (Primary Sponsors); J. Jackson and Mohammed:

S.B. 273, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE LAW ESTABLISHING THE CHARLOTTE FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Waddell, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Blue, Crawford, deViere, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson and Salvador:

S.B. 274, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REINSTATE EDUCATION-BASED SALARY SUPPLEMENTS FOR TEACHERS AND INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Alexander and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 275, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO CREDITABLE SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Alexander and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 276, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES RELATED TO CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LGERS) AND THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT **SYSTEM** (TSERS); CLARIFYING WITHDRAWAL LIABILITIES UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; **CLARIFYING** AND **STANDARDIZING** THE **DEFINITION** "ACTUARIAL EQUIVALENT" UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; REQUIRING EMPLOYING UNITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES FOR SPECIAL SEPARATION BUYOUTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; GIVING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES UNDER CERTAIN PLANS; AND CLAWING BACK DISABILITY INCOME PLAN OVERPAYMENTS UNDER THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Alexander and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 277, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Galey, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Lazzara and Perry:

S.B. 278, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM THE STATUTE RELATING TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENDITURES MADE BY SPOUSES ON JOINT PROPERTY WITH CURRENT FAMILY LAW PRACTICE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FAMILY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sanderson (Primary Sponsor) and Steinburg:

S.B. 279, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW BERN AND THE TOWNS OF BRIDGETON, ORIENTAL, AND TRENT WOODS TO REGULATE NAVIGABLE WATERS WITHIN THEIR CORPORATE LIMITS AND EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett and Robinson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 280, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY FOR THE GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett and Robinson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 281, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RESTORING FAIR TREATMENT FOR JOURNALISM IN GUILFORD COUNTY BY REPEALING A PILOT PROGRAM AUTHORIZING GUILFORD COUNTY AND MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED WHOLLY OR PARTLY IN GUILFORD COUNTY TO PUBLISH REQUIRED NOTICES ELECTRONICALLY AND AUTHORIZING GUILFORD COUNTY TO PUBLISH LEGAL NOTICES VIA A COUNTY-MAINTAINED WEBSITE FOR A FEE.

By Senator Lee:

S.B. 282, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORITY OF CIVILIAN TRAFFIC INVESTIGATORS IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Batch:

S.B. 283, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 17TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett and Robinson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 284, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF GREENSBORO TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SPEED-MEASURING SYSTEMS TO DETECT SPEED LIMIT VIOLATIONS IN SCHOOL ZONES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard, Murdock (Primary Sponsors) and Robinson:

S.B. 285, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADDRESS MISUSE OF THE AGRICULTURE EXCEPTION TO SEDIMENTATION AND EROSION CONTROL REQUIREMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett and Robinson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 286, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF GREENSBORO TO REDUCE BY ORDINANCE THE SPEED LIMIT ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus, Salvador (Primary Sponsors) and Waddell:

S.B. 287, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DELAY OF THE 2021 ELECTIONS FOR THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION IF CENSUS DATA IS NOT AVAILABLE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION BY A DATE CERTAIN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Daniel:

S.B. 288, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN BURKE COUNTY AND THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL BE HELD IN EVENNUMBERED YEARS.

By Senators Britt, Daniel, Ford (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, deViere, Garrett, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Lowe, Mohammed, Sanderson and Steinburg:

S.B. 289, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO TRANSFER THE NORTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FROM THE STATE EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TO CODIFY THE TARHEEL CHALLENGE ACADEMY, TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE BUTNER TIMBER FUND SALE PROCEEDS, AND TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD RESERVE JOBS ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, McInnis, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Craven, Jarvis, Perry and Steinburg:

S.B. 290, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS OF APPLICANTS TO FIRE DEPARTMENTS, TO REQUIRE APPLICANTS TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN CRIMINAL CHARGES, AND TO PROHIBIT APPLICANTS CONVICTED OF CERTAIN CRIMES FROM SERVING AS VOLUNTEER OR PAID MEMBERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Clark (Primary Sponsors); Garrett, Marcus and Mohammed:

S.B. 291, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE TO ESTABLISH A CITIZENS REVIEW BOARD TO INVESTIGATE OR REVIEW ALLEGATIONS OF CERTAIN POLICE MISCONDUCT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett and Robinson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 292, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO ESTABLISH A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE CITY AND TO ENHANCE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES TO PARTICIPATE IN CITY CONTRACTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Ballard:

S.B. 293, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE OCCUPANCY TAX AUTHORIZATION FOR THE TOWN OF WILKESBORO. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators deViere and Clark (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 294, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 24 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITIES OF KINGS MOUNTAIN AND SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, RAMSEUR, AND STANLEY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 53 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE STUDENT ATTENDANCE IN A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT FOR CHILDREN OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY DUE TO THE MILITARY ORDERS OF THE PARENT AND TO CLARIFY CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE DEPENDENTS OF MILITARY PERSONNEL ONCE THOSE STUDENTS ARE ADMITTED TO A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 62 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AGAINST CITIES AND COUNTIES THAT ADOPT SANCTUARY POLICIES, ORDINANCES, OR PROCEDURES IN VIOLATION OF STATE LAW.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 134 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A PERSON WHO HAS A CONCEALED CARRY HANDGUN PERMIT MAY CARRY A HANDGUN ON EDUCATIONAL PROPERTY THAT IS THE LOCATION OF BOTH A SCHOOL AND A PLACE OF RELIGIOUS WORSHIP AND TO ENACT THE 2ND AMENDMENT PROTECTION ACT OF 2021.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 193 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT TRANSPORTATION CAN BE PROVIDED FOR STUDENTS TO ATTEND IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION IN LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS DURING THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a resolution as follows:

S.R. 258, A SENATE RESOLUTION ELECTING JOEL D. FORD TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The resolution is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Select Committee on Nominations.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 103** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 122**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Todd Johnson, Senator from Union County, as follows:

"Dear heavenly Father, thank you for letting us gather here tonight. Thank you for all the great weather and the great blessings you have bestowed upon us, Lord. Thank you for letting us live in the greatest state in the greatest country on earth, Lord. Please be with every member that's here tonight. Give them discernment and guidance as we make decisions for the people of this great state, Lord. Also be with those that serve to protect us both foreign and domestic, Lord, and give us a good week this week. We pray in your name. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, March 11, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Britt, Senator Garrett, Senator Lowe, Senator Robinson, and Senator Steinburg.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 171 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF BELVILLE AND WINGATE, REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SURF CITY, AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 45, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Waddell and Woodard---45.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 remains on the calendar for Tuesday, March 16, upon third reading.

S.B. 150, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR, TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 169 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE KINSTON-LENOIR COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 170, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, upon second reading.

Senator Corbin offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (45-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

BILL CO-SPONSORSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED

Senator Rabon offers a motion that the bills currently eligible for co-sponsoring, **S.B. 239-S.B. 294**, remain available on the dashboard to co-sponsor until one hour after session adjourns tomorrow. The motion prevails without objection.

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Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Krawiec, the Senate adjourns at 7:21 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, March 16, at 9:30 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 250, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 251, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO HELP CONSTRUCT THE CAIN CENTER FOR THE ARTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 252, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE TOWN OF CORNELIUS FOR A COMPREHENSIVE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN TO INCREASE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 253, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE SUNSET OF AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF CORNELIUS TO REGULATE VACATION RENTALS AND OTHER TRANSIENT OCCUPANCIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 256, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 259, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD TWO ADDITIONAL MAGISTRATES TO MECKLENBURG COUNTY AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 260, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 265, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE TRANSPARENCY OF BOND REFERENDUMS BY REQUIRING ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES ON BOND APPLICATIONS, THE ORDER APPROVING THE BOND APPLICATION, AND ON THE BALLOT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 268, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE FILM AND ENTERTAINMENT GRANT FUND, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 269, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN FILLING VACANCIES ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF DURHAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 278, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM THE STATUTE RELATING TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENDITURES MADE BY SPOUSES ON JOINT PROPERTY WITH CURRENT FAMILY LAW PRACTICE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FAMILY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 279, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW BERN AND THE TOWNS OF BRIDGETON, ORIENTAL, AND TRENT WOODS TO REGULATE NAVIGABLE WATERS WITHIN THEIR CORPORATE LIMITS AND EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 288, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN BURKE COUNTY AND THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

TWENTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, March 16, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Alexander, McInnis, Steinburg (Primary Sponsors) Corbin and Galey:

S.B. 295, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO COMMEMORATE THE SESTERCENTENNIAL OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION BY PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND PROTECTION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES IN ORDER TO PRESERVE NORTH CAROLINA'S HISTORY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Sanderson, Lazzara (Primary Sponsors); Garrett, Mayfield and Steinburg:

S.B. 296, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA POLICY COLLABORATORY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL TO STUDY THE COASTAL AND MARINE FISHERIES REGULATED BY THE STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Hise, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Ballard, Craven, Jarvis, Lee, McInnis and Steinburg:

S.B. 297, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE A TAX CREDIT FOR HOME SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators McInnis, Johnson, Barnes (Primary Sponsors); Corbin, deViere and Steinburg:

S.B. 298, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO TEACHER LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS AND TO EXTEND AND EXPAND THE PROGRAM TO ALLOW RETIRED EDUCATORS TO RETURN TO WORK IN HIGH-NEED SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer and Johnson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 299, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAINTAIN NAIC ACCREDITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE BY MAKING REVISIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE AND RESERVE FINANCING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Daniel, Lee (Primary Sponsors); Galey, Perry, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 300, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S RECORD OF ARREST PROSECUTION BACKGROUND (RAP BACK) SYSTEM FOR LAW PURPOSES; TO **EXPAND ENFORCEMENT** HIRING ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURT'S COURT DATE REMINDER DECRIMINALIZE **NON-STATUTORY** OFFENSES AND VIOLATIONS; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR RIOT OFFENSES; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; AND TO MANDATE FIRST APPEARANCES FOR ALL CHARGES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY TO BE HELD WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Britt, Daniel, Lee (Primary Sponsors); Clark, deViere, Garrett, Hise, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock and Robinson:

S.B. 301, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO TWO NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," AND TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Steinburg, Burgin, and Ford (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 302, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE AUTHORITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION NETWORK GOVERNING BOARD.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Alexander:

S.B. 303, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO CREDITABLE SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A standing committee report and a select committee report are submitted as follows:

By Senator McInnis for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 69 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION TO UTILIZE COMMERCIAL DRIVER TRAINING SCHOOLS TO ADMINISTER ROAD TESTS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 45161, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Select Committee on Nominations:

S.R. 258, A SENATE RESOLUTION ELECTING JOEL D. FORD TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate Principal Clerk Sarah Holland; Members of the Senate

FROM: Senator Bill Rabon, Chair, Senate Select Committee on Nominations

DATE: March 16, 2021

Re: The University of North Carolina Board of Governors Nominees

Pursuant to Senate Resolution 111, "A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATING AND ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA," the Senate Select Committee on Nominations has met and voted on the following slate of candidates to be submitted to the Senate. The Senate will elect six (6) individuals from this slate to serve on the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina.

NomineeSponsor(s)Kirk J. BradleySen. BurginJimmy D. ClarkSen. Craven & Sen. Harrington

Sonja Phillips Nichols Sen. Sawyer

James Arthur Pope Sen. Rabon
Randall Clark Ramsey Sen. B. Jackson

Lee H. Roberts Sen. Hise & Sen. McInnis

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"I'm pressing on the upward way, new heights I'm gaining every day, still praying as onward bound, Lord, plant my feet on higher ground. Lord, lift me up and let me stand by faith on heaven's table land. A higher plane I have found. Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.'* And all of the people said, 'Amen.'"

*Higher Ground by Wesley Pritchard

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Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, March 15, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Alexander.

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CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 171 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF BELVILLE AND WINGATE, REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SURF CITY, AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 48, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---48. Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 122, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 49, noes 0, as follows: Voting in the affirmative: Senators Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---49.

Voting in the negative: None.

The bill remains on the calendar for Wednesday, March 17, upon third reading.

S.B. 103 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, upon second reading.

Senator Perry offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Britt, the Senate adjourns at 4:20 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, March 17, at 9:30 a.m.

THIRTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, March 17, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Galey (Primary Sponsor) and Perry:

S.B. 304, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR ALAMANCE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE PURCHASE OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT FOR THE BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER OF EXCELLENCE BUILDING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Steinburg, Johnson, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Krawiec and Sawyer:

S.B. 305, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE SMART SCHOOL BUS SAFETY PILOT PROGRAM IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt (Primary Sponsor) and Steinburg:

S.B. 306, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE OR APPOINTEE FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF TO DISCLOSE ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS, INCLUDING ANY EXPUNGED CONVICTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt (Primary Sponsor) and Steinburg:

S.B. 307, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE UNNECESSARY DELAY OF CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT COURT BY PERMITTING THE REMOTE TESTIMONY OF CERTAIN WITNESSES USING TECHNOLOGY AND PROCEDURES THAT PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF DEFENDANTS AND ADVANCE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Jarvis (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Daniel, Edwards, Galey, B. Jackson, Krawiec, McInnis, Newton, Perry and Sawyer:

S.B. 308, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STREAMLINE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUILDING CODES AND TO PREVENT UNNECESSARY DELAY DUE TO REPETITIVE REINSPECTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Krawiec, and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 309, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REPEALING NORTH CAROLINA'S CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators McInnis, Alexander, Chaudhuri (Primary Sponsors) and Krawiec: S.B. 310, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Corbin (Primary Sponsor) and Steinburg:

S.B. 311, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Galey, Edwards (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Britt, Craven, Daniel, Hise, Johnson, Krawiec, Lee, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 312, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY, THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Perry for the **Health Care Committee**:

S.B. 173, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee.

S.B. 90, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO CONDUCT VARIOUS STUDIES AND MAKE REFORMS TO IMPROVE SOCIAL SERVICES, THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES; TO IMPROVE INTERCOUNTY COLLABORATION BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES; AND TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD WELLBEING TRANSFORMATION COUNCIL, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15145, which changes the title to read **S.B. 90** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO MAKE REFORMS TO IMPROVE SOCIAL SERVICES, THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES; TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS TO TRANSITION TO REGIONAL SUPERVISION; TO IMPROVE INTERCOUNTY COLLABORATION BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES; AND TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD WELL-BEING TRANSFORMATION COUNCIL, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 146, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY AND TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35135, which changes the title to read **S.B. 146** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY, TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER

DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, AND TO PERMIT CERTAIN DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO PRACTICE DENTAL HYGIENE AT SCHOOLS WITHOUT A LICENSED DENTIST BEING PHYSICALLY PRESENT, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 89, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATED TO SOCIAL SERVICES REFORM AND MAKE APPROPRIATIONS TO TRANSITION TO REGIONAL SUPERVISION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD WELL-BEING TRANSFORMATION COUNCIL, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 90 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO MAKE REFORMS TO IMPROVE SOCIAL SERVICES, THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES; TO APPROPRIATIONS TO TRANSITION TO REGIONAL SUPERVISION; TO **IMPROVE** INTERCOUNTY COLLABORATION DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES; AND TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION SERVICES ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD WELL-BEING TRANSFORMATION COUNCIL, referred to the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 17.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 295, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO COMMEMORATE THE SESTERCENTENNIAL OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION BY PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND PROTECTION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES IN ORDER TO PRESERVE NORTH CAROLINA'S HISTORY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 16.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 296, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA POLICY COLLABORATORY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL TO STUDY THE COASTAL AND MARINE FISHERIES REGULATED BY THE STATE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 16.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 300, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S RECORD OF ARREST PROSECUTION BACKGROUND (RAP BACK) SYSTEM FOR LAW **ENFORCEMENT** HIRING **PURPOSES:** TO **EXPAND** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURT'S COURT DATE REMINDER SYSTEM: TO DECRIMINALIZE **NON-STATUTORY** CRIMINAL OFFENSES AND VIOLATIONS; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR RIOT OFFENSES; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; AND TO MANDATE FIRST APPEARANCES FOR ALL CHARGES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY TO BE HELD WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 16.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 301, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO TWO NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," AND TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 16.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 304, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR ALAMANCE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE PURCHASE OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT FOR THE BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER OF EXCELLENCE BUILDING, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 17.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 305, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE SMART SCHOOL BUS SAFETY PILOT PROGRAM IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 17.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 255, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 53 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE STUDENT ATTENDANCE IN A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT FOR CHILDREN OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY DUE TO THE MILITARY ORDERS OF THE PARENT AND TO CLARIFY CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE DEPENDENTS OF MILITARY PERSONNEL ONCE THOSE STUDENTS ARE ADMITTED TO A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 15.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Education/Higher Education Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County, as follows:

"Dear heavenly Father, I am just so grateful for your Word and your scripture. In Ephesians 2:4, you tell us that God, being rich in mercy, and I think there is no other place in scripture where you are described as rich. You are abundant in goodness, and you are exacting in your justice, but, Lord, you are overflowing in your mercy towards us, and that's only because of your great love. So, we thank you for just pouring out your love for us and your mercy more than we deserve. We thank you that you do not cringe at the parts of us that are just unworthy but that you hold us and you just hug us even tighter. We just ask for your covering over each and every one in this room. We ask for your protection and just your continued discernment in the days ahead. In your name I pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, March 16, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Batch.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, S.R. 258 will be heard immediately following the UNC Board of Governors Election.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

The President recognizes Senator Rabon, who announces that the **Select Committee on Nominations** met on Tuesday, March 16, and voted on a slate of six candidates for the UNC Board of Governors, to be submitted to the full Senate for consideration. The candidates are as follows: Kirk J. Bradley, Jimmy D. Clark, Sonja Phillips Nichols, James Arthur Pope, Randall Clark Ramsey, and Lee H. Roberts. Senator Rabon explains the voting procedures for today's election.

The President announces that the Senate will now begin the election of members to the UNC Board of Governors.

The Sergeant-at-Arms distributes ballots to the 49 members present. Each member proceeds to vote by selecting six candidates and signing his or her ballot. When all members have completed their ballots, the ballots are collected, and Senator Rabon, Senator Clark, the Senate Principal Clerk, and staff members from the Senate Principal Clerk's Office repair outside the chamber to tally the votes.

The Senate recesses at 4:17 p.m., to reconvene at 4:30 p.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA (continued)

Senator Rabon announces that the winners of the official ballot are as follows: Kirk J. Bradley, Jimmy D. Clark, Sonja Phillips Nichols, James Arthur Pope, Randall Clark Ramsey, and Lee H. Roberts.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the winners of the official ballot are confirmed first by electronic vote (39-8) and then a second time, whereby they are confirmed *viva voce*.

The President declares the aforementioned individuals duly elected to the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina. He directs Senator Rabon to send a letter of notification to the Secretary of the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina, indicating those persons elected by the Senate. A special message is sent to the House of Representatives notifying that honorable body of such action.

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CALENDAR

Bills and a resolution on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.R. 258, A SENATE RESOLUTION ELECTING JOEL D. FORD TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the resolution is adopted (45-3).

S.B. 122, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE, upon third reading.

The bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 49, noes 0, as follows: Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---49.

Voting in the negative: None.

The bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:47 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, March 18, at 10:00 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Steinburg for the State and Local Government Committee:

S.B. 192, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REPEALING THE LOCAL ACTS ESTABLISHING THE HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND PROVIDING THAT THE CITY OF HICKORY SHALL ESTABLISH A PLANNING COMMISSION AS PROVIDED UNDER THE GENERAL LAWS OF THIS STATE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 232, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35138, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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S.B. 256, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35139, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 260, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15147, which changes the title to read **S.B. 260** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS FOR REMOTE MEETINGS OF PUBLIC BODIES DURING CERTAIN DECLARATIONS OF EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF MONROE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

March 17, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mark Robinson Lieutenant Governor 310 N. Blount Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §7A-45.1(a10), I am pleased to nominate the following individuals as Special Superior Court judges:

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- Julianna Earp to fill a vacancy created on 1/1/2021 and to be appointed for a term beginning 7/1/2021;
- Hon. Adam Conrad to be reappointed after term expiration on 12/23/2021:
- Hon. Michael Robinson to be reappointed after term expiration on 7/1/2021; and
- Hon. Mark Davis to be appointed for a term beginning 7/1/2021.

I hereby submit their names for confirmation by the General Assembly by joint resolution.

I am grateful for these individuals' willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Attached is biographical information for each judge for your review. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

Enclosures

cc: The Honorable Dan Blue Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk
The Honorable Robert Reives Mr. James White, House Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 138, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF APRIL OF EACH YEAR AS WOUNDED HEROES DAY IN HONOR OF ARMY SGT. MICHAEL VERARDO.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.J.R. 172, A JOINT RESOLUTION APPLYING TO CONGRESS FOR AN ARTICLE V CONVENTION OF THE STATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO IMPOSE TERM LIMITS ON MEMBERS OF CONGRESS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 294, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

THIRTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, March 18, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. We thank you for your mercy and love. We pray that you will guide us here today. Give us safe journeys home, those of us who are traveling. We thank you so much for all that you do every day. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Johnson announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, March 17, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Johnson, seconded by Senator Crawford, the Senate adjourns at 10:03 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, March 22, at 4:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators McInnis, Johnson, and Davis (Primary Sponsors): **S.B. 313**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DEFINING AND ESTABLISHING GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators McInnis, Johnson, and Davis (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 314, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Johnson:

S.B. 315, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING LICENSED SELF-INSURERS TO OPERATE NONFLEET MOTOR VEHICLES, ALLOWING SELF-INSURANCE TO SERVE AS PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND REMOVING THE FLEET RESTRICTION FROM SELF-INSURED RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Jarvis, Johnson, Britt (Primary Sponsors) and McInnis:

S.B. 316, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FOR PLUMBING, HEATING, FIRE SPRINKLER, AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Sanderson:

S.B. 317, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REFORM THE MANAGEMENT OF MARINE FISHERIES IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Foushee (Primary Sponsor); Batch, Lowe, Murdock, Nickel and Waddell:

S.B. 318, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF AUGUST OF EACH YEAR AS OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lowe (Primary Sponsor); Krawiec and Mayfield:

S.B. 319, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS THE AUTHORITY TO EXEMPT PROPERTY BEING DEVELOPED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING FROM SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel, Lowe, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Foushee, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 320, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REFORMING THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAWS BY INCREASING BENEFIT ELIGIBILITY TO A TWENTY-SIX WEEK PERIOD AND THE MAXIMUM WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT TO THE SUM EQUAL TO FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION, BASING THE CALCULATION OF THE BENEFIT AMOUNT ON THE HIGHEST PAID QUARTER, INCREASING BENEFITS ALLOWED FOR PARTIAL UNEMPLOYMENT, PROVIDING BENEFITS IN CASES WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL LEAVES

EMPLOYMENT FOR SPOUSAL RELOCATION OR HEALTH REASONS OR DUE TO AN UNDUE HARDSHIP, AUTHORIZING THE FORGIVENESS OF NONFRAUDULENT OVERPAYMENTS CAUSED BY AGENCY ERROR, AND ESTABLISHING A SHORT-TERM COMPENSATION PROGRAM TO BENEFIT EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 23 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWNS OF BANNER ELK AND SPENCER TO REGULATE UTILITY VEHICLES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 30, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PURPOSES OF ENGAGING IN BEACH EROSION CONTROL AND FLOOD AND HURRICANE PROTECTION WORKS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 84, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 91 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 69** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION TO UTILIZE COMMERCIAL DRIVER TRAINING SCHOOLS TO ADMINISTER ROAD TESTS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 192**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REPEALING THE LOCAL ACTS ESTABLISHING THE HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND PROVIDING THAT THE CITY OF HICKORY SHALL ESTABLISH A PLANNING COMMISSION AS PROVIDED UNDER THE GENERAL LAWS OF THIS STATE, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 232** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 256** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 260** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS FOR REMOTE MEETINGS OF PUBLIC BODIES DURING CERTAIN DECLARATIONS OF EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF MONROE, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 228, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 308, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STREAMLINE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUILDING CODES AND TO PREVENT UNNECESSARY DELAY DUE TO REPETITIVE REINSPECTIONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 17.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 314, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 18

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 317, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REFORM THE MANAGEMENT OF MARINE FISHERIES IN NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 18.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Johnson's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

THIRTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, March 22, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:00 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators McInnis, Lazzara, Edwards (Primary Sponsors); Burgin and Krawiec:

S.B. 321, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Newton, Rabon, Daniel (Primary Sponsors) and Burgin:

S.B. 322, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD EXCLUSION, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE REVENUE LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Newton (Primary Sponsor); Alexander, Ballard, Burgin, Crawford, Ford, Garrett, Harrington, Jarvis, Krawiec, Marcus, McInnis, Proctor, Salvador and Sawyer:

S.B. 323, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MONEYS DEPOSITED IN CERTAIN DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1 TO BE INVESTED THROUGH THE STATE TREASURER'S ANCILLARY GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lowe, Murdock, Nickel (Primary Sponsors); Garrett and Waddell: S.B. 324, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT A STUDENT-ATHLETE TO RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR THE USE OF HIS OR HER NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS IN RELATION TO AN ATHLETIC PROGRAM AND TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN CONDUCT IN RESPONSE TO A STUDENT-ATHLETE RECEIVING COMPENSATION OR REPRESENTATION FROM AN AGENT AND TO ESTABLISH THE STUDY COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE COMPENSATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel and Mohammed (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 325, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH JANUARY FOURTEENTH OF EACH YEAR AS TAMIL PONGAL DAY IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Daniel, Newton, Hise (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Corbin, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Perry, Sanderson and Sawyer:

S.B. 326, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS FROM ACCEPTING PRIVATE MONETARY DONATIONS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES, TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH A VOTER MUST REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AND DATE BY WHICH A MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST VOTERS NEEDING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 322, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR THE

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PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD EXCLUSION, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE REVENUE LAWS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 22.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 326, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS FROM ACCEPTING PRIVATE MONETARY DONATIONS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES, TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH A VOTER MUST REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AND DATE BY WHICH A MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST VOTERS NEEDING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 22.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Lord, we thank you that you have always known us and you still love us. Lord, I thank you for the opportunity to be here. I thank you for this body, I thank you for all the wonderful work we do for the people of the state of North Carolina. I ask you to continue to bless it. Lord, be with our governor, be with all the elected officials, Lord, and give us wisdom in every decision we make. We ask this in your Son, Jesus', name. Amen."

Senator Rabon announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, March 18, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Hise.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 192, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REPEALING THE LOCAL ACTS ESTABLISHING THE HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND PROVIDING THAT THE CITY OF HICKORY SHALL ESTABLISH A PLANNING COMMISSION AS PROVIDED UNDER THE GENERAL LAWS OF THIS STATE, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

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S.B. 260 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS FOR REMOTE MEETINGS OF PUBLIC BODIES DURING CERTAIN DECLARATIONS OF EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF MONROE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 232 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 256 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 69 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION TO UTILIZE COMMERCIAL DRIVER TRAINING SCHOOLS TO ADMINISTER ROAD TESTS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (43-6) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Murdock submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "HONORING SENATOR JEANNE HOPKINS LUCAS." Upon motion of Senator Murdock, without objection, the Senatorial Statement is spread upon the Journal. (See Appendix.)

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

March 19, 2021

The Honorable Phil Berger President *Pro Tempore* 16 W. Jones Street, Rm. 2007 Raleigh, NC 27601

The Honorable Tim Moore Speaker of the House 16 W. Jones Street, Rm. 2304 Raleigh, NC 27601

Re: Appointment of Director of the Division of Health Benefits, North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services

Dear Senator Berger and Representative Moore,

Consistent with N.C. Gen. Stat. § 143B-216.85, this letter serves as formal notice of the Governor's appointment of Mr. Dave Richard as Director of the Division of Health Benefits, North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.

I appreciate your swift confirmation of Mr. Richard's appointment, via joint resolution of your chambers as provided for in the above-referenced statute.

With regards, I am

Very truly yours, S/ Roy Cooper

Cc: The Honorable Dan Blue
The Honorable Robert Reives

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, seconded by Senator Murdock, the Senate adjourns at 7:24 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, March 23, at 9:30 a.m.

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THIRTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, March 23, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Senator Proctor announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, March 22, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Proctor, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 9:35 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, March 24, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND A RESOLUTION

Bills and a resolution filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Lee, Barnes, Galey (Primary Sponsors); Burgin, deViere, Marcus and Sawyer:

S.B. 327, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE MANDATORY REPORTING OF AQUEOUS FILM-FORMING FOAM USAGE AND INVENTORY BY NORTH CAROLINA FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND THE CREATION OF AN ONLINE PORTAL TO TRACK FOAM USAGE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Rabon (Primary Sponsor); Burgin, deViere, Lazzara and Sanderson:

S.R. 328, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF LT. GEN. WALTER GASKIN AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Jarvis, Johnson, Davis (Primary Sponsors); Burgin, Ford and Krawiec:

S.B. 329, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN SMALL PROJECTS FROM ARCHITECTURAL BUILDING CODE AND BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 330, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN RULES RELATED TO OUTDOOR ADVERTISING ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FROM BECOMING EFFECTIVE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel, Crawford, Mohammed (Primary Sponsors); Batch, deViere, Foushee, Marcus, Murdock, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 331, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE AT LEAST ONE SCHOOL NURSE IN EVERY SCHOOL IN A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT BEGINNING IN THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR AND TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO MEET THAT REQUIREMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lee:

S.B. 332, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE PLANNING OF A NEW EDUCATION FACILITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT WILMINGTON.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lee:

S.B. 333, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE RENOVATION AND EXPANSION OF THE RANDALL LIBRARY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT WILMINGTON.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator B. Jackson for the **Agriculture, Energy, and Environment** Committee:

S.B. 209, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

S.B. 211, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 224, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 148, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE VALIDITY OF IMPROVEMENT PERMITS OR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR WASTEWATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TO JANUARY 1, 2024, IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15158, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Sanderson for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 278, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM THE STATUTE RELATING TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENDITURES MADE BY SPOUSES ON JOINT PROPERTY WITH CURRENT FAMILY LAW PRACTICE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FAMILY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 255, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15159, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 301, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO TWO NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," AND TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35150, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a resolution as follows:

S.R. 328, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF LT. GEN. WALTER GASKIN AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 23.

The resolution is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Select Committee on Nominations.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 207, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35152, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSOR

Senator Corbin requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 301 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO TWO NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," AND TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN.

Pursuant to Senator Proctor's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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THIRTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, March 24, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day. We thank you for the rain you've sent our way. We pray that you will help us here today. Protect everyone here. We thank you for it. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, March 23, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 9:33 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, March 25, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Robinson, deViere (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, Mohammed, Murdock, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 334, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MINORITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO ESTABLISH THE CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Galey, Daniel, Lazzara (Primary Sponsors); Harrington, Jarvis, Johnson and Sanderson:

S.B. 335, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR DISRUPTING AN OFFICIAL MEETING OF A PUBLIC BODY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Daniel:

S.B. 336, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Newton, Daniel, Rabon (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Perry, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 337, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX AND FRANCHISE TAX.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Britt, Robinson (Primary Sponsors) and deViere:

S.B. 338, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO EXPAND THE RESEARCH CAPACITY OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA IDENTIFIED AS HISTORICALLY MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer and Britt (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 339, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING MOTOR VEHICLE DISPLAYS TO INCLUDE DEALERS' CONTACT INFORMATION. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators Perry, Britt, Craven (Primary Sponsors) and Johnson:

S.B. 340, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GARNISHMENT OF WAGES AS AN ADDITIONAL MEANS OF SATISFYING JUDGMENTS IN CIVIL ACTIONS INVOLVING UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE ACTS OR PRACTICES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin and Corbin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 341, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY AND POTENTIAL OUTCOMES OF A STATEWIDE YEAR-ROUND SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 148** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE VALIDITY OF IMPROVEMENT PERMITS OR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR WASTEWATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TO JANUARY 1, 2024, IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 207** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 224**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 278**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM THE STATUTE RELATING TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENDITURES MADE BY SPOUSES ON JOINT PROPERTY WITH CURRENT FAMILY LAW PRACTICE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FAMILY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, with a favorable report.

By Senator Lee for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

H.B. 53 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE STUDENT ATTENDANCE IN A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT FOR CHILDREN OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY DUE TO THE MILITARY ORDERS OF THE PARENT AND TO CLARIFY CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE DEPENDENTS OF MILITARY PERSONNEL ONCE THOSE STUDENTS ARE ADMITTED TO A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10183, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives March 24, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that pursuant to **H.R. 310 (Adopted)**, A HOUSE RESOLUTION ELECTING KELLIE HUNT BLUE, CAROLYN L. COWARD, N. LEO DAUGHTRY, JOHN FRALEY, REGINALD R. HOLLEY, AND WENDY MURPHY TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, the House of Representatives has elected the following six persons to serve for a four-year term:

Kellie Hunt Blue Carolyn L. Coward N. Leo Daughtry John Fraley Reginald R. Holley Wendy Murphy

> Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

> > March 24, 2021

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 321, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 22.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 332, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE PLANNING OF A NEW EDUCATION FACILITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT WILMINGTON, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 23.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 333, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE RENOVATION AND EXPANSION OF THE RANDALL LIBRARY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT WILMINGTON, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 23.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 334, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MINORITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO ESTABLISH THE CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 337, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX AND FRANCHISE TAX, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 338, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO EXPAND THE RESEARCH CAPACITY OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA IDENTIFIED AS HISTORICALLY MINORITY-SERVING INSTITUTIONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 339, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING MOTOR VEHICLE DISPLAYS TO INCLUDE DEALERS' CONTACT INFORMATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

THIRTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, March 25, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators B. Jackson, Perry, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Craven, Daniel, Davis, Galey, Jarvis, Johnson, Lazzara and Woodard:

S.B. 342, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators B. Jackson, Perry, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Johnson and Lazzara:

S.B. 343, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY CERTAIN LAWS GOVERNING THE SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Lazzara, Edwards, Barnes (Primary Sponsors) and Lee:

S.B. 344, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE NORTH CAROLINA RESTAURANT AND LODGING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION, INC., FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Lee, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Burgin and Galey:

S.B. 345, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISION ARRANGEMENT OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LICENSURE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Rabon, Burgin, Ford (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Craven, Daniel, Galey, Jarvis, Krawiec, McInnis, Newton and Perry:

S.B. 346, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFINE AND CLARIFY THE PROCESS BY WHICH AN EXECUTIVE ORDER IS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, McInnis, Edwards (Primary Sponsors); Burgin and Corbin:

S.B. 347, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO CAPTIVE INSURANCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors); Foushee, Nickel and Waddell:

S.B. 348, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A TRAIN OR LIGHT ENGINE USED IN CONNECTION WITH THE MOVEMENT OF FREIGHT FROM BEING OPERATED IN THIS STATE UNLESS IT HAS A CERTAIN NUMBER OF CREW MEMBERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Newton, Fitch (Primary Sponsors) and Foushee:

S.B. 349, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE REFORMS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ZONING STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 68, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE PROVISIONS THAT BROADLY CRIMINALIZE VIOLATIONS OF RULES OF CERTAIN LICENSING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 110 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION THRESHOLD FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES AND FARM BUILDINGS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 130, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ADDITION OF THE EAST COAST GREENWAY IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA TO THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 136, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE MUSCADINE GRAPE JUICE USAGE IN THE STATE'S LEARNING INSTITUTIONS AND TO INCLUDE MUSCADINE GRAPE JUICE PRODUCERS AND OTHER FRUIT AND FRUIT PRODUCT PRODUCERS PARTICIPATING IN THE "GOT TO BE NC" MARKETING PROGRAM AS PARTICIPANTS IN THE FARM TO SCHOOL PURCHASING PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 219 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 243 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE EFFICIENCY AND FLEXIBILITY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH TEMPORARY SALARY REDUCTIONS, EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS.

H.B. 70 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCENTIVIZE THE REHABILITATION OF HISTORIC EDUCATIONAL BUILDINGS TO ALLOW THOSE BUILDINGS TO CONTINUE TO SERVE EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 143, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF SWAIN COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 148 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE SBI TO USE A PEN REGISTER OR TRAP AND TRACE DEVICE IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 161 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADDRESS ABANDONED AND DERELICT VESSELS IN THE WATERS OF THE STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 183 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THAT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SECTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RECEIVE JUVENILE MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING ANNUALLY AND TO CLARIFY THE DUTIES OF JUVENILE COURT COUNSELORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 217 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 224, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 238, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF CREDIT CARD SKIMMING DEVICES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 356, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Johnson for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 146 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY, TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, AND TO PERMIT CERTAIN DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO PRACTICE DENTAL HYGIENE AT SCHOOLS WITHOUT A LICENSED DENTIST BEING PHYSICALLY PRESENT, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 173, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.R. 328, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF LT. GEN. WALTER GASKIN AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- H.B. 53 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE STUDENT ATTENDANCE IN A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT FOR CHILDREN OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY DUE TO THE MILITARY ORDERS OF THE PARENT AND TO CLARIFY CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE DEPENDENTS OF MILITARY PERSONNEL ONCE THOSE STUDENTS ARE ADMITTED TO A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, with a favorable report.
- S.B. 211, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, with a favorable report.

S.B. 255 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, with a favorable report.

S.B. 301 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO TWO NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," AND TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Natalie S. Murdock, Senator from Durham County, as follows:

"Gracious and loving God, we give you thanks for this new day. We pray for the dedicated people who serve this body and of those who have been elected to this body. Use our minds and hearts to further your work in us and in our Old North State. Awaken in us a focus and energy for service. Allow us to lead with justice and mercy just as mercy and justice have been shown to us in the past. We thank you for our civil liberties and freedoms, for our opportunities and our privileges. May we be just and upright in our thinking, honest in all our actions, leading with dignity, humility, and compassion. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, March 24, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Ballard, Senator Daniel, Senator Harrington, Senator Hise, and Senator Perry.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 148 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE VALIDITY OF IMPROVEMENT PERMITS OR AUTHORIZATIONS FOR WASTEWATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION TO JANUARY 1, 2024, IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (45-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

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S.B. 207 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (45-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 224, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (45-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 278, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM THE STATUTE RELATING TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENDITURES MADE BY SPOUSES ON JOINT PROPERTY WITH CURRENT FAMILY LAW PRACTICE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE FAMILY LAW SECTION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (45-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

SENATORIAL STATEMENTS

Senator Waddell submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "HONORING AND OBSERVING MARCH AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH." Upon motion of Senator Waddell, without objection, the Senatorial Statement is spread upon the Journal. (See Appendix.)

Senator Sanderson submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "HONORING PASTOR BILL WINGARD."

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Upon motion of Senator Krawiec, the words spoken by Senator Sanderson are spread upon the Journal as follows:

"Members of the Senate, all of us can think of people in our districts who are community leaders, who have risen to levels above many of our citizens, who bring many things to our communities. The senatorial statement that I would like to present today is concerning a gentleman who I think has risen to a higher level in my district. Pastor Bill Wingard was one of those men who have become an icon in District 2. Pastor Wingard was the pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in New Bern for 59 years. It's the only church he ever served; it's the only pastor that that church has ever had. He was a fine, fine gentleman. He was a patriot. He was one of the kindest men that I've ever known. He has made many trips to

Raleigh to pray for those who represent that district and to pray for other men and women in this facility. He not only pastored the church but oversaw a Christian school for 52 years in New Bern, probably one of the very first that was established there. He founded an organization in the 1970s called the Worldwide New Testament Baptist Missions Center. It still, today, serves over 100 missionary families in over 40 countries. He left behind five children, fifteen grandchildren, and nine great grandchildren. One other thing I wanted to add was that this past Sunday evening I was able to go to a congregational memorial service. And I was totally surprised to find that along with myself being there, there was the sheriff of Craven County, there was the current chairman of our county commissioners, there was the state House representative also that currently serves that district, and there was the mayor of New Bern. They were all there for that memorial service because they had all come up through that Christian school, and they were there to honor this man. So, I would just like for us to send that forth today to just honor this man who has meant so much to so many people in my district and around the world. Thank you."

[Session]

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 12:33 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, March 29, at 4:00 p.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 356, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

S.B. 191, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS THAT WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION, TO DEVELOP AND DISSEMINATE FREE INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS EXPLAINING THESE RIGHTS TO HOSPITALS, NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, HOSPICE CARE FACILITIES, ADULT CARE HOMES, SPECIAL CARE UNITS, AND CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES LICENSED UNDER CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 257, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 248, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF THE DATA AND METHODOLOGIES USED BY DENTAL SERVICES BENEFIT PLANS BY WHICH DENTISTS ARE SUBJECT TO RATING OR PROFILING SYSTEMS OR DESIGNATIONS TO ENSURE ACCURATE, FAIR, AND USEFUL RATING OF THOSE DENTISTS AND TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IDENTIFICATION CARDS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 275, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO CREDITABLE SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 276, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES RELATED TO CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LGERS) AND THE TEACHERS' STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM CLARIFYING WITHDRAWAL LIABILITIES UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; AND STANDARDIZING THE **DEFINITION** CLARIFYING "ACTUARIAL EQUIVALENT" UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; REQUIRING EMPLOYING UNITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES FOR SPECIAL SEPARATION BUYOUTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; GIVING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ADOPT

ADMINISTRATIVE FEES UNDER CERTAIN PLANS; AND CLAWING BACK DISABILITY INCOME PLAN OVERPAYMENTS UNDER THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations** of the Senate Committee on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 277, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 303, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO CREDITABLE SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 16.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 323, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MONEYS DEPOSITED IN CERTAIN DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1 TO BE INVESTED THROUGH THE STATE TREASURER'S ANCILLARY GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT PROGRAM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 22.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 73 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WAIVE CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO WAIVE CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 4.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 270, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 315, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING LICENSED SELF-INSURERS TO OPERATE NONFLEET MOTOR VEHICLES, ALLOWING SELF-INSURANCE TO SERVE AS PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND REMOVING THE FLEET RESTRICTION FROM SELF-INSURED RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 18.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 344, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE NORTH CAROLINA RESTAURANT AND LODGING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION, INC., FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 312, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY, THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY, AND THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 17.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 346, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFINE AND CLARIFY THE PROCESS BY WHICH AN EXECUTIVE ORDER IS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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S.B. 347, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO CAPTIVE INSURANCE, referred to the **Rules and Operations** of the **Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 196, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, AND (III) PROVIDE THAT IN A TAX FORECLOSURE ACTION A COMMISSIONER'S FEE SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM THE REAL PROPERTY DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE DATE OF SALE AND THE JUDGMENT CONFIRMING THE SALE AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 197, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) REMOVE THE LOCATION REQUIREMENT FOR HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS TO ALIGN NORTH CAROLINA WITH ALL OTHER STATES RECOGNIZING HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS, (II) UPDATE THE DEFINITIONS OF "TERMS OF A TRUST" AND "TRUST INSTRUMENT" AND REVISE THE ARTICLE ON POWER HOLDERS OF TRUSTS, AND (III) CLARIFY THE TRUST EXCLUSION TO THE RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 198, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 225, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADDING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF AUTRYVILLE, referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** on March 11, with sequential referrals to the **Finance Committee** and the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The bill is withdrawn from the **State and Local Government Committee** and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

THIRTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, March 29, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:01 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Crawford, Daniel, Foushee, Garrett, Jarvis, Johnson, Lee, Marcus, Murdock, Sanderson and Sawyer:

S.B. 350, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATIONS WAIVER SLOTS, TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH BENEFITS, THE FLEXIBILITY TO DEVELOP AN ADDITIONAL SYSTEM OF SERVING INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL OR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WHO ARE ON THE REGISTRY OF UNMET NEEDS, AND TO REQUIRE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TEN-YEAR PLAN TO ADDRESS THE REGISTRY OF UNMET NEEDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Johnson, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); deViere and Lowe:

S.B. 351, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES SYSTEM OFFICE FOR THE BE PROBE PROUD NORTH CAROLINA PILOT PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere and Clark (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 352, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., PARK.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lazzara, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Daniel, Jarvis, McInnis, Perry and Sawyer:

S.B. 353, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH JUDICIALLY MANAGED ACCOUNTABILITY AND RECOVERY COURTS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA TO PROVIDE CASE MANAGEMENT AND CONTINUITY OF CARE FOR THOSE ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR AN ONSLOW COUNTY JUDICIALLY MANAGED ACCOUNTABILITY AND RECOVERY COURT PILOT PROGRAM FOCUSED ON VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Ballard, Lazzara (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Corbin, deViere and Mayfield:

S.B. 354, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE THE USE OF PROCEEDS FROM THE DEED STAMP EXCISE TAX TO THE ORIGINAL PURPOSE OF LAND CONSERVATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sanderson, Rabon, Krawiec (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Corbin, Edwards, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, McInnis, Newton, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 355, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PERSONNEL HIRING, FIRING, AND PERFORMANCE RECORDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec (Primary Sponsors) and Jarvis:

S.B. 356, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE PERMANENCY INNOVATION INITIATIVE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Craven, Alexander (Primary Sponsors); Corbin, Perry and Sawyer:

S.B. 357, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE HELPING CONSUMERS IN CRISIS ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Johnson, Lazzara, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Mayfield and Salvador:

S.B. 358, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADVANCE BUILDING RESILIENCY AND UTILITY EFFICIENCY IN NORTH CAROLINA BY AUTHORIZING A STATEWIDE PROGRAM TO UTILIZE ASSESSMENTS TO REPAY NONPUBLIC FINANCING OF COMMERCIAL BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS THAT WILL PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, REDUCE UTILITY BILL COSTS, AND HARDEN COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AGAINST STORM AND FLOOD DAMAGE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel, Foushee, Robinson (Primary Sponsors); Batch, J. Jackson, Lowe, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 359, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THAT EVERY KINDERGARTEN THROUGH SECOND GRADE CLASSROOM HAS A FULL-TIME TEACHER ASSISTANT AND EVERY THREE THIRD GRADE CLASSROOMS HAS A FULL-TIME TEACHER ASSISTANT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Daniel, Newton (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Britt, Edwards, Galey, Harrington, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lee, McInnis, Perry, Sanderson and Sawyer:

S.B. 360, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE JOINT APPROVAL FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE BEFORE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY ENTER INTO A CONSENT JUDGMENT OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN A DISPUTE, CLAIM, OR CONTROVERSY IN WHICH THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE HAVE INTERVENED OR ARE OTHERWISE NAMED PARTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lazzara, Perry, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Johnson, Lee and Marcus:

S.B. 361, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFERS TO OTHER SHELTERS OR ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS AS A PERMISSIBLE DISPOSITION OF LOST OR SURRENDERED ANIMALS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson (Primary Sponsor); Corbin, Perry and Sawyer:

S.B. 362, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE AN "INDEPENDENT INSURANCE AGENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA" SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE.

By Senators McInnis, Perry, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Corbin, deViere, Johnson, Krawiec, Lowe, Mayfield, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador, Sawyer, Steinburg and Waddell:

S.B. 363, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE UNIFORM PARTITION OF HEIRS PROPERTY ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard, Batch, Clark (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, deViere, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel and Salvador:

S.B. 364, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION AT DRIVERS LICENSE OFFICES, PUBLIC AGENCIES, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO IMPLEMENT AN OUTREACH CAMPAIGN INFORMING CITIZENS ABOUT AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Alexander, Perry, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Daniel, Edwards, Krawiec, Lee, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 365, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MEETING SPACES, MEETING OR RECEPTION VENUES, AND ENTERTAINMENT FACILITIES, FOR RECEPTIONS OR PARTIES, TO RESUME OPERATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 36 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISCHARGING OR ATTEMPTING TO DISCHARGE A FIREARM AT OR INTO AN UNOCCUPIED EMERGENCY VEHICLE AND TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR POINTING A LASER DEVICE AT A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR OTHER EMERGENCY PERSONNEL WHEN THE PERSON OR ANIMAL IS IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS OR HER DUTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 94 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE GRAHAM COUNTY DISTRICT G AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF AN OCCUPANCY TAX IN THE DISTRICT.

H.B. 132 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE REVISIONS TO THE JUVENILE CODE PURSUANT TO RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 164 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ROCKWELL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 205 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH INFORMATION AND RESOURCES ON CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT, INCLUDING SEXUAL ABUSE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 271, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROHIBIT CONDEMNATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY EXCEPT FOR A PUBLIC USE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF JUST COMPENSATION WITH RIGHT OF TRIAL BY JURY IN ALL CONDEMNATION CASES, AND TO MAKE SIMILAR STATUTORY CHANGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 320 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MEETINGS BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT ALL BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY UNLESS PROHIBITED IN THEIR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A select committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Select Committee on Nominations:

H.B. 356, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, with a favorable report.

S.R. 328, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF LT. GEN. WALTER GASKIN AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Lord, we thank you that you are risen, and as we celebrate Easter you just keep that on our mind. Lord, we just want to tell you how much we appreciate your love for us and the salvation that we can experience through your Son, Jesus. We ask you to bless this body, bless everything we do. And we ask this in your Son, Jesus', name. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, March 25, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Daniel, Senator Hise, Senator Lowe, Senator Nickel, and Senator Salvador.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 211, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (32-13) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 301 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO TWO NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," AND TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR

PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, March 30.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 255 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (45-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 53 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE STUDENT ATTENDANCE IN A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT FOR CHILDREN OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY DUE TO THE MILITARY ORDERS OF THE PARENT AND TO CLARIFY CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE DEPENDENTS OF MILITARY PERSONNEL ONCE THOSE STUDENTS ARE ADMITTED TO A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (45-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Britt, the Senate adjourns at 7:20 p.m., in honor and in memory of Vietnam veterans, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, March 30, at 9:30 a.m.

THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, March 30, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators deViere, Clark (Primary Sponsors) and Mohammed:

S.B. 366, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CAPE FEAR REGIONAL THEATRE IN CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lee:

S.B. 367, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OR CONSTRUCTION AND THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Ford, Steinburg, and Lazzara (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 368, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE UNIFORM REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER ON DEATH ACT AND TO ALLOW FOR THE DESIGNATION OF A BENEFICIARY ON VEHICULAR CERTIFICATES OF TITLE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett, Woodard, Murdock (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mayfield, Mohammed, Nickel, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 369, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE THE STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION DAY AN OFFICIAL STATE HOLIDAY AND TO AMEND THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT TO MAKE THAT DAY A PAID HOLIDAY FOR STATE EMPLOYEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus, Sawyer, Mohammed (Primary Sponsors) and Waddell: S.B. 370, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLEAR ROADBLOCKS TO I-77 TOLL RELIEF.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Perry, and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 371, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESUME FUNDING FOR THE ADULT AND PEDIATRIC TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY PILOT PROGRAM.

By Senators McInnis, Jarvis, and Galey (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 372, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE CLASSIFICATIONS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING LICENSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard, Perry, Corbin (Primary Sponsors) and Marcus:

S.B. 373, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE VOLUNTARY HEALTH CARE SERVICES ACT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL LICENSEES CAPABLE OF RENDERING HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN THIS STATE THROUGH THE VOLUNTEER HEALTH CARE SERVICES ACT, TO INCLUDE TELEHEALTH AS A HEALTH CARE SERVICE, AND TO CLARIFY WHAT BENEFITS CONSTITUTE COMPENSATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Jarvis, Ford, Perry (Primary Sponsors) and Craven:

S.B. 374, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF BLUE LIGHTS ON FIRE APPARATUS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec and Sanderson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 375, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS AND CERTIFIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONALS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Foushee, Corbin (Primary Sponsors); deViere and Sawyer:

S.B. 376, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE THE ORIGINAL REVENUE DISTRIBUTION STRUCTURE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATION LOTTERY AND TO ALLOW FUNDS IN THE NEEDS-BASED PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL FUND TO BE USED FOR REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS AND FOR THE RETIREMENT OF DEBT ASSOCIATED WITH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, Sanderson (Primary Sponsors); Corbin, Edwards, Ford, Jarvis and Sawyer:

S.B. 377, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CODIFY THE COMMON LAW REQUIREMENT FOR UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO QUALIFY AS A JUROR, TO ALLOW A CLERK OF COURT TO HEAR JURY EXCUSES IF SO DESIGNATED BY THE CHIEF DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PERSONS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED FROM JURY DUTY BASED ON DISQUALIFICATION SHALL BE SHARED WITH THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS IF THE DISQUALIFICATION IS DUE TO UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP.

By Senators B. Jackson, Edwards, Sanderson (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Corbin, Craven, Ford, Galey, Jarvis, Lee, Newton and Perry:

S.B. 378, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROHIBIT CONDEMNATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY EXCEPT FOR A PUBLIC USE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF JUST COMPENSATION WITH RIGHT OF TRIAL BY JURY IN ALL CONDEMNATION CASES, AND TO MAKE SIMILAR STATUTORY CHANGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators B. Jackson and McInnis (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 379, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE AN UNREGISTERABLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, deViere, Krawiec (Primary Sponsors); Ballard, Burgin, Corbin, Johnson, Lee, Murdock, Sanderson, Sawyer and Waddell:

S.B. 380, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE LICENSURE OF THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Steinburg, Krawiec (Primary Sponsors); Ballard, Batch, Britt, Burgin, Crawford, deViere, Galey, Johnson, Lazzara, Newton, Sanderson and Sawyer:

S.B. 381, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING LAW PROBATION/PAROLE, ENFORCEMENT, AND CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WHO HOLD AN ADVANCED LAW ENFORCEMENT OR CORRECTIONS CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS **COMMISSION** OR THE **ADVANCED** LAW **ENFORCEMENT** CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION TO PURCHASE AT FULL COST UP TO FOUR YEARS' CREDITABLE SERVICE IN THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL OR EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Waddell:

S.B. 382, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR LIFETIME LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS.

By Senators Waddell, Mohammed (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, deViere, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Murdock, Nickel and Salvador:

S.B. 383, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE LONGEVITY PAYMENTS FOR EDUCATORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators McInnis, Sawyer, and Britt (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 384, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPROVE CUSTOMER SERVICE WHEN RENEWING VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS BY STREAMLINING THE COLLECTION OF OVERDUE TOLLS AND OTHER OVERDUE AMOUNTS THAT MUST BE PAID BEFORE A VEHICLE'S REGISTRATION IS RENEWED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators McInnis, Sawyer, and Britt (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 385, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADJUST THE PER TRANSACTION RATES FOR CERTAIN VEHICLE REGISTRATION SERVICES AND PROVIDE FOR COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND LICENSE PLATE AGENTS WHEN DETERMINING COMPENSATION FOR TASKS NOT SUBJECT TO THE PER TRANSACTION RATES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Garrett, Murdock (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 386, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND WORKFORCE HOUSING BY PROVIDING CURRENT AND ONGOING FUNDING FOR THE HOUSING TRUST FUND.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Berger, Ballard, Lee (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Burgin, Corbin, Edwards, Galey, Jarvis, Johnson, Lazzara, Newton, Rabon and Sanderson:

S.B. 387, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA READ TO ACHIEVE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO ATTAIN STATEWIDE READING PROFICIENCY BY THE THIRD GRADE.

Referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators Sawyer and B. Jackson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 388, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE EXEMPTION FOR FARMERS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN SALES BY A QUALIFYING FARMER FOR A ZOO.

By Senators B. Jackson, Sanderson, Edwards (Primary Sponsors); Burgin and Woodard:

S.B. 389, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NATURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND CULTURAL RESOURCES LAWS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

S.B. 146 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY, TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, AND TO PERMIT CERTAIN DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO PRACTICE DENTAL HYGIENE AT SCHOOLS WITHOUT A LICENSED DENTIST BEING PHYSICALLY PRESENT, with a favorable report.

S.B. 173, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, with a favorable report.

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 196, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, AND (III) PROVIDE THAT IN A TAX FORECLOSURE ACTION A COMMISSIONER'S FEE SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM THE REAL PROPERTY DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE DATE OF SALE AND THE JUDGMENT CONFIRMING THE SALE AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 197, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) REMOVE THE LOCATION REQUIREMENT FOR HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS TO ALIGN NORTH CAROLINA WITH ALL OTHER STATES RECOGNIZING HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS, (II) UPDATE THE DEFINITIONS OF "TERMS OF A TRUST" AND "TRUST INSTRUMENT" AND REVISE THE ARTICLE ON

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POWER HOLDERS OF TRUSTS, AND (III) CLARIFY THE TRUST EXCLUSION TO THE RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 198, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 321, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Sanderson for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:

S.B. 279, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW BERN AND THE TOWNS OF BRIDGETON, ORIENTAL, AND TRENT WOODS TO REGULATE NAVIGABLE WATERS WITHIN THEIR CORPORATE LIMITS AND EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 296, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA POLICY COLLABORATORY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL TO STUDY THE COASTAL AND MARINE FISHERIES REGULATED BY THE STATE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15188, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 308, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STREAMLINE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUILDING CODES AND TO PREVENT UNNECESSARY DELAY DUE TO REPETITIVE REINSPECTIONS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15187, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 317, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REFORM THE MANAGEMENT OF MARINE FISHERIES IN NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15189, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 212, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BENNETT COLLEGE FOR THE NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 10.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Education/Higher Education Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Our God and our Father, we thank thee and we love thee. We thank thee for the opportunity to serve in so many beautiful and varied capacities. We thank thee for the opportunity to serve the Old North State. Now we ask that you'd give us strength, that you'd give us courage, that you'd continue to be with us as we deliberate on behalf of those that may not be able to speak for themselves. These things we pray in your Son, Jesus the Christ. And all of the people said, 'Amen." Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, March 29, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Daniel and Senator Hise.

CALENDAR

Bills and resolutions on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 301 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO TWO NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," AND TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, upon second reading.

Senator Britt offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 356, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.R. 328, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF LT. GEN. WALTER GASKIN AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, for adoption.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0) and changes the title to read, **S.R. 328**, A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING LT. GEN. WALTER GASKIN AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the resolution, as amended, is adopted (48-0), and the amendment is ordered engrossed.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 114 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE 2021 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the House Committee Substitute bill is placed on today's calendar for immediate consideration.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 114 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE 2021 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Edwards, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (48-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the bill is sent to the Governor by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Sanderson, the Senate adjourns at 4:58 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, March 31, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Ballard for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 387, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA READ TO ACHIEVE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO ATTAIN STATEWIDE READING PROFICIENCY BY THE THIRD GRADE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

March 30, 2021

S.B. 114, AN ACT TO PROVIDE 2021 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSORS

Senator Corbin requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 321, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT.

Senator Nickel requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 344, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE NORTH CAROLINA RESTAURANT AND LODGING ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION, INC., FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 114, AN ACT TO PROVIDE 2021 COVID-19 RELIEF MEASURES FOR EMPLOYERS AND CLAIMANTS UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SYSTEM, TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2021, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES REQUESTED BY THE DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, March 30, 2021 - S.L. 2021-5)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, March 31, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND A RESOLUTION

Bills and a resolution filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Lee, Ballard, Craven (Primary Sponsors) and Steinburg:

S.B. 390, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ENROLL IN AS MANY COURSES PER YEAR AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Corbin and Steinburg: **S.B. 391**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus, Chaudhuri, Murdock (Primary Sponsors); Foushee, J. Jackson, Lowe, Mayfield, Mohammed, Nickel, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 392, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF MINORS AND ADULTS WHO HAVE DISABILITIES FROM ATTEMPTS TO CHANGE SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock, Marcus, Waddell (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Foushee and Woodard:

S.B. 393, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO CONDUCT A STATEWIDE ANALYSIS OF DOULA SUPPORT SERVICES, TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS TO PROMOTE THE AVAILABILITY OF DOULA SUPPORT SERVICES, AND TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR DOULA SERVICES UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM STATE PLAN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Robinson, Lowe, Clark (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mohammed, Murdock, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 394, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA DESIGNATED AS HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Edwards, Sawyer, and McInnis (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 395, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INTERNAL AUDIT FUNCTION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND ALL STATE AGENCIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM EVALUATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock, Marcus, Nickel (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, Foushee, J. Jackson, Lowe, Mayfield, Mohammed, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 396, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT ALL NORTH CAROLINIANS AGAINST DISCRIMINATION IN ALL WALKS OF LIFE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Rabon (Primary Sponsor); Burgin and Lowe:

S.R. 397, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF MACHELLE SANDERS AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lee:

S.B. 398, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INDEMNIFY THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND THE WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR MAP ACT DAMAGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Batch, Crawford, deViere (Primary Sponsors); J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 399, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE ASSOCIATION HEALTH PLANS TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR ESSENTIAL HEALTH BENEFITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Waddell, Chaudhuri (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, deViere, Foushee, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Nickel and Salvador:

S.B. 400, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO PROVISIONS OF LAW RELATED TO THE COMPENSATION OF EDUCATORS, TO RESTORE CERTAIN RETIREE MEDICAL BENEFITS, AND TO EXPAND THE TEACHING FELLOWS PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Sawyer, Ballard (Primary Sponsors) and Hise:

S.B. 401, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA COLLABORATORY AND TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR ITS OPERATION.

By Senators Robinson, Clark (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Crawford, Davis, Fitch, Foushee, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 402, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND MEDICAID TO QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS IN THE MEDICAID COVERAGE GAP.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard, Barnes, Murdock (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Crawford, deViere, Lowe and Nickel:

S.B. 403, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ADDITION OF THE EAST COAST GREENWAY IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA TO THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Barnes, Galey (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Burgin, Daniel, Ford, Jarvis, Johnson, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 404, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THAT PHYSICIANS WHO PERFORM DRUG-INDUCED ABORTIONS FURNISH PATIENTS WITH CERTAIN WRITTEN INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF REVERSING THE EFFECTS OF A DRUG-INDUCED ABORTION AFTER THE FIRST DOSE OF MEDICATION IS ADMINISTERED, REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO DISTRIBUTE CERTAIN WRITTEN MATERIALS TO EVERY PHYSICIAN WHO PERFORMS DRUG-INDUCED ABORTIONS, AND PROVIDING CIVIL REMEDIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF G.S. 14-45.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Barnes, Galey (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Ballard, Burgin, Daniel, Ford, Hise, Jarvis, Johnson, McInnis, Newton, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 405, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Sawyer, Corbin (Primary Sponsors); Alexander and Johnson:

S.B. 406, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN LOCAL EDUCATION FUNDING BY MODIFYING THE UNIFORM BUDGET FORMAT TO INCLUDE INFORMATION ON EXPENDITURES FROM LOCAL FUNDS BY PROGRAM REPORT CODE AND OBJECT CODE, REQUIRING THE SUPERINTENDENT TO DESCRIBE PROJECTED EXPENDITURES FROM LOCAL FUNDS BY PROGRAM REPORT CODE AND OBJECT CODE, PERMITTING LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO SUBMIT TO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROJECTED EXPENDITURES FROM

LOCAL FUNDS BY PROGRAM REPORT CODE AND OBJECT CODE, PERMITTING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ALLOCATE LOCAL FUNDS BY PROGRAM REPORT CODE, REQUIRING THE ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS OF A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO INCLUDE A COMPARISON OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM REPORT CODE AND OBJECT CODE, REQUIRING THE ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO BE FILED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS OF ITS COMPLETION, AND REQUIRING A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO REPORT THE RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION WITHIN SIXTY DAYS OF ITS COMPLETION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, Perry (Primary Sponsors) and Johnson:

S.B. 407, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING A COMPACT TO AWARD PRIZES FOR CURING DISEASES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Johnson and Sawyer: **S.B. 408**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD ETHICS (SAFE) ACT OF 2021.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel, Mayfield, Murdock (Primary Sponsors) and Marcus:

S.B. 409, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A DEFENSE TO HOMICIDE OR ASSAULT BASED ON THE DISCOVERY OF, PERCEPTION OF, OR BELIEF ABOUT ANOTHER PERSON'S SEX, GENDER, GENDER IDENTITY, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Galey, Perry, Lazzara (Primary Sponsors) and Mayfield:

S.B. 410, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY AND HOLD REMOTE MEETINGS, EXCEPT AS LIMITED BY THE NONPROFIT, TO MAKE CHANGES RELATED TO REMOTE MEETINGS FOR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS AND HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATIONS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford, Mohammed, Lowe (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield and Waddell:

S.B. 411, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICE TRANSPARENCY.

By Senators Crawford, deViere, Garrett (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Chaudhuri, Foushee, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Salvador and Waddell:

S.B. 412, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE HOURLY RATE OF THE MINIMUM SALARY FOR NONCERTIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES TO BE AT LEAST FIFTEEN DOLLARS PER HOUR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Crawford:

S.B. 413, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF AN EXISTING WAREHOUSE THAT WILL SUPPORT MAIN STREET REVITALIZATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Sanderson, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Alexander and Johnson:

S.B. 414, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADOPT THE COMPACT FOR A BALANCED BUDGET.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Krawiec, Burgin (Primary Sponsors) and Steinburg:

S.B. 415, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GREATER TRANSPARENCY IN HEALTH CARE SERVICES BILLING AND TO REDUCE BILLING THAT COMES AS A SURPRISE TO THE PATIENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 156 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION AND TO EXTEND DMV EMERGENCY RULE AUTHORITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 157 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DEFINING AND ESTABLISHING GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS.

H.B. 190, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- H.B. 203, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR CERTIFICATION OF POLICE TELECOMMUNICATORS. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- **H.B. 270**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE REDESIGNATION OF FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY AS ANY OTHER NAME AS A CONSTITUENT INSTITUTION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS AND A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon orders the following bills and a resolution withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.R. 397, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF MACHELLE SANDERS AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The resolution is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Select Committee on Nominations.

S.B. 350, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATIONS WAIVER SLOTS, TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH BENEFITS, THE FLEXIBILITY TO DEVELOP AN ADDITIONAL SYSTEM OF SERVING INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL OR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WHO ARE ON THE REGISTRY OF UNMET NEEDS, AND TO REQUIRE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TEN-YEAR PLAN TO ADDRESS THE REGISTRY OF UNMET NEEDS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 351, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES SYSTEM OFFICE FOR THE BE PRO BE PROUD NORTH CAROLINA PILOT PROGRAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 352, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., PARK, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 354, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE THE USE OF PROCEEDS FROM THE DEED STAMP EXCISE TAX TO THE ORIGINAL PURPOSE OF LAND CONSERVATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 355, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PERSONNEL HIRING, FIRING, AND PERFORMANCE RECORDS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 356, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE PERMANENCY INNOVATION INITIATIVE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 360, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE JOINT APPROVAL FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE BEFORE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY ENTER INTO A CONSENT JUDGMENT OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN A DISPUTE, CLAIM, OR CONTROVERSY IN WHICH THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE HAVE INTERVENED OR ARE OTHERWISE NAMED PARTIES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 361, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFERS TO OTHER SHELTERS OR ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS AS A PERMISSIBLE DISPOSITION OF LOST OR SURRENDERED ANIMALS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 366, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR CAPE FEAR REGIONAL THEATRE IN CUMBERLAND COUNTY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 368, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE UNIFORM REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER ON DEATH ACT AND TO ALLOW FOR THE DESIGNATION OF A BENEFICIARY ON VEHICULAR CERTIFICATES OF TITLE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 196**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, AND (III) PROVIDE THAT IN A TAX FORECLOSURE ACTION A COMMISSIONER'S FEE SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM THE REAL PROPERTY DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE DATE OF SALE AND THE JUDGMENT CONFIRMING THE SALE AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 197**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) REMOVE THE LOCATION REQUIREMENT FOR HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS TO ALIGN NORTH CAROLINA WITH ALL OTHER STATES RECOGNIZING

- HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS, (II) UPDATE THE DEFINITIONS OF "TERMS OF A TRUST" AND "TRUST INSTRUMENT" AND REVISE THE ARTICLE ON POWER HOLDERS OF TRUSTS, AND (III) CLARIFY THE TRUST EXCLUSION TO THE RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 198**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 279**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW BERN AND THE TOWNS OF BRIDGETON, ORIENTAL, AND TRENT WOODS TO REGULATE NAVIGABLE WATERS WITHIN THEIR CORPORATE LIMITS AND EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 296** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA POLICY COLLABORATORY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL TO STUDY THE COASTAL AND MARINE FISHERIES REGULATED BY THE STATE, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 308** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STREAMLINE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUILDING CODES AND TO PREVENT UNNECESSARY DELAY DUE TO REPETITIVE REINSPECTIONS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 317** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REFORM THE MANAGEMENT OF MARINE FISHERIES IN NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 321**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 387**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA READ TO ACHIEVE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO ATTAIN STATEWIDE READING PROFICIENCY BY THE THIRD GRADE, with a favorable report.

By Senator Hise for the **Redistricting and Elections Committee**:

S.B. 194, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REESTABLISH STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 51, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF TRENT WOODS SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED IN 2019 BY ONE YEAR, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35197, which changes the title to read **S.B. 51** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWNS OF RIVER BEND AND TRENT WOODS SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED IN 2019 BY ONE YEAR, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 269, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN FILLING VACANCIES ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF DURHAM, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35198, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Lee for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 212, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BENNETT COLLEGE FOR THE NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Kevin Corbin, Senator from Macon County, as follows:

"Almighty God, ruler of all the peoples of the earth, forgive our shortcomings as a state; purify our hearts to see and love the truth; give wisdom to our leaders and steadfastness to our people; and bring us at last to that fair city of peace, whose foundations are mercy, justice, and goodwill, of which you are the designer and builder.* Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen."

Adapted from "A Prayer for our Nation" by President Woodrow Wilson

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, March 30, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Blue and Senator Daniel.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 356, AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 387, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA READ TO ACHIEVE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO ATTAIN STATEWIDE READING PROFICIENCY BY THE THIRD GRADE.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the bill is placed on today's calendar for immediate consideration.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 387, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA READ TO ACHIEVE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO ATTAIN STATEWIDE READING PROFICIENCY BY THE THIRD GRADE, upon second reading.

Senator Berger offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

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The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the bill is sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 146 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY, TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, AND TO PERMIT CERTAIN DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO PRACTICE DENTAL HYGIENE AT SCHOOLS WITHOUT A LICENSED DENTIST BEING PHYSICALLY PRESENT, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 173, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 5:01 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, April 1, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Lee for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

H.B. 82 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS AND TO REQUIRE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF INNOVATIVE BENCHMARK ASSESSMENTS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40295, which changes the title to read **H.B. 82** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee**.

By Senator Alexander for the State and Local Government Committee:

S.B. 233, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAWS PERTAINING TO HUNTING AND TRAPPING IN CUMBERLAND, HARNETT, RANDOLPH, AND GUILFORD COUNTIES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35201, which changes the title to read **S.B. 233** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE LIST OF COUNTIES THAT HAVE AN OPEN SEASON FOR TAKING FOXES AND COYOTES DURING CERTAIN ANNUAL TRAPPING SEASONS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 294, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35200, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 156 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION AND TO EXTEND DMV EMERGENCY RULE AUTHORITY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 31.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 183, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING

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AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE COURTS COMMISSION TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 356, AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE. (Became law upon ratification, March 31, 2021 - S.L. 2021-6)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

THIRTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, April 1, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Mohammed, Batch, deViere (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, Clark, Crawford, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard:

S.B. 416, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THE FAIR ASSESSMENT OF PERSONS WITH CRIMINAL HISTORIES BY "BANNING THE BOX" AND PROVIDING THAT HAVING A PHYSICAL ADDRESS IS NOT A REQUIREMENT FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Galey (Primary Sponsors) and Blue:

S.B. 417, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO SET THE MAXIMUM FEE THAT THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR MAY REQUIRE FOR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP, TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE LATE FEE, TO REQUIRE MEMBERS TO PROVIDE A CORRECT EMAIL ADDRESS TO THE STATE BAR, AND TO CODIFY THE EXEMPTION FOR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY MEMBERS FROM ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Ballard, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Craven, Garrett, Hise, Mohammed, Perry, Robinson and Sawyer:

S.B. 418, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT AT LEAST ONE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTION DESIGNATED AS A HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY AND AT LEAST ONE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTION DESIGNATED AS A HISTORICALLY AMERICAN INDIAN UNIVERSITY BE INCLUDED IN THE NORTH CAROLINA TEACHING FELLOWS PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Blue (Primary Sponsor); Foushee, Mohammed, Murdock, Robinson and Waddell:

S.B. 419, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER PROJECTS AT NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Sawyer, and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 420, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE EMPLOY OF A LICENSED BUSINESS ENTITY TO ACT AS INSURANCE BROKERS WITHOUT A BROKER'S LICENSE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Craven, Woodard, Barnes (Primary Sponsors) and Waddell:

S.B. 421, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR RECENT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA.

By Senator Sanderson:

S.B. 422, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING THE LAWS RELATING TO THE POWERS, DUTIES, EMPLOYEES, AND EXPENDITURES OF THE TRYON PALACE COMMISSION, AUTHORIZING THE TRYON PALACE COMMISSION TO USE THIRD-PARTY ONLINE TICKET SALE SERVICES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO PAY INITIAL THIRD-PARTY CONTRACTOR FEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Corbin, Davis (Primary Sponsors) and Waddell:

S.B. 423, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO PROGRAMS AND PROCEDURES WITHIN THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM EVALUATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Daniel (Primary Sponsor) and Britt:

S.B. 424, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD AND THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROFESSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard, Perry, and Johnson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 425, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS AND TO CREATE AN ARTICLE GOVERNING VEHICLE VALUE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield, Salvador, Murdock (Primary Sponsors); Foushee and Robinson:

S.B. 426, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO ENACT ORDINANCES FOR INCLUSIONARY ZONING AND AN IN-LIEU FEE REQUIREMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPLEMENT THE AVAILABILITY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 427, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE DISCHARGE OF DISCRIMINATORY COVENANTS IN THE CHAIN OF TITLE FOR REAL PROPERTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield and Woodard (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 428, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AUTONOMY OVER BUILDING AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS.

By Senators Galey and Edwards (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 429, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, AND CERTAIN STATUTES AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Clark, and Johnson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 430, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR A REGIONAL FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING CENTER ON THE CAMPUS OF FAYETTEVILLE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Edwards:

S.B. 431, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PERMANENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDERS THAT SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR THE LIFETIME OF THE PERSON SUBJECT TO THE ORDER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards (Primary Sponsor) and Craven:

S.B. 432, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE PUBLIC RECORDS LAWS AND OPEN MEETINGS LAWS REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO A NONPROFIT CORPORATION WITH WHICH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE CONTRACTS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry (Primary Sponsor); Barnes, Johnson and Sawyer:

S.B. 433, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF ANOTHER PERSON'S NAME OR PERSONA WITHOUT THE PERSON'S CONSENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF HARMING, DEFRAUDING, INTIMIDATING, OR THREATENING THE PERSON.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry (Primary Sponsor); Britt, Craven, Newton and Sawyer:

S.B. 434, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA TROOPERS ASSOCIATION CAISSON UNIT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards (Primary Sponsor); Burgin and Hise:

S.B. 435, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE NOTICE FOR EXPIRATIONS AND TERMINATIONS OF LOCAL PROHIBITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, AND STATES OF EMERGENCY.

By Senators Mayfield, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Marcus and Murdock: **S.B. 436**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING COUNTIES AND CITIES TO ADOPT ORDINANCES PROVIDING STANDARDS FOR THE PRESERVATION OR REPLACEMENT OF TREES. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators Mayfield, Bazemore (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock:

S.B. 437, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING COUNTIES AND CITIES TO IMPOSE IMPACT FEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield, Murdock, Nickel (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, deViere, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mohammed, Salvador and Woodard:

S.B. 438, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPEAL HOUSE BILL 2 IN ITS ENTIRETY BY REPEALING ARTICLE 81A OF CHAPTER 143 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Chaudhuri, Foushee, Mohammed (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Garrett, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Murdock and Salvador:

S.B. 439, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE SCOPE AND PUNISHMENT OF HATE CRIMES; TO REQUIRE THE STATE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN A HATE CRIMES STATISTICS DATABASE; TO REQUIRE THE NORTH CAROLINA JUSTICE ACADEMY TO DEVELOP AND PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WITH TRAINING ON IDENTIFYING, RESPONDING TO, AND REPORTING HATE CRIMES; AND TO REQUIRE THE CONFERENCE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OF NORTH CAROLINA TO DEVELOP AND PROVIDE TRAINING TO PROSECUTORS ON HOW TO PROSECUTE HATE CRIMES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Mayfield and Woodard:

S.B. 440, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FUNDRAISING EVENTS BY NONPROFITS FROM SALES TAX.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Foushee, Lowe, Mayfield, Salvador and Woodard:

S.B. 441, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN NONPROFIT ENTITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 442, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE FOR HYPERBARIC OXYGEN THERAPY TREATMENT FOR NORTH CAROLINA VETERANS SUFFERING FROM TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (TBI) AND POSTTRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER (PTSD).

By Senators Batch, Salvador, deViere (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock and Robinson:

S.B. 443, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM HARMFUL TOXINS IN DRINKING WATER BY REQUIRING THE COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TO ESTABLISH MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVELS FOR CHEMICALS THAT ARE PROBABLE OR KNOWN CARCINOGENS OR ARE OTHERWISE TOXIC.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield, Murdock, Salvador (Primary Sponsors) and Mohammed: **S.B. 444**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD CIRCUIT BREAKER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Marcus, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Mayfield and Murdock:

S.B. 445, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WAIVE THE REQUIRED ONE-YEAR PERIOD OF SEPARATION FOR ABSOLUTE DIVORCE WHEN A PERSON IN THE MARRIAGE IS A VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR AN AWARENESS CAMPAIGN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Foushee, Robinson (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock: **S.B. 446**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA TO END WAGE THEFT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Murdock, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors); Foushee and Robinson:

S.B. 447, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT INCREASING THE STATE'S MINIMUM WAGE TO FIFTEEN DOLLARS PER HOUR OVER FIVE YEARS, THEN ANNUALLY ADJUSTING THE MINIMUM WAGE AUTOMATICALLY BY INCREASES IN THE COST OF LIVING; ENDING THE SUBMINIMUM WAGE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES; AMENDING THE SUBMINIMUM WAGE FOR TIPPED WORKERS; AND ENDING THE EXEMPTION FOR DOMESTIC WORKERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 2, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE BOTTLENOSE DOLPHIN AS THE STATE MARINE MAMMAL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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H.B. 18 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE CERTAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO CASH MANAGEMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 46, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 220 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 229, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 264 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY, TO CLARIFY THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS, AND TO CLARIFY STATEWIDE QUARANTINES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 287, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF RANDLEMAN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 296 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE PARKING IN AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Krawiec for the Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee:

H.B. 82 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 156 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION AND TO EXTEND DMV EMERGENCY RULE AUTHORITY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

S.B. 323, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MONEYS DEPOSITED IN CERTAIN DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1 TO BE INVESTED THROUGH THE STATE TREASURER'S ANCILLARY GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT PROGRAM, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 159, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35215, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 82 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 121 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 8.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 243 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE EFFICIENCY AND FLEXIBILITY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH TEMPORARY SALARY REDUCTIONS, EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 25.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 241, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 371, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESUME FUNDING FOR THE ADULT AND PEDIATRIC TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY PILOT PROGRAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 389, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NATURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND CULTURAL RESOURCES LAWS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 390, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ENROLL IN AS MANY COURSES PER YEAR AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 394, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO SUPPORT CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA DESIGNATED AS HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 401, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA COLLABORATORY AND TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR ITS OPERATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 410, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY AND HOLD REMOTE MEETINGS, EXCEPT AS LIMITED BY THE NONPROFIT, TO MAKE CHANGES RELATED TO REMOTE MEETINGS FOR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS AND HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATIONS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 413, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF AN EXISTING WAREHOUSE THAT WILL SUPPORT MAIN STREET REVITALIZATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Natalie S. Murdock, Senator from Durham County, as follows:

"This weekend, when the Easter outfits are put away and the candy is all eaten and on to life we go, let us not forget: the celebration of your resurrection over death is a celebration of life that should continue well beyond the sunrise service and the music being rehearsed for days prior. It is beyond the sign of spring, beyond the lily, beyond new lambs grazing in the field. Resurrection is a daily

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celebration over fear, man's greatest and most powerful enemy—fear of tomorrow, fear of our yesterdays, fear of what shall become of our young and of our unborn. Resurrection is replacing fear with physical action. This alone is the most touching and profound of your signs that fear is dead and belief in you brings not just hope but life. Thank you for the resurrection of your Son, Jesus. We want to celebrate him every day in our lives. In a world that grows increasingly dark, help us to hold up his light. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you on this day. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, March 31, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Britt and Senator Daniel.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

H.B. 82 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the Senate Committee Substitute bill is placed on today's calendar for immediate consideration.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 82 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the bill is sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 279, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW BERN AND THE TOWNS OF BRIDGETON, ORIENTAL, AND TRENT WOODS TO REGULATE NAVIGABLE WATERS WITHIN THEIR CORPORATE LIMITS AND EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

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S.B. 196, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, AND (III) PROVIDE THAT IN A TAX FORECLOSURE ACTION A COMMISSIONER'S FEE SHALL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM THE REAL PROPERTY DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE DATE OF SALE AND THE JUDGMENT CONFIRMING THE SALE AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 197, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) REMOVE THE LOCATION REQUIREMENT FOR HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS TO ALIGN NORTH CAROLINA WITH ALL OTHER STATES RECOGNIZING HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS, (II) UPDATE THE DEFINITIONS OF "TERMS OF A TRUST" AND "TRUST INSTRUMENT" AND REVISE THE ARTICLE ON POWER HOLDERS OF TRUSTS, AND (III) CLARIFY THE TRUST EXCLUSION TO THE RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 198, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 296 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA POLICY COLLABORATORY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL TO STUDY THE COASTAL AND MARINE FISHERIES REGULATED BY THE STATE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 308 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STREAMLINE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE WITH BUILDING CODES AND TO PREVENT UNNECESSARY DELAY DUE TO REPETITIVE REINSPECTIONS, upon second reading.

Senator Jarvis offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 317 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REFORM THE MANAGEMENT OF MARINE FISHERIES IN NORTH CAROLINA, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (45-3) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 321, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT, upon second reading.

Senator McInnis offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (42-6) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

BILL FILING DEADLINE EXTENDED

Senator Rabon offers a motion that Senate Rule 40.2(b) be temporarily suspended to the end that public bills may be filed on Wednesday, April 7, until 4:00 p.m., provided the drafts have been released to Bill Processing no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 6. The motion prevails without objection.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Perry, the Senate adjourns at 12:57 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, April 5, at 4:15 p.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Edwards for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 315, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING LICENSED SELF-INSURERS TO OPERATE NONFLEET MOTOR VEHICLES, ALLOWING SELF-INSURANCE TO SERVE AS PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND REMOVING THE FLEET RESTRICTION FROM SELF-INSURED RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 339, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING MOTOR VEHICLE DISPLAYS TO INCLUDE DEALERS' CONTACT INFORMATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 73 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WAIVE CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO WAIVE CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10235, which changes the title to read **H.B. 73** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELAY THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO EXTEND THE DEFERRAL FOR CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 387,** AN ACT TO MODIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA READ TO ACHIEVE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO ATTAIN STATEWIDE READING PROFICIENCY BY THE THIRD GRADE.
- H.B. 53, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE STUDENT ATTENDANCE IN A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT FOR CHILDREN OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY DUE TO THE MILITARY ORDERS OF THE PARENT AND TO CLARIFY CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE DEPENDENTS OF MILITARY PERSONNEL ONCE THOSE STUDENTS ARE ADMITTED TO A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
- **H.B. 82,** AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

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H.J.R. 469, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF WANDA TAYLOR TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSORS

Senator Harrington requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 404, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THAT PHYSICIANS WHO PERFORM DRUG-INDUCED ABORTIONS FURNISH PATIENTS WITH CERTAIN WRITTEN INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF REVERSING THE EFFECTS OF A DRUG-INDUCED ABORTION AFTER THE FIRST DOSE OF MEDICATION IS ADMINISTERED, REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO DISTRIBUTE CERTAIN WRITTEN MATERIALS TO EVERY PHYSICIAN WHO PERFORMS DRUG-INDUCED ABORTIONS, AND PROVIDING CIVIL REMEDIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF G.S. 14-45.

S.B. 405, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT.

REMOVAL OF A BILL SPONSOR

Senator Steinburg requests to be removed as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 355, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PERSONNEL HIRING, FIRING, AND PERFORMANCE RECORDS.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FORTIETH DAY

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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County.

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Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

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"Father, we thank you for this day you've given us—and a beautiful day yesterday on Resurrection Day. We thank you for another day of life—another day of beautiful weather. We praise you for your grace and mercy that you extend to us every day. Thank you for it, in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, April 1, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Ballard, the Senate adjourns at 4:18 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, April 6, at 11:00 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 448, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING, IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY OBJECTION BY THE COMMISSION FOR MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR THE AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM SCHEDULE VI OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Galey, Britt, and Daniel (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 449, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE LAWS GOVERNING MANUFACTURED HOME TITLES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Ballard, Barnes (Primary Sponsors); Corbin and Craven: **S.B. 450**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield, Murdock (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore and Marcus: **S.B. 451**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF NON-RECYCLABLE, NON-COMPOSTABLE, OR SINGLE-USE PLASTIC FOOD SERVICE WARE AND SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS.

By Senator Johnson:

S.B. 452, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A PUBLIC UTILITY, ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION, AND TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION SHALL NOT IN ITS DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES BILL ANY PERSON OR COMPANY FOR SERVICE PROVIDED TO A HOUSEHOLD OR BUSINESS LOCATION THAT THE PERSON OR COMPANY DOES NOT OWN, LEASE, OR OCCUPY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Britt, deViere (Primary Sponsors) and Woodard:

S.B. 453, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR A CONSUMER TASTING IN AN ABC STORE SHALL BE ISSUED IN THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS LISTED ON THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Johnson, and Sawyer (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 454, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR THE BURNING OF COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES; TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF ARSON OR OTHER UNLAWFUL BURNINGS THAT RESULT IN INJURY TO A FIREFIGHTER, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, FIRE INVESTIGATOR, OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN; TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE THROUGH THE OFFICE OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL TO INVESTIGATE FIRES; TO REQUIRE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS OF APPLICANTS TO FIRE DEPARTMENTS; TO REQUIRE APPLICANTS TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN CRIMINAL CHARGES; AND TO PROHIBIT APPLICANTS CONVICTED OF CERTAIN CRIMES FROM SERVING AS VOLUNTEER OR PAID MEMBERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Mohammed, Lee (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, J. Jackson and Murdock:

S.B. 455, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DECRIMINALIZE NON-STATUTORY CRIMINAL OFFENSES AND VIOLATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Robinson, Batch, Lowe (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mayfield, Mohammed and Murdock:

S.B. 456, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE APPRENTICESHIP PILOT PROGRAM.

By Senators Robinson (Primary Sponsor); Bazemore, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock and Woodard:

S.B. 457, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING FOR HEALTHY FAMILIES AND HEALTHY WORKPLACES BY ENSURING THAT ALL WORKERS HAVE EARNED PAID SICK DAYS TO ADDRESS THEIR OWN HEALTH NEEDS AND THE HEALTH NEEDS OF THEIR FAMILIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus (Primary Sponsor) and Harrington:

S.B. 458, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE MOUNTAIN ISLAND LAKE MARINE COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield, Fitch, and Nickel (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 459, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE THE REQUIRED PERIOD OF SEPARATION FOR ABSOLUTE DIVORCE FROM ONE YEAR TO SIX MONTHS, TO ALLOW PARTIES TO COHABITATE FOR FINANCIAL REASONS, TO WAIVE THE PERIOD OF SEPARATION FOR UNCONTESTED DIVORCES IN WHICH NO MINOR CHILDREN ARE INVOLVED, AND TO ABOLISH THE COMMON-LAW CIVIL ACTIONS OF ALIENATION OF AFFECTION AND CRIMINAL CONVERSATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Murdock, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors) and Marcus:

S.B. 460, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE "PFAS TASK FORCE" TO IDENTIFY AND ANALYZE ALL PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES (PFAS) IN THE LOWER CAPE FEAR RIVER BASIN, TO IDENTIFY THEIR SOURCE OF DISCHARGE AND THEIR HEALTH IMPACT ON THE HUMAN POPULATION THEREIN, TO ESTABLISH ALLOWABLE MAXIMUM HEALTH STANDARDS FOR EXPOSURE TO PFAS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMMEDIATE REPLACEMENT AND/OR UPGRADE OF DRINKING WATER SYSTEMS, INCLUDING PRIVATE WELLS, WITHIN THE AFFECTED AREA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Robinson, Murdock, Mohammed (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Davis, Foushee, J. Jackson, Marcus and Mayfield:

S.B. 461, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT, TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES BY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS AND FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS TO TARGET RACIAL AND ETHNIC HEALTH DISPARITIES.

By Senators Krawiec, Perry, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Ford and Hise:

S.B. 462, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND LOWER COSTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 463, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO BEGIN DEPLOYMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA FAMILIES ACCESSING SERVICES THROUGH TECHNOLOGY (NC FAST) CASE MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONALITY FOR THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM AND AGING AND ADULT SERVICES' PROGRAMS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Ballard, Bazemore, Blue, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Galey, Hise, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Salvador and Sawyer:

S.B. 464, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE YOUNG CHILDREN'S HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT THROUGH CONTINUED INVESTMENT IN THE NORTH CAROLINA PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN, INC., (SMART START) PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Craven, Corbin (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Jarvis, Krawiec, Lazzara, McInnis, Perry, Proctor, Sawyer and Woodard:

S.B. 465, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THAT DOORSTEP REFUSE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION CONTAINERS BE ALLOWED IN EXIT ACCESS CORRIDORS OF CERTAIN APARTMENT OCCUPANCIES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Daniel (Primary Sponsors); Krawiec, Perry and Sawyer: **S.B. 466**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE SOURCE DISCLOSURE FOR ONLINE GRASSROOTS LOBBYING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 467, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE EARNED WAGE ACCESS SERVICES ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Newton, Perry (Primary Sponsors) and Steinburg:

S.B. 468, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE SCIENCE-BASED RULEMAKING MORE OPEN, TRANSPARENT, AND AVAILABLE FOR CITIZEN REVIEW.

By Senators Lee (Primary Sponsor); Burgin, Corbin and J. Jackson:

S.B. 469, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WAIVE PENALTIES ON UNPAID SALES TAX LIABILITY FOR COVID-AFFECTED BUSINESSES THAT HAVE BECOME CURRENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Hise (Primary Sponsors); Newton, Salvador and Sawyer:

S.B. 470, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE INNOVATION COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Crawford, Davis (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Chaudhuri, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mohammed and Murdock:

S.B. 471, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPRESS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT TO INCREASE VETERANS ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE IN NORTH CAROLINA BY EXPANDING ELIGIBILITY FOR THE MEDICAID PROGRAM TO VETERANS WITH A MODIFIED ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME THAT IS BELOW ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Corbin, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Foushee, Garrett, Hise, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Lazzara, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Salvador, Sawyer and Woodard:

S.B. 472, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT EXPANDING THE TYPES OF CANCERS DEEMED OCCUPATIONALLY RELATED TO FIREFIGHTING FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING WHETHER A FIREFIGHTER IS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND A DEATH BENEFIT IS PAYABLE; AND DIRECTING THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A TRUST ACCOUNT FOR FIREFIGHTERS DIAGNOSED WITH AN OCCUPATIONALLY RELATED CANCER TO COVER THE COST OF CANCER-RELATED MEDICAL EXPENSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Barnes, Sanderson, Edwards (Primary Sponsors); Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson and Krawiec:

S.B. 473, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME

FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators McInnis, Steinburg, Britt (Primary Sponsors) and Sawyer:

S.B. 474, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Perry, Galey (Primary Sponsors) and Sawyer:

S.B. 475, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING RULE 411 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF EVIDENCE CONCERNING THE INTERPRETATION OF WHAT CONSTITUTES "INSURANCE" UNDER THE COLLATERAL SOURCE RULE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Perry, Galey (Primary Sponsors) and Sawyer:

S.B. 476, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING RULE 414 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF EVIDENCE AND RELATED STATUTES REGARDING THE VALIDITY OF CERTAIN LIENS FOR MEDICAL CHARGES IN CIVIL ACTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Perry, Galey (Primary Sponsors) and Sawyer:

S.B. 477, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE VICTIMS' FAIR TREATMENT ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Jarvis, McInnis, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Burgin, Hise and Krawiec:

S.B. 478, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE VARIOUS BUILDING CODE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY REFORMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard, Waddell (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Crawford, deViere, J. Jackson, Marcus and Murdock:

S.B. 479, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING A COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT FOR RETIREES OF THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ENACT THESE COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS FOR STATE RETIREES.

By Senators Britt, Galey, Batch (Primary Sponsors) and Marcus:

S.B. 480, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS MODIFICATIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES TO EXPAND PROTECTIONS FOR VICTIMS OF CERTAIN CRIMES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sanderson (Primary Sponsor) and Newton:

S.B. 481, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Newton and Craven (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 482, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE A SITE DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING ASSISTANCE FUND.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Murdock, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Foushee, J. Jackson and Salvador:

S.B. 483, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RECLASSIFY MISDEMEANOR POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA OR HASHISH OFFENSES AS INFRACTIONS, TO ALLOW THE EXPUNCTION OF CLASS 3 MISDEMEANOR POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA OR HASHISH OFFENSES, TO STUDY RECLASSIFYING CERTAIN CLASS 3 MISDEMEANOR OFFENSES AS INFRACTIONS, AND TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR DRUG TREATMENT COURT PROGRAMS AND MENTAL HEALTH COURT PROGRAMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Batch (Primary Sponsors) and Marcus:

S.B. 484, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFINE THE TERM "SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER" AND REQUIRE TRAINING FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS AND TO REQUIRE A SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR OR SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER TO SIGN A SCHOOL-BASED COMPLAINT INITIATED BY A SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PRIOR TO BEING FILED IN JUVENILE COURT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Foushee, Robinson (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, deViere, J. Jackson and Marcus:

S.B. 485, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE AND SUPPORT LOCAL DRUG TREATMENT COURT PROGRAMS AND MENTAL HEALTH COURT PROGRAMS AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Fitch, Batch (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Blue and Foushee:

S.B. 486, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Mohammed, Garrett, deViere (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Foushee, J. Jackson and Marcus:

S.B. 487, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE ALL COUNTIES ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE FELLOWS PROGRAM, TO EXEMPT FROM RULEMAKING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR IN-SERVICE TRAINING OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE OFFICERS, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Rabon, Ford, Alexander (Primary Sponsors) and Lazzara:

S.B. 488, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE USE OF DISCLAIMERS ON SIMULATED CHECKS OR INVOICES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Sawyer, Woodard (Primary Sponsors) and Lazzara:

S.B. 489, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODERNIZE THE LAWS APPLICABLE TO CREDIT UNIONS BY MODIFYING FEES PAID BY A NEW CREDIT UNION AND THE LATE PENALTY FOR A CREDIT UNION'S FAILURE TO MAKE A REPORT OF CONDITION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Britt, Mohammed (Primary Sponsors) and deViere:

S.B. 490, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN LICENSE REVOCATION LAWS TO ENABLE ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Johnson (Primary Sponsors) and Sawyer:

S.B. 491, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DESIGN A FIVE-TIER ECONOMIC DISTRESS SYSTEM THAT MAY BE USED IN ADDITION TO THE CURRENT DEVELOPMENT TIER SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Craven:

S.B. 492, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE NORTH CAROLINA TEXTILE MUSEUM AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE SAME.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Newton, Craven (Primary Sponsors) and Sawyer:

S.B. 493, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY MULTILOCATION PROJECT ENHANCEMENT FOR THE JOB DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Newton, Salvador, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Chaudhuri, Clark, deViere and J. Jackson:

S.B. 494, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AND ENHANCE THE ONE NORTH CAROLINA SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM.

By Senators Edwards, Newton (Primary Sponsors) and Clark:

S.B. 495, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY FOOD SALES TAX FOR CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson, Edwards, and McInnis (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 496, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND AND TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO VARIOUS INSURANCE LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Alexander, Corbin, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Hise, Newton and Steinburg:

S.B. 497, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE STOP SOCIAL MEDIA CENSORSHIP ACT TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN SOCIAL MEDIA WEBSITES FROM CENSORING CERTAIN POLITICAL OR RELIGIOUS SPEECH.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Johnson (Primary Sponsor) and Perry:

S.B. 498, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LOTTERY COMMISSION TO REGULATE THE PLACEMENT AND OPERATION OF VIDEO GAME TERMINALS IN THIS STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Corbin (Primary Sponsor) and J. Jackson:

S.B. 499, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE HISTORICAL SITES AND HISTORICAL PRESERVATION THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere and Clark (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 500, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIRBORNE AND SPECIAL OPERATIONS MUSEUM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Daniel, Britt, and Steinburg (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 501, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF ADULT CORRECTION, TO CREATE THE DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 11 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE ALCOHOL IN MANUFACTURED FOOD PRODUCTS SUCH AS ICE CREAM, ICE POPS, GUM, AND GELATIN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 142, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING RESERVE FOR CERTAIN BUILDING PROJECTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 159 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO EDUCATION LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 289 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE PREPARATION OF STATEWIDE BROADBAND MAPS AND ESTABLISHING THE DEPARTMENT AS THE SOLE SOURCE OF BROADBAND MAPPING FOR STATE AGENCIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 312 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE OR APPOINTEE FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF TO DISCLOSE ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS, INCLUDING ANY EXPUNGED CONVICTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 335 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO A CHARTER SCHOOL TO INCENTIVIZE THE TIMELY TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 351 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH VISITATION PROTOCOLS FOR NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, HOSPICE CARE FACILITIES, AND ADULT CARE HOMES, INCLUDING FAMILY CARE HOMES, DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND REQUIRING THESE FACILITIES TO ADHERE TO THE ESTABLISHED VISITATION PROTOCOLS DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES WHEN NORMAL VISITATION POLICIES ARE SUSPENDED OR CURTAILED.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FORTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, April 6, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day that you've given us, and we praise you for everything that you give us every day of our lives. And we thank you that you give us eternal life, by and through the death, burial, and resurrection of your Son. We praise you for that today, in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Ballard announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, April 5, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon her motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ballard, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 11:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, April 7, at 11:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Woodard:

S.B. 502, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS PROGRAM TO ESTABLISH INTERDISCIPLINARY HEALTH EDUCATION TEACHING HUBS AND TO STUDY IMPEDIMENTS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF COMMUNITY-BASED PRECEPTORS FOR STUDENTS IN RURAL AND UNDERSERVED AREAS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard (Primary Sponsor) and Murdock:

S.B. 503, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE "END YOUTH NICOTINE DEPENDENCE ACT" OR "END ACT."

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Woodard (Primary Sponsor); Marcus and Mohammed:

S.B. 504, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A TAX CREDIT FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS BY A TAXPAYER THAT ELECTS TO TAKE THE STANDARD DEDUCTION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Jarvis and Steinburg:

S.B. 505, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT NORTH CAROLINIANS FROM BECOMING VICTIMS OF SURPRISE BILLING BY OUT-OF-NETWORK HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE RENDERED HEALTH CARE SERVICES AT HEALTH SERVICES FACILITIES THAT ARE IN-NETWORK WITH AN INDIVIDUAL'S HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Craven (Primary Sponsors) and Jarvis:

S.B. 506, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Galey:

S.B. 507, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard (Primary Sponsor) and Marcus:

S.B. 508, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DANGEROUS DOG LAWS TO PERMIT A CASE-BY-CASE DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER A DOG TRAINED FOR DOG FIGHTING IS DANGEROUS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Salvador, Murdock, Woodard (Primary Sponsors); Clark, deViere, J. Jackson, Mayfield and Mohammed:

S.B. 509, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO CARRY OUT A GRANT PROGRAM TO IMPROVE THE ENERGY RESILIENCE, ENERGY DEMOCRACY, AND ENERGY SECURITY OF COMMUNITIES, AND TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Clark, deViere, Mohammed (Primary Sponsors); Marcus, Mayfield, Murdock and Salvador:

S.B. 510, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE RELEASE OF BODY-WORN AND DASHBOARD CAMERA RECORDINGS UPON REQUEST AFTER FORTY-EIGHT HOURS HAVE PASSED FROM THE TIME OF THE RECORDING.

By Senators Clark and Woodard (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 511, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE CREATION AND SELECTION OF COUNTY CLUSTER MAPS TO BE USED WHEN REVISING DISTRICTS FOR THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 DECENNIAL CENSUS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford, deViere, Batch (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock:

S.B. 512, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE TAX INCENTIVES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES TO HIRE NORTH CAROLINA WORKERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Galey and Sanderson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 513, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE PROCESS FOR LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF RULES, TO DESIGNATE THE NORTH CAROLINA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE PUBLISHED ONLINE AS THE OFFICIAL VERSION AND REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT TO PUBLISH AND PROVIDE PRINTED COPIES, TO CLARIFY THAT CONSULTATION WITH THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS FOR TEMPORARY AND EMERGENCY RULES THAT ESTABLISH OR INCREASE A FEE IS NOT REQUIRED, TO UPDATE THE MODEL CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT FOR STATE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES, AND TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Daniel, Sanderson (Primary Sponsors); Edwards, Krawiec, Newton and Steinburg:

S.B. 514, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT MINORS FROM ADMINISTRATION OF PUBERTY BLOCKERS AND CROSS-SEX HORMONES AND OTHER RELATED ACTIONS, PROCEDURES, AND TREATMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Daniel, Sanderson (Primary Sponsors); Ballard, Edwards, Galey, Jarvis, Krawiec and Newton:

S.B. 515, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE RIGHT OF CONSCIENCE OF MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS, HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS, AND HEALTH CARE PAYERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Chaudhuri, Crawford (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock:

S.B. 516, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE CONTINUATION OF A GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE POLICY OF A WIDOWED SPOUSE OR SURVIVING DEPENDENT FOR THIRTY-SIX MONTHS AFTER THE DATE THE COVERED EMPLOYEE HAS DECEASED.

By Senators Newton, Chaudhuri (Primary Sponsors); Ballard, Barnes, Britt, deViere, Edwards, J. Jackson, Lee, Marcus, Mohammed and Salvador:

S.B. 517, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE PREPARATION OF STATEWIDE BROADBAND MAPS AND TO ESTABLISH THE DEPARTMENT AS THE SOLE SOURCE OF BROADBAND MAPPING FOR STATE AGENCIES; RELIEVE REGULATORY BURDENS TO EXPEDITE BROADBAND EXPANSION; ALLOW FOR USE OF EXISTING EASEMENTS FOR BROADBAND EXPANSION; EXPAND DISTRIBUTION OF STATE SURPLUS COMPUTERS AND COMPUTER HARDWARE FOR NONPROFITS; ALLOW LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEASING OF EXISTING BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE; EXPAND FUNDING FOR G.R.E.A.T. PROGRAM BROADBAND GRANTS; AND PROVIDE STOPGAP INTERNET ACCESS FOR CLASSROOM ACCESS, HEALTH CARE ACCESS, AND JOB CREATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Batch, Burgin, Edwards (Primary Sponsors) and Marcus:

S.B. 518, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS AND EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CLARIFY THE NON-CARETAKER DEFINITION FOR THE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS LIST; TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF EMERGENCY JUDGES TO ADDRESS THE CHILD WELFARE CASE BACKLOG; TO HIRE REGIONAL ABUSE AND MEDICAL SPECIALISTS TO IMPROVE THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM; AND TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT A CENTRALIZED HOTLINE FOR CHILD WELFARE INTAKE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Sawyer:

S.B. 519, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A TIME LINE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ACCEPT SUBDIVISION TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS TO THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM FOR MAINTENANCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Krawiec, and Burgin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 520, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNING THE PRACTICE OF RESPIRATORY CARE TO BETTER REFLECT THE CHANGES IN EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION IN ORDER TO ENHANCE THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS.

By Senators Sawyer and Daniel (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 521, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ELIGIBLE COUNTIES TO USE FUNDS FROM THE NEEDS-BASED PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL FUND FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING RENOVATIONS AND TO ALLOW FOR FUNDS FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING CAPITAL FUND TO BE USED FOR CERTAIN LEASE AGREEMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer, Johnson, and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 522, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE INSTRUCTION FOR CLASSROOM PORTIONS OF DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Chaudhuri, Foushee (Primary Sponsors); J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock and Salvador:

S.B. 523, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA BROADBAND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ELIGIBLE LOW-INCOME FAMILIES TO HELP MAKE BROADBAND ACCESS MORE AFFORDABLE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators de Viere, Batch, Garrett (Primary Sponsors); Blue, Chaudhuri, Clark, Crawford, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock, Robinson and Salvador:

S.B. 524, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST SMALL BUSINESSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 525, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO NC STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 526, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A TIME FOR SCIENCE IN PITT COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 527, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE LOST SHEEP RESOURCE FOUNDATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 528, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS IN GREENE COUNTY.

By Senators Burgin and Foushee (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 529, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE ASSISTANCE TO COUNTIES WITH THE CLEANUP OF SCRAP TIRES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, Corbin (Primary Sponsors); Batch, deViere, Lee, Mayfield, Murdock and Perry:

S.B. 530, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE COVERAGE UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM FOR PREGNANT WOMEN FOR TWELVE MONTHS POSTPARTUM, AS ALLOWED UNDER THE FEDERAL AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021, AND TO PLAN TO PROVIDE THOSE INDIVIDUALS WITH A WAIVER OF TUITION AND REGISTRATION FEES AT A NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Foushee (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock:

S.B. 531, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAW REGARDING REMOTE MEETINGS BY PUBLIC BODIES DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Foushee (Primary Sponsors) and Mayfield:

S.B. 532, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO GIVE COUNTIES ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY WITH REGARD TO THE LOCAL OPTION SALES AND USE TAX WITHOUT INCREASING THE EXISTING MAXIMUM TAX RATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec (Primary Sponsors) and Ford:

S.B. 533, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE STATE AGENCIES TO ELIMINATE ALL POSITIONS WITHIN THE AGENCY THAT HAVE BEEN VACANT FOR AT LEAST TWELVE MONTHS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin (Primary Sponsor) and Chaudhuri:

S.B. 534, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE LEGISLATIVE REFORM COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING LEGISLATOR TERMS, TERM LIMITS, SESSION LIMITS, AND COMPENSATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin and Krawiec (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 535, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAWS PERTAINING TO THE SAFE SURRENDER OF INFANTS UNDER THE ABUSE, NEGLECT, DEPENDENCY LAWS AND TO MAKE CONFORMING STATUTORY CHANGES.

By Senator Burgin:

S.B. 536, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING THE TITLING AND REGISTRATION OF JUNK VEHICLES AND REMOVING ANY DISTINCTION BASED ON VEHICLE AGE WITH RESPECT TO THE BRANDED TITLE REQUIREMENTS FOR SALVAGE VEHICLES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin and Krawiec (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 537, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, TO EXPAND THE NORTH CAROLINA INFANT SAFE SLEEP PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 538, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF STATE OPERATED HEALTHCARE FACILITIES, IN COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT THAT PROVIDES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF EPIC SOFTWARE AS THE STANDARD, UNIFORM SOFTWARE PLATFORM FOR ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS WITHIN THE STATE'S PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sanderson (Primary Sponsor); Barnes and Krawiec:

S.B. 539, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF A CONVICTION FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN A CHILD CUSTODY PROCEEDING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard, Burgin, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock:

S.B. 540, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Blue, Ballard (Primary Sponsors); Clark, Lee, Murdock and Perry:

S.B. 541, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY AS ONE OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS WITH AN ESTABLISHED RATE OF TUITION AS PART OF THE NC PROMISE TUITION PLAN AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE.

By Senators Burgin (Primary Sponsor) and Krawiec:

S.B. 542, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators McInnis, Edwards, Woodard (Primary Sponsors) and Britt:

S.B. 543, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR INTERNAL AUDITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Ballard, Edwards (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Marcus, Mayfield and Murdock:

S.B. 544, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR EXPERTISE AND TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOCATED WITHIN THE STATE TO ADDRESS PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES, INCLUDING GENX.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards and Sanderson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 545, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A UNIVERSAL RECOGNITION PROCESS FOR LICENSURE, CERTIFICATION, OR REGISTRATION FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ESTABLISH RESIDENCE IN THIS STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry (Primary Sponsor); Barnes, Chaudhuri, J. Jackson and Marcus:

S.B. 546, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT LOBBYISTS AND THE SPOUSES OF LOBBYISTS FROM SERVING AS MEMBERS ON THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lazzara, Corbin, deViere (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Crawford, Fitch, Galey, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Perry, Salvador and Woodard:

S.B. 547, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO FOSTER INFRASTRUCTURE FOR BROADBAND EXPANSION AND RESOURCES IN NORTH CAROLINA BY AUTHORIZING COUNTIES AND CITIES TO BUILD AND LEASE FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT OF BROADBAND SERVICES TO INCREASE ADEQUATE BROADBAND SERVICES IN RURAL AREAS OF THE STATE WHERE THE NEED FOR BROADBAND IS GREAT DUE TO MANY FACTORS, INCLUDING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

By Senators Johnson, McInnis, Sawyer (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Britt, Ford, Galey, Krawiec and Perry:

S.B. 548, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Marcus:

S.B. 549, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA FROM AGING AND POORLY MAINTAINED PIPELINES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Craven, and Lazzara (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 550, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY QUALIFICATIONS AND TESTING PROCEDURES FOR BAIL BONDSMEN AND RUNNERS AND TO MODIFY VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATED TO BAIL BOND FORFEITURES AND BAIL BOND SURETIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Britt:

S.B. 551, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPENSATION FOR TEACHERS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS WITH AT LEAST FIFTEEN YEARS OF EXPERIENCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Sanderson:

S.B. 552, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT WHO MAY ADVERTISE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MINOR CHILD UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO ADOPTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Daniel, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Barnes and Krawiec:

S.B. 553, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR WILLFUL AND WANTON INJURY TO REAL PROPERTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Ballard, Britt, and Lee (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 554, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN NORTH CAROLINA BY ENCOURAGING THE CONVERSION OF SHIPPING CONTAINERS TO HOUSING UNITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Salvador, Batch, Fitch (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock:

S.B. 555, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT TO PROHIBIT INQUIRIES ABOUT AN APPLICANT'S SALARY HISTORY DURING THE HIRING PROCESS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Salvador, Woodard, Garrett (Primary Sponsors) and Mayfield: **S.B. 556**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT STATE ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS FOR CERTAIN APPLIANCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin and Davis (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 557, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT INCREASING THE PAY AND DEATH BENEFITS OF MEMBERS OF THE STATE HIGHWAY PATROL KILLED OR MURDERED IN THE LINE OF DUTY; AND REQUIRING THAT A JURY DECIDE THE DEFENDANT'S SENTENCE IN EVERY CASE INVOLVING THE MURDER OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Ballard's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FORTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, April 7, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day you've given us—we don't take it lightly, we don't take it for granted—every day that you've given us—you never know when you're gonna go—we just pray that we're ready at any time. We thank you for all that you do for us. We praise you, in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, April 6, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Ballard, the Senate adjourns at 11:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, April 8, at 12:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators deViere, Davis, Clark (Primary Sponsors); Lowe, Murdock and Nickel:

S.B. 558, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE THE USE OF VETERAN CONTRACTORS IN STATE PURCHASING OF GOODS AND SERVICES, STATE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, AND STATE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROCUREMENT; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO COLLECT AND COMPILE DATA ON THE USE OF VETERAN BUSINESSES IN STATE CONTRACTS; AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR THESE PURPOSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator deViere:

S.B. 559, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE HISTORIC ORANGE STREET SCHOOL BUILDING IN FAYETTEVILLE AND FOR DIGITALIZATION AND PRESERVATION OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN PICTORIAL WALL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mayfield, Garrett (Primary Sponsors); Murdock and Nickel:

S.B. 560, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus, Murdock, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Foushee, J. Jackson, Lowe, Mohammed, Nickel, Robinson and Salvador:

S.B. 561, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAID BY THE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR VICTIMS OF RAPE AND SEX OFFENSES TO A MEDICAL FACILITY OR MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL FOR FORENSIC MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Salvador, Davis, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors); Lowe, Marcus and Mohammed:

S.B. 562, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE CLEAN AIR GRANT PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Salvador, Garrett, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors); Clark, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel and Robinson:

S.B. 563, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REENACT A TAX CREDIT INCENTIVE FOR INVESTING IN RENEWABLE ENERGY PROPERTY.

By Senators Batch, Salvador, Crawford (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, deViere, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mohammed, Murdock and Robinson:

S.B. 564, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA PAID FAMILY LEAVE INSURANCE ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Batch, Crawford, Garrett (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Foushee, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Robinson and Salvador:

S.B. 565, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN POLICIES AND STANDARDS SURROUNDING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Batch, Garrett, deViere (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, J. Jackson and Marcus:

S.B. 566, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN POLICIES AND STANDARDS SURROUNDING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford, Murdock, Salvador (Primary Sponsors) and Nickel:

S.B. 567, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE FRIDAYS IN MARCH WHEN BOTH THE WOMEN'S AND MEN'S ACC BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS ARE HELD AS PUBLIC HOLIDAYS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Robinson, Foushee (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, Crawford, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock and Salvador:

S.B. 568, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND CLARIFYING THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM "RESPONSIBLE, RESPONSIVE BIDDER" TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF MINORITY AND HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESSES USED IN STATE CONTRACTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Salvador, Clark, Waddell (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock:

S.B. 569, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT CONSUMERS BY ENACTING THE CONSUMER PRIVACY ACT OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 570, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS)

(STAR RATING) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN OTHER FLEXIBILITIES WHEN THE ERS ASSESSMENTS RESUME.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lee:

S.B. 571, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CODIFY AND EXPAND THE RENEWAL SCHOOL SYSTEM OPTIONAL PROGRAM FOR LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus (Primary Sponsor) and Sawyer:

S.B. 572, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USE OF COAL COMBUSTION PRODUCTS AS STRUCTURAL FILL AND TO CONFORM THE STATE'S COAL ASH MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR USE AS STRUCTURAL FILL TO FEDERAL STANDARDS PROMULGATED BY THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus, deViere, Salvador (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel and Robinson:

S.B. 573, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION IN THE PAYMENT OF WAGES ON THE BASIS OF THE GENDER OF THE EMPLOYEE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Steinburg:

S.B. 574, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A CHANGE OF BENEFICIARY UNDER A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY IF THAT BENEFICIARY WAS SELECTED UNDER FRAUDULENT CIRCUMSTANCES OR FALSE PRETENSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Jarvis and Sawyer:

S.B. 575, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CLINICAL PHARMACIST PRACTITIONERS AND IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO PRESCRIBE, DISPENSE, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Garrett, Salvador (Primary Sponsors); J. Jackson, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel and Robinson:

S.B. 576, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REENACT THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT.

By Senators Murdock, Waddell, Bazemore (Primary Sponsors); deViere, J. Jackson, Mayfield, Mohammed, Robinson and Salvador:

S.B. 577, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA BLACK WOMEN AND GIRLS TASK FORCE AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE TASK FORCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock, Waddell, and Crawford (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 578, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF ESTABLISHING A REDUCED FIXED FOUR-YEAR TUITION PLAN FOR CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO CONDUCT THE STUDY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford, deViere (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, Mohammed and Murdock:

S.B. 579, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A GRANT PROGRAM AT NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO EXPAND INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE IN THE STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators B. Jackson, Sanderson, and Edwards (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 580, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RECONCILE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF A CERTAIN RULE ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Clark, Fitch (Primary Sponsors); Mayfield and Murdock:

S.B. 581, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 DECENNIAL CENSUS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin and Corbin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 582, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AVAILABILITY OF ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS IN HIGH SCHOOL AFTER RECEIVING ONE SEMESTER OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE COURSES IN TEACHER PREPARATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Edwards (Primary Sponsors) and Newton:

S.B. 583, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE STANDARD DEDUCTION TO THE FEDERAL STANDARD DEDUCTION AMOUNT, TO GRADUATE LATE PAYMENT PENALTIES, AND TO ALLOW CERTAIN PASS-THROUGH ENTITIES TO ELECT TO PAY TAX AT THE ENTITY LEVEL.

By Senator Burgin:

S.B. 584, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REINSTATE A MERCHANT'S DISCOUNT.

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Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Marcus, Waddell (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, Foushee, J. Jackson, Mayfield, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson and Salvador:

S.B. 585, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ELIMINATE THE WAITLIST FOR THE NC PREKINDERGARTEN (NC PRE-K) PROGRAM STATEWIDE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Salvador, Harrington, and Krawiec (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 586, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY LIPEDEMA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Johnson:

S.B. 587, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY POLICYHOLDERS FROM CERTAIN UNDERWRITING ABUSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators J. Jackson, deViere, Clark (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock and Nickel:

S.B. 588, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REENACT THE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett, deViere, Batch (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, Murdock and Salvador:

S.B. 589, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW SMALL BUSINESSES TO ELIMINATE STATE INCOME TAXES ON A PORTION OF REVENUE IF USED FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett and Robinson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 590, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE EASTERN TRIAD WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS COLLABORATIVE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett, deViere, and Salvador (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 591, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A BUSINESS INCOME TAX DEDUCTION.

By Senators Garrett, Salvador, Nickel (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield and Murdock:

S.B. 592, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW PLUG-IN ELECTRIC VEHICLE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators B. Jackson, Ballard, Lee (Primary Sponsors) and Krawiec:

S.B. 593, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARTIES TO SEEK IMMEDIATE JUDICIAL REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISIONS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION DUE PROCESS HEARINGS. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 594, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS PROCESSES, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, AND MAKING VARIOUS TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM, AS REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators J. Jackson, Batch, Salvador (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, deViere, Marcus and Mohammed:

S.B. 595, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE A TASK FORCE TO STUDY ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator J. Jackson:

S.B. 596, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAWS GOVERNING THE REVOCATION OF DRIVERS LICENSES FOR FAILURE TO PAY A FINE, PENALTY, OR COURT COSTS AND TO REQUIRE A STUDY OF VARIOUS RELATED MATTERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Steinburg:

S.B. 597, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PAY OFF THE PRINCIPAL OF WATER AND SEWER BONDS THAT WERE USED TO SET UP INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE PRISON.

By Senators Chaudhuri, Nickel (Primary Sponsors); Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock and Salvador:

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S.B. 598, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE WAGE AND HOUR ACT TO REQUIRE EMPLOYERS TO PROVIDE A TWENTY-MINUTE PAID BREAK TO ANY EMPLOYEE WORKING A SHIFT OF SIX HOURS OR MORE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Steinburg:

S.B. 599, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A TERMINAL GROIN IS NOT AN EROSION CONTROL STRUCTURE AND THEREFORE IS NOT SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS ON THOSE STRUCTURES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Salvador, Lowe, Foushee (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock:

S.B. 600, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STUDY COMMITTEE ON AUTOMATION AND THE WORKFORCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel (Primary Sponsor) and Murdock:

S.B. 601, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE POSITION OF NORTH CAROLINA SURGEON GENERAL; AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNOR TO APPOINT A NORTH CAROLINA SURGEON GENERAL TO SERVE AS THE STATE'S CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH ADVOCATE; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE CREATION OF THIS POSITION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Davis, deViere, Galey, Lee, Marcus, Murdock and Sawyer:

S.B. 602, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR STREAM DEBRIS REMOVAL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford, Garrett, Batch (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Murdock and Robinson:

S.B. 603, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC RECOVERY FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Crawford (Primary Sponsor); Marcus and Murdock:

S.B. 604, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS NONACADEMIC BARRIERS TO SUCCESS GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE COMMUNITY COLLEGES GRANTS TO SUPPORT STUDENT ACADEMIC SUCCESS AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

By Senators B. Jackson, Sanderson, Edwards (Primary Sponsors); Ballard, Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Craven, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Ford, Galey, Jarvis, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lowe, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Sawyer, Steinburg and Woodard:

S.B. 605, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lazzara:

S.B. 606, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PURCHASED POWER RATES AND TERMS FOR LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION THAT INSTALL SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS AT SCHOOL FACILITIES IN ORDER TO ENHANCE THE ECONOMIC FEASIBILITY OF SUCH PROJECTS AND TO FACILITATE COMPLIANCE WITH G.S. 15C-521(C), WHICH REQUIRES THAT A LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION ADOPT LOCAL ENERGY-USE GOALS FOR BUILDING DESIGN AND OPERATION TO REDUCE THE IMPACT OF OPERATION COSTS ON LOCAL AND STATE BUDGETS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards and Krawiec (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 607, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING IMPROVEMENTS AND PROVIDING GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY WITH RESPECT TO NEEDLE AND HYPODERMIC SYRINGE EXCHANGE PROGRAMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Ballard and Hise (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 608, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING PROTEST PROCEDURES FOR THE AWARD OF STATE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Ballard (Primary Sponsor) and Lee:

S.B. 609, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE INNOVATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 610, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADDRESS THE STAFFING CRISIS IMPACTING INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES.

By Senator Mayfield:

S.B. 611, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS GOVERNING STOP-WORK ORDERS ISSUED UNDER THE SEDIMENTATION POLLUTION CONTROL ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Rabon (Primary Sponsor); deViere, Krawiec, Perry and Sawyer: S.B. 612, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE APPROVING AGENCY FOR VETERANS AND MILITARY EDUCATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS TO COMPLY WITH RECENT FEDERAL LEGISLATION PROHIBITING THE AGENCY FROM BEING COLLOCATED WITH A UNIVERSITY SYSTEM WHOSE COURSES OR PROGRAMS OF EDUCATION WOULD BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE AGENCY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus and Mayfield (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 613, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CREATING THE NORTH CAROLINA ANIMAL ABUSER REGISTRY AND RELATING TO FORFEITING OWNERSHIP OF AN ANIMAL TREATED CRUELLY, SO AS TO PROHIBIT A PERSON CONVICTED OF A REPEAT VIOLATION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS FROM OWNING AN ANIMAL FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED FIVE YEARS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus, Murdock, and Mayfield (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 614, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS FROM SALES TAX.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock, Nickel, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors) and Marcus:

S.B. 615, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE WAGES OF DIRECT CARE PROFESSIONALS SERVING CERTAIN MEDICAID BENEFICIARIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators McInnis, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Daniel, Jarvis, Krawiec, Perry, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 616, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PERSONS EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER TO PROVIDE AID TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER UPON REQUEST OF THE OFFICER AND TO CLARIFY THAT THE OFFENSE OF RESISTING A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER INCLUDES INTERFERING WITH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

By Senators Davis, Daniel, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Britt, deViere, Lee and Murdock:

S.B. 617, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN OF WARTIME VETERANS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO BE AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER CLASSES II AND III.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators McInnis, Rabon, Britt (Primary Sponsors); Perry and Sawyer:

S.B. 618, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR DRAINAGE DITCH CLEARING ACTIVITIES IN CERTAIN COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Perry, Steinburg (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Clark, deViere, Krawiec, Lazzara and Sawyer:

S.B. 619, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO GIVE PREFERENCE TO APPLICATIONS FOR STATE GRANTS IF THE GRANT WILL DIRECTLY BENEFIT TIER ONE OR TIER TWO COUNTIES THAT ALSO HAVE MILITARY INSTALLATIONS LOCATED IN THAT COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Daniel, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Britt, deViere, Krawiec, Lowe and Marcus:

S.B. 620, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION DAY IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis (Primary Sponsor); deViere and Lowe:

S.B. 621, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT A DEDICATED NORTH CAROLINA DEFENSE CYBER OFFICE IN THE NC MILITARY BUSINESS CENTER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators B. Jackson, Harrington, Hise (Primary Sponsors) and Clark:

S.B. 622, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE DEPARTMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND AGENCIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sawyer and Perry (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 623, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE PEER-TO-PEER VEHICLE SHARING FACILITATORS.

By Senators Ford, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Daniel, Hise, Jarvis, Krawiec and Steinburg:

S.B. 624, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO GUARANTEE A PERSON'S RIGHT TO WORK

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

BILL HELD AS FILED

S.B. 625 is ordered held as filed in the Senate Principal Clerk's Office.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS (continued)

By Senators Davis and Hise (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 626, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL RECREATION PROGRAM TAKE PRECAUTIONS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF ACTIVITY PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING PROVIDING CONCUSSION AWARENESS INFORMATION AND A RESPONSE PROTOCOL FOR CERTAIN ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Marcus (Primary Sponsor) and Chaudhuri:

S.B. 627, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENABLE NONPROFIT ENTITIES THAT DONATE REFURBISHED COMPUTERS TO LOW-INCOME STUDENTS IN THIS STATE TO OBTAIN SURPLUS COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AT LOW OR NO COST FROM THE STATE SURPLUS PROPERTY AGENCY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Rabon, McInnis (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Galey, Jarvis, Marcus and Mayfield:

S.B. 628, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE USE OF NATIVE NORTH CAROLINA PLANTS AND SEEDS ON STATE PROPERTY AND HIGHWAYS AND ON LOCAL PROJECTS THAT USE STATE FUNDS FOR LANDSCAPING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lowe, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Murdock and Nickel:

S.B. 629, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT FOSTERING NEW DEVELOPMENT IN THE EQUINE SECTOR OF THE AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY ALSO BOLSTERING ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IN NC FOR RETAIL MERCHANTS, RESTAURANTS AND LODGING, TRAVEL AND TOURISM, AND THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY.

By Senator Edwards:

S.B. 630, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPROVE BOATING SAFETY IN NORTH CAROLINA BY AMENDING THE BOATING WHILE INTOXICATED LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Krawiec and Lowe (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 631, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY PROVISIONS GOVERNING MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR, DEALERS, AND INSPECTIONS. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators Murdock, Batch, Salvador (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Marcus and Mayfield:

S.B. 632, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA MOMNIBUS ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock, Batch, Marcus (Primary Sponsors); Mayfield, Mohammed and Salvador:

S.B. 633, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADDRESSING PREGNANCY-RELATED DISCRIMINATION AND REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS IN THE WORKPLACE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock, Waddell, Foushee (Primary Sponsors); Mayfield, Mohammed and Salvador:

S.B. 634, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO EQUITY BEFORE BIRTH.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock, Foushee (Primary Sponsors) and Mayfield:

S.B. 635, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO MOBILIZING AFRICAN AMERICAN MOTHERS THROUGH EMPOWERMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Sanderson, Steinburg, Krawiec (Primary Sponsors); Ballard, Blue, Daniel, Ford, Harrington, Hise and Newton:

S.B. 636, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF CHARITABLE DONORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett and Robinson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 637, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND

SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR A GRANT-IN-AID TO GUILFORD COUNTY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FACILITY-BASED MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS CENTER FOR ADULTS.

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Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett, Woodard, Mayfield (Primary Sponsors); Marcus and Nickel:

S.B. 638, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO BAN THE MANUFACTURE, USE, AND DISTRIBUTION OF PFAS AND PFAS-CONTAINING PRODUCTS WITHIN THE STATE IN ORDER TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett and Lowe (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 639, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY THE COST AND FEASIBILITY OF A COMMUTER RAIL SERVICE LINKING DENSE POPULATION CENTERS IN THE NORTH CAROLINA PIEDMONT TRIAD.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lowe and Krawiec (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 640, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE POST-COVID-19 APPROPRIATION FUNDING TO CREATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR WINSTON-SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE WINSTON-SALEM COMMUNITY AT-LARGE THROUGH THE RENOVATION OF THE K.R. WILLIAMS AUDITORIUM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Galey and Hise:

S.B. 641, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ELIMINATING FROM CERTIFICATE OF NEED REVIEW PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS, INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES, AND OPIOID USE DISORDER TREATMENT CENTERS LOCATED IN TIER ONE AND TIER TWO COUNTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Garrett:

S.B. 642, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE TECHNOLOGY AND DATA INSTITUTE TO OPERATE A PILOT PROGRAM TO EXPAND HIGH-SPEED INTERNET ACCESS TO STUDENTS OF LOW-INCOME FAMILIES IN CENTRAL NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett, Batch, Crawford (Primary Sponsors); Chaudhuri, deViere, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock and Nickel:

S.B. 643, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE INVEST NC BOND ACT OF 2021.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Britt, Perry, and Newton (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 644, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Daniel, and Sanderson (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 645, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE SBI TO USE A PEN REGISTER OR TRAP AND TRACE DEVICE IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Chaudhuri, Woodard, Foushee (Primary Sponsors); Marcus, Murdock, Nickel and Salvador:

S.B. 646, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LEGALIZE AND REGULATE THE SALE, POSSESSION, AND USE OF CANNABIS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Chaudhuri, Mohammed, Murdock (Primary Sponsors); J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Nickel, Robinson and Salvador:

S.B. 647, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO DEVELOP POLICIES PROHIBITING THE USE OF RACIAL PROFILING IN TRAFFIC STOPS AND SEARCHES, TO REQUIRE THE SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL TO GATHER AND STUDY DATA REGARDING TRAFFIC STOPS, AND TO CREATE A TRAFFIC STOP ADVISORY BOARD.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Chaudhuri, Batch, Britt (Primary Sponsors); deViere, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock and Nickel:

S.B. 648, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE EIGHT WEEKS OF PAID PARENTAL LEAVE TO ALL STATE EMPLOYEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Salvador, Newton, deViere (Primary Sponsors) and Murdock:

S.B. 649, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR INITIAL CAPITAL FOR DEVELOPING TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES AND VENTURES.

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By Senator Burgin:

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S.B. 650, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS LICENSING LAW GOVERNS RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Rabon:

S.B. 651, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE VETERINARY PRACTICE ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Woodard, and Lowe (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 652, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND FOR TARGETED RELIEF TO FIRE DEPARTMENTS LOCATED IN ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED AREAS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Ballard, Chaudhuri, and Lee (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 653, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM, THE EDUCATION LOTTERY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, AND THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE GRANT PROGRAM INTO THE NORTH CAROLINA NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIP FOR PUBLIC COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Ballard, Davis, and Lee (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 654, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Waddell (Primary Sponsor) and Murdock:

S.B. 655, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL IMPLICIT BIAS TRAINING REQUIREMENT FOR STATE OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Mohammed, Chaudhuri, Murdock (Primary Sponsors); Fitch, Lowe, Marcus, Robinson and Salvador:

S.B. 656, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CRIMINAL JUSTICE, POLICING, AND JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

By Senators Waddell and Bazemore (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 657, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW INDIVIDUALS CONVICTED OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE FELONY OFFENSES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP).

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Waddell, Bazemore (Primary Sponsors); Mayfield and Murdock: S.B. 658, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW INDIVIDUALS CONVICTED OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE FELONY OFFENSES WHO HAVE COMPLETED THEIR SENTENCES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) BENEFITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Waddell, Bazemore (Primary Sponsors); Lowe, Mayfield and Nickel:

S.B. 659, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ELIMINATE THE WAITLIST FOR THE NC PREKINDERGARTEN (NC PRE-K) PROGRAM STATEWIDE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lazzara, Britt, Nickel (Primary Sponsors); J. Jackson and Mohammed:

S.B. 660, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DISSEMINATION AND REMOVAL OR DESTRUCTION OF BOOKING PHOTOGRAPHS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis (Primary Sponsor); Lowe and Perry:

S.B. 661, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 662, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PERSONAL EDUCATION PLANS FOR STUDENTS AT THE REQUEST OF A PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 663, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE AN EMERGENCY RESERVE FOR THE NC PROMISE TUITION PLAN BUY DOWN.

By Senators Davis, Steinburg, Lowe (Primary Sponsors); Daniel, J. Jackson, Mohammed, Murdock and Robinson:

S.B. 664, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS TO SUPPORT CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA DESIGNATED AS HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Batch, Chaudhuri, Crawford (Primary Sponsors) and Marcus:

S.B. 665, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM THE UNLICENSED OPERATION OF MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES OR PROGRAMS PROVIDING SERVICES REQUIRING A LICENSE UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee, and upon a favorable report re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 419**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER PROJECTS AT NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 1.
- **S.B. 430**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR A REGIONAL FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING CENTER ON THE CAMPUS OF FAYETTEVILLE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 1.
- **S.B. 434**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA TROOPERS ASSOCIATION CAISSON UNIT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 1.
- S.B. 442, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE FOR HYPERBARIC OXYGEN THERAPY TREATMENT FOR NORTH CAROLINA VETERANS SUFFERING FROM TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (TBI) AND POSTTRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER (PTSD), referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 1.
- **S.B. 456**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE APPRENTICESHIP PILOT PROGRAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

- S.B. 461, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT, TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES BY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS AND FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS TO TARGET RACIAL AND ETHNIC HEALTH DISPARITIES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.
- S.B. 463, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO BEGIN DEPLOYMENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA FAMILIES ACCESSING SERVICES THROUGH TECHNOLOGY (NC FAST) CASE MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONALITY FOR THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM AND AGING AND ADULT SERVICES' PROGRAMS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.
- S.B. 464, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE YOUNG CHILDREN'S HEALTHY DEVELOPMENT THROUGH CONTINUED INVESTMENT IN THE NORTH CAROLINA PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN, INC., (SMART START) PROGRAM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.
- **S.B. 492**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE NORTH CAROLINA TEXTILE MUSEUM AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE SAME, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.
- **S.B. 500**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIRBORNE AND SPECIAL OPERATIONS MUSEUM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.
- S.B. 502, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS PROGRAM TO ESTABLISH INTERDISCIPLINARY HEALTH EDUCATION TEACHING HUBS AND TO STUDY IMPEDIMENTS TO THE AVAILABILITY OF COMMUNITY-BASED PRECEPTORS FOR STUDENTS IN RURAL AND UNDERSERVED AREAS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 6.
- **S.B. 523**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA BROADBAND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ELIGIBLE LOW-INCOME FAMILIES TO HELP MAKE BROADBAND ACCESS MORE AFFORDABLE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

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- S.B. 521, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ELIGIBLE COUNTIES TO USE FUNDS FROM THE NEEDS-BASED PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL FUND FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING RENOVATIONS AND TO ALLOW FOR FUNDS FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING CAPITAL FUND TO BE USED FOR CERTAIN LEASE AGREEMENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 6.
- **S.B. 524**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST SMALL BUSINESSES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.
- **S.B. 525**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO NC STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.
- **S.B. 526**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A TIME FOR SCIENCE IN PITT COUNTY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.
- **S.B. 527**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE LOST SHEEP RESOURCE FOUNDATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.
- **S.B. 528**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS IN GREENE COUNTY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.
- **S.B. 533**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE STATE AGENCIES TO ELIMINATE ALL POSITIONS WITHIN THE AGENCY THAT HAVE BEEN VACANT FOR AT LEAST TWELVE MONTHS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.
- S.B. 537, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, TO EXPAND THE NORTH CAROLINA INFANT SAFE SLEEP PROGRAM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 6.
- **S.B. 544**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR EXPERTISE AND TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOCATED WITHIN THE STATE TO ADDRESS PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES, INCLUDING GENX, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

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- **S.B. 559**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE HISTORIC ORANGE STREET SCHOOL BUILDING IN FAYETTEVILLE AND FOR DIGITALIZATION AND PRESERVATION OF THE AFRICAN AMERICAN PICTORIAL WALL, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 561**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAID BY THE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR VICTIMS OF RAPE AND SEX OFFENSES TO A MEDICAL FACILITY OR MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL FOR FORENSIC MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 577**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA BLACK WOMEN AND GIRLS TASK FORCE AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE TASK FORCE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 590**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE EASTERN TRIAD WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS COLLABORATIVE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 597**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PAY OFF THE PRINCIPAL OF WATER AND SEWER BONDS THAT WERE USED TO SET UP INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE PRISON, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 602**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR STREAM DEBRIS REMOVAL, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 610**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADDRESS THE STAFFING CRISIS IMPACTING INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 618**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR DRAINAGE DITCH CLEARING ACTIVITIES IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 621**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT A DEDICATED NORTH CAROLINA DEFENSE CYBER OFFICE IN THE NC MILITARY BUSINESS CENTER, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

- **S.B. 622**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE DEPARTMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND AGENCIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 634**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO EQUITY BEFORE BIRTH, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B.** 635, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO MOBILIZING AFRICAN AMERICAN MOTHERS THROUGH EMPOWERMENT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- S.B. 637, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR A GRANT-IN-AID TO GUILFORD COUNTY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FACILITY-BASED MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS CENTER FOR ADULTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 7.
- S.B. 640, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE POST-COVID-19 APPROPRIATION FUNDING TO CREATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR WINSTON-SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE WINSTON-SALEM COMMUNITY AT-LARGE THROUGH THE RENOVATION OF THE K.R. WILLIAMS AUDITORIUM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 7.
- **S.B. 642**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE TECHNOLOGY AND DATA INSTITUTE TO OPERATE A PILOT PROGRAM TO EXPAND HIGH-SPEED INTERNET ACCESS TO STUDENTS OF LOW-INCOME FAMILIES IN CENTRAL NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B. 652**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND FOR TARGETED RELIEF TO FIRE DEPARTMENTS LOCATED IN ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED AREAS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.
- **S.B.** 661, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

S.B. 663, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE AN EMERGENCY RESERVE FOR THE NC PROMISE TUITION PLAN BUY DOWN, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

S.B. 664, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS TO SUPPORT CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA DESIGNATED AS HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FORTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, April 8, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County, as follows:

"Dear heavenly Father, we are just grateful for another day, for the beautiful sunshine, and just for the opportunity to continue to serve this state, but also really just wholeheartedly serve you in all that we do. May we honor and glorify you, may we make your name known, and may we just be bold and courageous with every decision that lies before us. We thank you for your presence, and we thank you for your richness and mercy and grace, and we are just—strive to be like you in all that we do. So, just protect us, keep us safe. In your name I pray. Amen."

Senator Ballard announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 7, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon her motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ballard, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 12:02 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, April 12, at 4:00 p.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Krawiec, Burgin, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Barnes and Jarvis:

S.B. 666, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT UPDATING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES; AND AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC FILINGS OF ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Batch, and Lazzara (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 667, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING A CERTIFICATE OF RELIEF FOR CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Burgin:

S.B. 668, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LAWS; TO INSTITUTE A FIVE-YEAR MORATORIUM ON LAWSUITS AND CONTESTED CASES BY LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS AGAINST THE STATE REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ANTI-PENSION SPIKING CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP; TO REQUIRE AN ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES DURING THE MORATORIUM ON PENSION SPIKING LITIGATION INITIATED BY SCHOOL SYSTEMS THAT INCLUDES AN ACCOUNTING OF LEGAL FEES PAID BY BOTH SIDES; AND TO REQUIRE AN ASSESSMENT OF THE FEASIBILITY OF RESOLVING DISPUTES REGARDING PENSION-SPIKING USING BINDING ARBITRATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel, Murdock, and Marcus (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 669, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL CANNABIS ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin (Primary Sponsor) and Marcus:

S.B. 670, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE AND OTHER ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE CONSUMER EDUCATION AND ADOPTION PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee, Ballard, Galey (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Daniel, Harrington and Jarvis:

S.B. 671, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Nickel, Mohammed, Murdock (Primary Sponsors) and Marcus:

S.B. 672, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN BENEFICIARIES OF THE FEDERAL DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS INITIATIVE TO RECEIVE IN-STATE TUITION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN THIS STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel, Murdock, Foushee (Primary Sponsors) and Bazemore:

S.B. 673, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT INCREASING THE REGULAR MINIMUM WAGE TO FIFTEEN DOLLARS PER HOUR BY 2023, INCREASING AND PHASING OUT THE TIPPED EMPLOYEE MINIMUM WAGE THROUGH 2025, PROVIDING FOR INFLATIONARY ADJUSTMENTS TO THE MINIMUM WAGE BASED UPON INCREASES IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, REPEALING THE SUBMINIMUM WAGE FOR SPECIFIED WORKERS, AND REPEALING EXEMPTIONS FROM THE MINIMUM WAGE FOR AGRICULTURAL AND DOMESTIC WORKERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Nickel:

S.B. 674, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPOSE A CARBON EMISSIONS TAX.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Britt:

S.B. 675, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD TWO ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDERS TO THE ROBESON COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE IN PUBLIC DEFENDER DISTRICT 16B.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock, Crawford (Primary Sponsors); Mohammed and Nickel: S.B. 676, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE HUNGER-FREE CAMPUS INITIATIVE FOR UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUSES TO RESPOND TO THE IMPACTS ON STUDENTS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR THE PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Davis, Britt, and Steinburg (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 677, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NC HOPE TUITION WAIVER PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN STUDENTS GRADUATING FROM COOPERATIVE INNOVATIVE HIGH SCHOOLS WHO ATTEND AN NC PROMISE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTION.

By Senator Edwards:

S.B. 678, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY LEGISLATORS' AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES' ACCESS TO CERTAIN CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt (Primary Sponsor); Barnes and Jarvis:

S.B. 679, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING RETIRED MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO WORK FOR A COUNTY SHERIFF AFTER RETIREMENT, WITHOUT ANY LIMITATIONS ON THE AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION THE RETIREE MAY EARN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Britt, Daniel, and McInnis (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 680, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ONLINE NOTARIZATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Woodard and Mayfield (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 681, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE QUALIFYING INCOME THRESHOLD FOR EXEMPTION FROM CHARITABLE SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS, TO MODIFY THE DEADLINES FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS, AND TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE AND CERTAIN FINANCIAL REPORTS BE NOTARIZED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators deViere, Chaudhuri, Foushee (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, Crawford, Marcus and Salvador:

S.B. 682, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF CITIZENS REVIEW BOARDS TO INVESTIGATE OR REVIEW ALLEGATIONS OF CERTAIN MISCONDUCT BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry (Primary Sponsor); Barnes and Lee:

S.B. 683, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ADOPT RULES CONCERNING PREHOSPITAL STROKE PROTOCOLS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin and Corbin (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 684, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA TEACHING FELLOWS PROGRAM TO ALLOW STUDENTS TO PURSUE ANY AREA OF TEACHING LICENSURE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE PROGRAM, TO PRIORITIZE APPLICANTS WHO HAVE ASSOCIATE DEGREES WITH A CONCENTRATION IN TEACHER

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EDUCATION, AND TO CREATE A PRIORITY FOR FORGIVENESS FOR STUDENTS WHO ATTEND A COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH A PARTICIPATING INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION WHEN PURSUING TEACHER LICENSURE OR WHO WORK IN A SCHOOL LOCATED IN A TIER ONE DEVELOPMENT AREA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Corbin, Burgin (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Blue, Jarvis, McInnis and Newton:

S.B. 685, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY PRIVACY OF THE IDENTITY OF DONORS TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Lee and Galey (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 686, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT CERTAIN CALL CENTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE CLAWBACKS. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senators Britt, Perry, Johnson (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Daniel, Hise, Jarvis, Lazzara and Newton:

S.B. 687, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE CRITERIA FOR RESTORATION OF FIREARMS RIGHTS TO ALLOW RESTORATION IF THE PETITIONER WAS CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE CONSTITUTING A MISDEMEANOR SO LONG AS TEN YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE THE DATE OF CONVICTION OR THE DATE WHEN ANY ACTIVE SENTENCE, PERIOD OF PROBATION, OR POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION HAS BEEN SERVED FOR THE OFFENSE; TO ALLOW THE FILING AND GRANTING OF A PETITION BY A PERSON WHO WAS CONVICTED OF A NONVIOLENT FELONY IN A JURISDICTION OTHER THAN NORTH CAROLINA IF TEN YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE THE DATE THE PERSON BECAME ELIGIBLE TO HAVE THE PERSON'S CIVIL RIGHTS AUTOMATICALLY RESTORED; AND TO ALLOW THE PURCHASE OF A HANDGUN WITHOUT A PISTOL PURCHASE PERMIT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Perry, Lowe (Primary Sponsors); Crawford, deViere, Fitch, Garrett, Harrington, Johnson, Lazzara, McInnis, Murdock, Nickel, Rabon, Salvador and Woodard:

S.B. 688, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE SPORTS WAGERING IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Corbin, Hise, Foushee (Primary Sponsors) and Barnes:

S.B. 689, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE EXPANSION OF BROADBAND SERVICE IN UNSERVED AREAS OF THE STATE BY ENSURING TIMELY AND NONDISCRIMINATORY ACCESS TO MUNICIPAL AND ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP COOPERATIVE UTILITY

POLES, DUCTS, AND CONDUITS AT JUST AND REASONABLE RATES; TO AUTHORIZE COUNTIES TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO HIGH-SPEED INTERNET ACCESS SERVICE PROVIDERS AND TO BUILD FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT OF A BROADBAND SERVICE AND TO LEVY TAXES FOR THOSE PURPOSES; TO FURTHER DEFINE THE TERM "CITY UTILITY POLE"; TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN FEES FOR THE COLLOCATION OF SMALL WIRELESS FACILITIES; AND TO MAKE RELATED CHANGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Alexander:

S.B. 690, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL FOR WOMEN ADVISORY BOARD, STATE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND NORTH CAROLINA INTERNSHIP COUNCIL BY PROVIDING APPOINTMENTS BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Alexander:

S.B. 691, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADJUSTING THE ENROLLMENT FEE FOR ACCREDITED DRUG EDUCATION SCHOOLS TO ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION; CLARIFYING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES WITH RESPECT TO DRUG EDUCATION SCHOOLS; AND MAKING TECHNICAL AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO THE STATUTE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Burgin, Krawiec, Perry (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Galey, Jarvis and Lazzara:

S.B. 692, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND FOR RECEIVING OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS AND SPECIFYING HOW AND WHEN THESE FUNDS MAY BE USED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Jarvis, Krawiec, and Edwards (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 693, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS; TO EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CREATE A PRESUMPTION THAT FOSTER PARENTS WITH WHOM A CHILD HAS LIVED CONTINUOUSLY FOR NINE MONTHS ARE DEEMED NONRELATIVE KIN; AND TO CREATE AN AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCE FOR THE EXPOSURE TO UNLAWFUL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN UTERO OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES USED IN VIOLATION OF THE LAW IN UTERO.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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By Senators Murdock, Lowe (Primary Sponsors) and Bazemore:

S.B. 694, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE BLACK FARMER RESTORATION PROGRAM TO PURCHASE FARMLAND ON THE OPEN MARKET AND GRANT IT TO ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS, TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS FOR THE PROGRAM, AND TO ESTABLISH THE "FARM CONSERVATION CORPS" TO PROVIDE TRAINING IN AN ON-FIELD ENVIRONMENT FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED RESIDENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Jarvis, Lee, and Ballard (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 695, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT A STATEWIDE MEDICAL ACTION PLAN FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Mayfield:

S.B. 696, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM EXPOSURE TO RADON BY INCLUDING STANDARDS FOR RADON MITIGATION SYSTEMS IN THE STATE BUILDING CODE AND BY DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ISSUE REPORTING AND TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR RADON GAS IN STRUCTURES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Alexander, Steinburg (Primary Sponsors); Britt, Hise and Johnson:

S.B. 697, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STANDARDIZE THE DISMISSAL OF MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Murdock and Mayfield (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 698, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS TO STUDENTS IN LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS AND TO INCREASE ACCESS TO FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN NORTH CAROLINA DIAPER BANKS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett, Marcus, Murdock (Primary Sponsors) and Mohammed: **S.B. 699**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE PERSONS CAUSING OR CONTRIBUTING TO CONTAMINATION RESPONSIBLE FOR COSTS OF CLEANUP AND PROVISION OF ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLIES TO PERSONS WITH WATER SUPPLIES AFFECTED BY SUCH CONTAMINATION.

By Senators Edwards, Krawiec, Hise (Primary Sponsors); Barnes, Daniel, Galey, Jarvis, Newton and Steinburg:

S.B. 700, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE BALANCED POLITICAL VIEWPOINTS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL INSTRUCTION AND TO REQUIRE THE ONLINE DISPLAY OF INFORMATION ABOUT INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel, Garrett, and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 701, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REPEALING THE PROHIBITION ON PUBLIC EMPLOYEE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel, Garrett (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore and Murdock: **S.B. 702**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STATE GOAL OF ONE HUNDRED PERCENT CLEAN ENERGY BY 2050 AND TO PROMOTE THE CREATION OF GREEN JOBS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards, Burgin (Primary Sponsors) and Batch:

S.B. 703, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE OF FATALITY PREVENTION CHILD WITHIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, TO SERVE AS THE LEAD AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSEEING COORDINATION OF STATE-LEVEL SUPPORT FUNCTIONS FOR THE ENTIRE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD FATALITY PREVENTION SYSTEM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE; ESTABLISHING A TRANSITION PLAN FOR SHIFTING STATE SUPPORT OF THE CHILD FATALITY PREVENTION SYSTEM TO THE STATE OFFICE OF CHILD FATALITY PREVENTION; CREATING AND SUPPORTING A CENTRALIZED DATA AND REPORTING SYSTEM; RESTRUCTURING EXISTING CHILD DEATH REVIEW TEAMS; MAKING MODIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO CHILD FATALITY PREVENTION SYSTEM STATUTES TO RESTRUCTURE CHILD DEATH REVIEW TEAMS, IMPLEMENT PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL CHILD DEATH REVIEW CASE REPORTING SYSTEM, AND CLARIFY THE FUNCTIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD FATALITY TASK FORCE; AND ESTABLISHING CITIZEN REVIEW PANELS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett, Lowe, and Foushee (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 704, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTIONS FROM LEAKING SOLID WASTE TRANSPORT VEHICLES.

By Senators Garrett, Batch, and Crawford (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 705, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Garrett, Crawford, and Batch (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 706, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Lee:

S.B. 707, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE AIRPORT AUTHORITIES AND OPERATORS WITH ADDITIONAL NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT IN THE ADOPTION OF LAND USE REGULATIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Garrett:

S.B. 708, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE ACCESS TO IDENTIFICATION CARDS FOR JUVENILES IN THE CUSTODY OF A DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Garrett:

S.B. 709, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING CLERKS OF COURT TO DISMISS INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT PROCEEDINGS AT ANY TIME PENDING A DISTRICT COURT HEARING UPON A DETERMINATION BY THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN THAT THE RESPONDENT NO LONGER MEETS THE CRITERIA FOR INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Nickel and Murdock (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 710, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT A TAX PLAN FOR A JUST RECOVERY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Rabon, Lee, Lowe (Primary Sponsors); deViere, Nickel and Woodard:

S.B. 711, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Waddell:

S.B. 712, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL IMPLICIT BIAS TRAINING REQUIREMENT FOR STATE OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators J. Jackson, Foushee, Waddell (Primary Sponsors); Bazemore, deViere, Marcus, Mohammed and Salvador:

S.B. 713, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO PROVIDE AN ONGOING, INCREASED SOURCE OF FUNDS ABOVE THE BASE BUDGET FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA PREKINDERGARTEN (NC PRE-K) PROGRAM AND THE NORTH CAROLINA PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN, INC., TO INCREASE THE REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR NC PRE-K SLOTS BY THREE PERCENT FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR, AND TO PROVIDE A TAX CREDIT TO CERTAIN EARLY EDUCATION TEACHERS AND DIRECTORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Alexander and Krawiec (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 714, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND CHILD EXPLOITATION PREVENTION ACT CONCERNING INDECENT DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES TO CREATE ONGOING DUTIES FOR RETAILERS OF INTERNET-ENABLED DEVICES, AND TO SET A CONTINGENCY ENACTMENT DATE THAT DEPENDS ON FIVE OTHER STATES PASSING SIMILAR LEGISLATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Edwards (Primary Sponsor); Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, deViere, Galey, Lee, Marcus, Mohammed and Woodard:

S.B. 715, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST HOSPITALITY BUSINESSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Ballard's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FORTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, April 12, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Mike Woodard, Senator from Durham County, as follows:

"Dear God, thy will. Nothing more, nothing less. Amen."

Senator B. Jackson announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, April 8, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, seconded by Senator Woodard, the Senate adjourns at 4:07 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, April 13, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- H.B. 73 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELAY THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO EXTEND THE DEFERRAL FOR CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 51** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWNS OF RIVER BEND AND TRENT WOODS SHALL BE HELD IN EVENNUMBERED YEARS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED IN 2019 BY ONE YEAR, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 194**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REESTABLISH STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 212**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BENNETT COLLEGE FOR THE NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 269** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN FILLING VACANCIES ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF DURHAM, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 315**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING LICENSED SELF-INSURERS TO OPERATE NONFLEET MOTOR VEHICLES, ALLOWING SELF-INSURANCE TO SERVE AS PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND REMOVING THE FLEET RESTRICTION FROM SELF-INSURED RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 323**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MONEYS DEPOSITED IN CERTAIN DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1 TO BE INVESTED THROUGH THE STATE TREASURER'S ANCILLARY GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT PROGRAM, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 339**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING MOTOR VEHICLE DISPLAYS TO INCLUDE DEALERS' CONTACT INFORMATION, with a favorable report.

MODIFICATION OF A 2021-2022 SENATE COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Rule 31, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, makes the following standing committee membership change:

Senator Woodard is appointed to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- H.B. 82, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH SCHOOL EXTENSION LEARNING RECOVERY AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS IN EACH LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON AT-RISK STUDENTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, April 9, 2021 S.L. 2021-7)
- **S.B. 387,** AN ACT TO MODIFY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA READ TO ACHIEVE PROGRAM IN ORDER TO ATTAIN STATEWIDE READING PROFICIENCY BY THE THIRD GRADE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, April 9, 2021 S.L. 2021-8)
- H.B. 53, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE STUDENT ATTENDANCE IN A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT FOR CHILDREN OF ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY DUE TO THE MILITARY ORDERS OF THE PARENT AND TO CLARIFY CONTINUOUS ENROLLMENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE DEPENDENTS OF MILITARY PERSONNEL ONCE THOSE STUDENTS ARE ADMITTED TO A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, April 9, 2021 S.L. 2021-9)

Pursuant to Senator B. Jackson's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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FORTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, April 13, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Johnson for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 347, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO CAPTIVE INSURANCE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 188, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15268, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

S.B. 202, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING THE ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES WHEN IT IS NOTIFIED OF A LAPSE IN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15267, which changes the title to read **S.B. 202** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING THE ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES WHEN IT IS NOTIFIED OF A LAPSE IN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, ALLOWING AN ELECTRONIC NOTICE OF A LAPSE IN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, CREATING A NEW ACTION BY THE DIVISION UPON PROOF OF SPECIFIC CIRCUMSTANCES, AND REQUIRING THE DIVISION TO CREATE A PLAN TO ALLOW ELECTRONIC RECEIPT OF FORMS FROM INSURANCE COMPANIES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

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Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 188 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, referred to the **Finance Committee** on April 13.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the **Finance Committee** and re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 226, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT EXTENDING THE DEADLINES FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORK KNOWN AS NC HEALTHCONNEX FOR CERTAIN PROVIDERS AND ENTITIES; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY AS AN ENFORCEMENT MECHANISM FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 347, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO CAPTIVE INSURANCE, referred to the **Rules and Operations** of the **Senate Committee** on April 13.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 415, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GREATER TRANSPARENCY IN HEALTH CARE SERVICES BILLING AND TO REDUCE BILLING THAT COMES AS A SURPRISE TO THE PATIENT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 435, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE NOTICE FOR EXPIRATIONS AND TERMINATIONS OF LOCAL PROHIBITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, AND STATES OF EMERGENCY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 1.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 448, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING, IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY OBJECTION BY THE COMMISSION FOR MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR THE AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM SCHEDULE VI OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 450, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 453, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR A CONSUMER TASTING IN AN ABC STORE SHALL BE ISSUED IN THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS LISTED ON THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 455, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DECRIMINALIZE NON-STATUTORY CRIMINAL OFFENSES AND VIOLATIONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 462, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND LOWER COSTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 465, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THAT DOORSTEP REFUSE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION CONTAINERS BE ALLOWED IN EXIT ACCESS CORRIDORS OF CERTAIN APARTMENT OCCUPANCIES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 468, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE SCIENCE-BASED RULEMAKING MORE OPEN, TRANSPARENT, AND AVAILABLE FOR CITIZEN REVIEW, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 474, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 488, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE USE OF DISCLAIMERS ON SIMULATED CHECKS OR INVOICES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 493, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY MULTILOCATION PROJECT ENHANCEMENT FOR THE JOB DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 505, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT NORTH CAROLINIANS FROM BECOMING VICTIMS OF SURPRISE BILLING BY OUT-OF-NETWORK HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE RENDERED HEALTH CARE SERVICES AT HEALTH SERVICES FACILITIES THAT ARE IN-NETWORK WITH AN INDIVIDUAL'S HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 539, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF A CONVICTION FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN A CHILD CUSTODY PROCEEDING, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 542, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 548, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 552, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT WHO MAY ADVERTISE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MINOR CHILD UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO ADOPTIONS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 570, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) (STAR RATING) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN OTHER FLEXIBILITIES WHEN THE ERS ASSESSMENTS RESUME, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 574, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A CHANGE OF BENEFICIARY UNDER A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY IF THAT BENEFICIARY WAS SELECTED UNDER FRAUDULENT CIRCUMSTANCES OR FALSE PRETENSES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 575, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CLINICAL PHARMACIST PRACTITIONERS AND IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO PRESCRIBE, DISPENSE, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 582, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AVAILABILITY OF ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS IN HIGH SCHOOL AFTER RECEIVING ONE SEMESTER OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE COURSES IN TEACHER PREPARATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 594, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS PROCESSES, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, AND MAKING VARIOUS TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM, AS REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 605, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Judiciary Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 608, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING PROTEST PROCEDURES FOR THE AWARD OF STATE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CONTRACTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 609, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE INNOVATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 628, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE USE OF NATIVE NORTH CAROLINA PLANTS AND SEEDS ON STATE PROPERTY AND HIGHWAYS AND ON LOCAL PROJECTS THAT USE STATE FUNDS FOR LANDSCAPING, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 651, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE VETERINARY PRACTICE ACT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 654, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 666, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT UPDATING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES; AND AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC FILINGS OF ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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S.B. 670, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE AND OTHER ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE CONSUMER EDUCATION AND ADOPTION PROGRAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 671, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 675, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD TWO ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDERS TO THE ROBESON COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE IN PUBLIC DEFENDER DISTRICT 16B, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 694, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE BLACK FARMER RESTORATION PROGRAM TO PURCHASE FARMLAND ON THE OPEN MARKET AND GRANT IT TO ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS, TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS FOR THE PROGRAM, AND TO ESTABLISH THE "FARM CONSERVATION CORPS" TO PROVIDE TRAINING IN AN ON-FIELD ENVIRONMENT FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED RESIDENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 217 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 25.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father God, we love you today and thank you. We know that we're to love one another, but most of all we need to love you. I pray that you will bless us here today. Guide and direct us. I pray for our Governor. I pray for our Lieutenant Governor. I pray for everyone in this room that you will bless us and guide and direct us, Father. We praise you in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, April 12, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Blue, Senator Harrington, Senator Lee, and Senator Lowe.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 51 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWNS OF RIVER BEND AND TRENT WOODS SHALL BE HELD IN EVENNUMBERED YEARS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF TOWN OFFICERS ELECTED IN 2019 BY ONE YEAR, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 194, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REESTABLISH STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 269 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN FILLING VACANCIES ON THE CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF DURHAM, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 212, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BENNETT COLLEGE FOR THE NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, upon second reading.

Upon the appearance of Senator Lowe in the chamber, the Chair acknowledges his presence and the leave of absence granted previously is withdrawn.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 315, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING LICENSED SELF-INSURERS TO OPERATE NONFLEET MOTOR VEHICLES, ALLOWING SELF-INSURANCE TO SERVE AS PROOF OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND REMOVING THE FLEET RESTRICTION FROM SELF-INSURED RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 323, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MONEYS DEPOSITED IN CERTAIN DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1 TO BE INVESTED THROUGH THE STATE TREASURER'S ANCILLARY GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT PROGRAM, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 339, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING MOTOR VEHICLE DISPLAYS TO INCLUDE DEALERS' CONTACT INFORMATION, upon second reading.

Without objection, Senator Burgin is excused from voting on the bill due to the fact that the bill involves car dealerships.

The bill passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 73 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELAY THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO EXTEND THE DEFERRAL FOR CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 4:34 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, April 14, at 9:30 a.m.

REMOVAL OF A BILL SPONSOR

Senator Foushee requests to be removed as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 349, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE REFORMS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ZONING STATUTES.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FORTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, April 14, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Steve Jarvis, Senator from Davidson County.

Senator Lazzara announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, April 13, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Lazzara, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, April 15, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

A bill filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators J. Jackson, Mohammed, Salvador (Primary Sponsors); Batch, Crawford, deViere, Foushee, Garrett, Marcus, Mayfield and Waddell:

S.B. 716, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 DECENNIAL CENSUS, AMENDING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE FOR AN INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING PROCESS, ESTABLISHING THE NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION, AND MAKING CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE REDISTRICTING LAWS; REENACTING LEGISLATION THAT ESTABLISHED A NONPARTISAN METHOD OF ELECTING SUPREME COURT JUSTICES AND COURT OF APPEALS JUDGES BEGINNING IN 2022; EXTENDING THE WAITING PERIOD FOR FORMER LEGISLATORS WHO BECOME LOBBYISTS; PROVIDING FOR ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION AND AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION; INCREASING TRANSPARENCY IN THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS BY REQUIRING FORTY-EIGHT HOURS' NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF ALL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES AND DIRECTING THE LEGISLATIVE SERVICES OFFICER TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO PROVIDE LIVE VIDEO AND AUDIO STREAMING OF ALL MEETINGS OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS MEETING IN THE LEGISLATIVE COMPLEX; ENSURING VOTING PLACES ON CERTAIN COLLEGE CAMPUSES; PROHIBITING VOTER ROLL PURGING; MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS REGARDING TRANSPARENCY IN **SOURCES** OF SPENDING, ADVERTISEMENT CAMPAIGNS, PROTECTIONS AGAINST FOREIGN INTERFERENCE IN ELECTIONS, AND LIMITING SUPER INFLUENCE; AND REESTABLISHING PUBLIC FINANCING FOR JUDICIAL CAMPAIGNS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 137 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER, with a favorable report.

H.B. 138, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF APRIL OF EACH YEAR AS WOUNDED HEROES DAY IN HONOR OF ARMY SGT. MICHAEL VERARDO, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 159** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES, with a favorable report.
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By Senator Ballard for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 390, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ENROLL IN AS MANY COURSES PER YEAR AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 243 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE EFFICIENCY AND FLEXIBILITY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH TEMPORARY SALARY REDUCTIONS, EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40355, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator McInnis for the Transportation Committee:

H.B. 156 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION AND TO EXTEND DMV EMERGENCY RULE AUTHORITY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Burgin for the Health Care Committee:

S.B. 248, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF THE DATA AND METHODOLOGIES USED BY DENTAL SERVICES BENEFIT PLANS BY WHICH DENTISTS ARE SUBJECT TO RATING OR PROFILING SYSTEMS OR DESIGNATIONS TO ENSURE ACCURATE, FAIR, AND USEFUL RATING OF THOSE DENTISTS AND TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IDENTIFICATION CARDS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35264, which changes the title to read **S.B. 248** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IDENTIFICATION CARDS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee.

By Senator Sanderson for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 188 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

S.B. 183, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING

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Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35265, which changes the title to read S.B. 183 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 17, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO THE 7TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on January 28.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 316, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FOR PLUMBING, HEATING, FIRE SPRINKLER, AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 18.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 329, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN SMALL PROJECTS FROM ARCHITECTURAL BUILDING CODE AND BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 23.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 398, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INDEMNIFY THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND THE WILMINGTON URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR MAP ACT DAMAGES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 421, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR RECENT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 1.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 449, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE LAWS GOVERNING MANUFACTURED HOME TITLES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 482, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE A SITE DEVELOPMENT REVOLVING ASSISTANCE FUND, referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 494, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AND ENHANCE THE ONE NORTH CAROLINA SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 501, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF ADULT CORRECTION, TO CREATE THE DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 517, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE PREPARATION OF STATEWIDE BROADBAND MAPS AND TO ESTABLISH THE DEPARTMENT AS THE SOLE SOURCE OF BROADBAND MAPPING FOR STATE AGENCIES; RELIEVE REGULATORY BURDENS TO EXPEDITE BROADBAND EXPANSION; ALLOW FOR USE OF EXISTING EASEMENTS FOR BROADBAND EXPANSION; EXPAND DISTRIBUTION OF STATE SURPLUS COMPUTERS AND COMPUTER HARDWARE FOR NONPROFITS; ALLOW LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEASING OF EXISTING BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE; EXPAND FUNDING FOR G.R.E.A.T. PROGRAM BROADBAND GRANTS; AND PROVIDE STOPGAP INTERNET ACCESS FOR CLASSROOM ACCESS, HEALTH CARE ACCESS, AND JOB CREATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 695, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT A STATEWIDE MEDICAL ACTION PLAN FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the Education/Higher Education Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the **Senate Committee.**

S.B. 707, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE AIRPORT AUTHORITIES AND OPERATORS WITH ADDITIONAL NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT IN THE ADOPTION OF LAND USE REGULATIONS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate **Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 715, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ASSIST HOSPITALITY BUSINESSES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 30, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PURPOSES OF ENGAGING IN BEACH EROSION CONTROL AND FLOOD AND HURRICANE PROTECTION WORKS, referred to the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 18.

The bill is re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 164 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ROCKWELL, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 29.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 367, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OR CONSTRUCTION AND THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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Pursuant to Senator Lazzara's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FORTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, April 15, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

RECESS

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 20 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT CONNECTIONS TO WATER SUPPLY LINES FUNDED BY THE CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL GAS CRITICAL NEEDS BOND ACT OF 1998.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 32 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE EQUITY IN OPPORTUNITY ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 125, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CERTAIN SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 352 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT OCCUPANTS OF ACCOMMODATIONS PROVIDED BY HOTELS, MOTELS, OR SIMILAR LODGINGS DO NOT CREATE A TENANCY AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO CHAPTER 42 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO CLARIFY THAT THESE OCCUPANCIES ARE GOVERNED BY THE STATUTES RELATING TO INNS, HOTELS, AND OTHER TRANSIENT OCCUPANCIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- H.B. 201, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS TO ALIGN THE SCHOOL CALENDARS OF THOSE UNITS WITH LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGES. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- **H.B. 10** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO OPERATE, OWN, LEASE, SUBLEASE, CONTROL, REGULATE, AND/OR GRANT TO OTHERS THE RIGHT TO OPERATE GOLF COURSES ON AIRPORT PREMISES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 64, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD MEMBERS TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NCWORKS COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- **H.B. 101**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING HAYWOOD COUNTY AS THE ELK CAPITAL OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.
- **H.B. 141** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE LOCAL SAWMILLS BY ALLOWING THE USE OF UNGRADED LUMBER IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 163 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 168 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES RELATED TO CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LGERS) AND THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TSERS); CLARIFYING WITHDRAWAL LIABILITIES UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; CLARIFYING AND STANDARDIZING THE DEFINITION OF "ACTUARIAL EQUIVALENT" UNDER LGERS AND TSERS: REOUIRING EMPLOYING UNITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES FOR SPECIAL SEPARATION BUYOUTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; GIVING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES UNDER CERTAIN PLANS; CLAWING BACK DISABILITY INCOME PLAN OVERPAYMENTS UNDER THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM; AND ADDRESSING SPECIAL RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS UPON THE DEATH OF THE DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 194, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FEDERAL COURT OFFICIALS TO CARRY CONCEALED WEAPONS IN THE SAME MANNER AS STATE JUDGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 228 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFINE A POSSESSOR'S LIABILITY FOR BODIES OF WATER ON THE POSSESSOR'S LAND REGARDING CHILD TRESPASSERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 244 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 263, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY COUNCIL TO DELEGATE TO THE CITY'S PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION THE AUTHORITY TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 285 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DRIVER INSTRUCTION ON THE EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEMS FOR RAILROAD TRAIN EMERGENCIES AND TO CREATE A CRIMINAL OFFENSE FOR THE MISUSE OF THE EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 341 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING IMPERSONATION OF AN ACTUAL PERSON OVER THE INTERNET FOR CERTAIN UNLAWFUL PURPOSES A CLASS H FELONY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Lord, thank you for providing streams in the desert. Thank you for refreshing us in the wilderness—because of this pandemic and because of the unrest that's going on in Brooklyn [Center] and various places in the United States, we have all felt that we are in the midst of a wilderness. We thank you for providing for all our needs, according to your riches and glory. And we stand in faith and faithfulness to you. It is to you that we pray, it is you that we believe in, and it is in you that we know will bring us out. In Jesus' name we pray. And all the people said, 'Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 14, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Harrington, and Senator Steinburg.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 233 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE LIST OF COUNTIES THAT HAVE AN OPEN SEASON FOR TAKING FOXES AND COYOTES DURING CERTAIN ANNUAL TRAPPING SEASONS, upon second reading.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Britt.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 159 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (45-1) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 202 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING THE ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES WHEN IT IS NOTIFIED OF A LAPSE IN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, ALLOWING AN ELECTRONIC NOTICE OF A LAPSE IN FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, CREATING A NEW ACTION BY THE DIVISION UPON PROOF OF SPECIFIC CIRCUMSTANCES, AND REQUIRING THE DIVISION TO CREATE A PLAN TO ALLOW ELECTRONIC RECEIPT OF FORMS FROM INSURANCE COMPANIES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 137 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER, upon second reading.

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The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 138, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF APRIL OF EACH YEAR AS WOUNDED HEROES DAY IN HONOR OF ARMY SGT. MICHAEL VERARDO, upon second reading.

Upon motion of Senator Alexander, the words spoken on H.B. 138 are spread upon the Journal as follows:

SENATOR JOHNSON: "While I have never been bashful about expressing my pride in representing Union County in this illustrious body, I am equally as proud to consider Michael and Sarah Verardo of Union County my friends. Their service and the service of many other men and women, past and present, are the reason we enjoy our freedoms today. North Carolina is home to more than 155,000 disabled veterans. On April 24, 2010, while on foot patrol as an infantryman with the 82nd Airborne in Afghanistan, Sergeant Verardo was wounded by an IED, causing him to lose his leg and much of his left arm, withstand severe burns, and suffer a traumatic brain injury, along with many other injuries. Now fast-forward nine years to the day-April 24, 2019-Sergeant Verardo underwent his 120th surgery and also celebrated his ninth 'Alive Day.' An Alive Day is the anniversary of when a service member suffered catastrophic wounds in combat nearly resulting in death. This gentleman, my friend, with the help of his family, friends, and many others has overcome unimaginable challenges and obstacles. These horrific experiences are not unique to only Sergeant Verardo. There are countless other men and women that have been severely wounded protecting the freedoms that we so often take for granted. With this bill, April 24th will be designated to honor these heroes, as it will be known as the 'Wounded Heroes Day' in North Carolina. To the men and women in this chamber and throughout this great land that have served, I am grateful for your service. Members, I would greatly appreciate your support for this bill. Mr. President, I will entertain any questions."

The bill passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

CONVEYANCE OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, H.B. 137 and H.B. 138 will be sent to the Governor by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 12:30 p.m., in remembrance of the Halifax Resolves, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, April 19, at 4:00 p.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- H.B. 156 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION AND TO EXTEND DMV EMERGENCY RULE AUTHORITY, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 243 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE EFFICIENCY AND FLEXIBILITY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH TEMPORARY SALARY REDUCTIONS, EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS, with a favorable report.
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- **S.B. 390**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ENROLL IN AS MANY COURSES PER YEAR AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES, with a favorable report.

By Senator McInnis for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 85, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE CORPORATIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35266, which changes the title to read **S.B. 85** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE PLANS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee**.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

April 15, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Philip E. Berger Senate President Pro Tempore 16 W. Jones Street, Room 2007 Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-2808

Dear Senator Berger:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 115C-10, I am pleased to nominate the following individuals to serve on the North Carolina State Board of Education and hereby submit their names for confirmation by the General Assembly:

- Ms. Melody Chalmers McClain of Cumberland County, Fourth Education District Representative
- Mr. Alan W. Duncan of Guilford County, Fifth Education District Representative
- Mr. Eric C. Davis of Mecklenburg County, Sixth Education District Representative
- Dr. Ronald K. Hargrave of Davie County, At-Large

I am grateful for their willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

> Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Tim Moore
The Honorable Mark Robinson
The Honorable Dan Blue

The Honorable Robert T. Reives II

Ms. Sarah Holland Mr. James White

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VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Philip E. Berger Senate President Pro Tempore 16 W. Jones Street, Room 2007 Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-2808

Dear Senator Berger:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 96-15.3 (c), I am pleased to nominate Larry D. Hall of Durham County to serve on the North Carolina Employment Security Board of Review for a term beginning on July 1, 2021 and hereby submit his name for confirmation by the General Assembly.

I am grateful for Mr. Hall's willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Tim Moore
The Honorable Mark Robinson
The Honorable Dan Blue

The Honorable Robert T. Reives II

Ms. Sarah Holland Mr. James White

April 15, 2021

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives April 15, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 73 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELAY THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO EXTEND THE DEFERRAL FOR CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 56,** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A CAPITAL PROJECT USING NON-GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT TRYON PALACE.
- **H.B. 137,** AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER.
- **H.B. 138,** AN ACT ADOPTING THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF APRIL OF EACH YEAR AS WOUNDED HEROES DAY IN HONOR OF ARMY SGT. MICHAEL VERARDO.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 452, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A PUBLIC UTILITY, ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION, AND TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION SHALL NOT IN ITS DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES BILL ANY PERSON OR COMPANY FOR SERVICE PROVIDED TO A HOUSEHOLD OR BUSINESS LOCATION THAT THE PERSON OR COMPANY DOES NOT OWN, LEASE, OR OCCUPY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

April 15, 2021

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 677, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NC HOPE TUITION WAIVER PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN STUDENTS GRADUATING FROM COOPERATIVE INNOVATIVE HIGH SCHOOLS WHO ATTEND AN NC PROMISE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FORTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, April 19, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:01 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 86 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT INCREASING THE DEATH BENEFIT FOR MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM WHO DIE WHILE IN SERVICE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE INCREASED DEATH BENEFIT, AND MAKING TECHNICAL CHANGES TO REORGANIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM DEATH BENEFIT STATUTE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 252 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND TO RECODIFY THE OFFENSE OF VEHICLE TAMPERING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 279 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS BASED ON INCOME, TO PROVIDE FOR THE NONACCRUAL OF INTEREST AND TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST A REFUND DUE TO THE EXTENSION OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PAYMENT AND FILING DEADLINE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 328 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN TRADES OR EXCHANGES OF LAWFULLY PURCHASED SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR WITHOUT OBTAINING A PERMIT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 361, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFERS TO OTHER SHELTERS OR ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS AS A PERMISSIBLE DISPOSITION OF LOST OR SURRENDERED ANIMALS, referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee on March 31, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The bill is withdrawn from the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 142, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING RESERVE FOR CERTAIN BUILDING PROJECTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 8, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO IMPLEMENT AN IN-STATE TUITION PILOT PROGRAM FOR RESIDENTS OF CERTAIN GEORGIA COUNTIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on January 28.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 99, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT, UNLESS THE CONDUCT IS COVERED UNDER ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW PROVIDING GREATER PUNISHMENT, LARCENY OF A CATALYTIC CONVERTER IS A CLASS I FELONY, TO REQUIRE SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS TO MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC RECORD OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FROM TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE SALE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, AND TO INCLUDE A FINE AS PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS INVOLVING THE PURCHASE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 16.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 201, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES ON OWNER-RETAINED SALVAGE FORMS AND ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 9.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 219, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR AND MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 10.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 345, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISION ARRANGEMENT OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LICENSURE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 372, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE CLASSIFICATIONS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING LICENSES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 388, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE EXEMPTION FOR FARMERS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN SALES BY A QUALIFYING FARMER FOR A ZOO, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 473, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 586, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY LIPEDEMA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 660, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DISSEMINATION AND REMOVAL OR DESTRUCTION OF BOOKING PHOTOGRAPHS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 279 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS BASED ON INCOME, TO PROVIDE FOR THE NONACCRUAL OF INTEREST AND TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST A REFUND DUE TO THE EXTENSION OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PAYMENT AND FILING DEADLINE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 19.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

A bill filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Newton, Daniel, Rabon (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Barnes, Britt, Corbin, Craven, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Perry and Sanderson:

S.B. 717, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE FOR TAXPAYER PROTECTIONS THAT LIMIT THE GROWTH OF STATE SPENDING TO INFLATION PLUS POPULATION GROWTH, REQUIRE YEARLY DEPOSITS IN A SAVINGS RESERVE OR UNFUNDED LIABILITY RESERVE, RETURN EXCESS REVENUE TO TAXPAYERS, AND SUBMIT TAX INCREASES TO A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives April 19, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the message from the House of Representatives on April 15, 2021, that the House failed to concur in **H.B. 73 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELAY THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO EXTEND THE DEFERRAL FOR CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Moffitt, Chair Representative Lambeth Representative Goodwin Representative Winslow and Representative Turner

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father God, we thank you for this day, and I thank you that I can put my trust in you that you can guide and direct me and all of us that are open to you, Father. Everything that we do should bring honor and glory to you. We thank you again for your grace, mercy, and love. We pray that you will guide and direct us. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, April 15, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Britt, and Senator Robinson.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 183 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE

A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Thursday, April 22.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 390, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ENROLL IN AS MANY COURSES PER YEAR AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 156 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION AND TO EXTEND DMV EMERGENCY RULE AUTHORITY, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 243 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE EFFICIENCY AND FLEXIBILITY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH TEMPORARY SALARY REDUCTIONS, EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS, upon second reading.

Senator Lee offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (47-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (29-18) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Nickel submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "HONORING DR. THANI KUMAR CHERAN." Upon motion of Senator Nickel, without objection, the Senatorial Statement is spread upon the Journal. (See Appendix.)

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Perry, the Senate adjourns at 7:29 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, April 20, at 9:30 a.m.

FORTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, April 20, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us—another day that we should use to honor and praise and lift you up. We thank you for all that you do for us here in this great state. Continue to bless us. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, April 19, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, April 21, at 9:30 a.m.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 156, AN ACT TO AMEND STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION AND TO EXTEND DMV EMERGENCY RULE AUTHORITY.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of bills as follows:

S.B. 448, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING, IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY OBJECTION BY THE COMMISSION FOR MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR THE AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM SCHEDULE VI OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, referred to the **Judiciary Committee** on April 13, with a sequential referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

A sequential referral to the **Health Care Committee** is added between the existing referrals.

S.B. 574, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A CHANGE OF BENEFICIARY UNDER A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY IF THAT BENEFICIARY WAS SELECTED UNDER FRAUDULENT CIRCUMSTANCES OR FALSE PRETENSES, referred to the Judiciary Committee on April 13, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

A sequential referral to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** is added between the existing referrals.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 237, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE TO APPOINT A MEMBER NOMINATED BY THE ALLIANCE OF INSURANCE AGENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE REINSURANCE FACILITY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 299, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAINTAIN NAIC ACCREDITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE BY MAKING REVISIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE AND RESERVE FINANCING, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 16.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Edwards for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:

S.B. 389, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NATURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND CULTURAL RESOURCES LAWS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 410, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY AND HOLD REMOTE MEETINGS, EXCEPT AS LIMITED BY THE NONPROFIT, TO MAKE CHANGES RELATED TO REMOTE MEETINGS FOR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS AND HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATIONS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15270, which changes the title to read **S.B. 410** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY AND HOLD REMOTE MEETINGS, EXCEPT AS LIMITED BY THE NONPROFIT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 449, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE LAWS GOVERNING MANUFACTURED HOME TITLES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45398, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 539, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF A CONVICTION FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN A CHILD CUSTODY PROCEEDING, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45400, which changes the title to read **S.B. 539** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF A CONVICTION FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN A CHILD CUSTODY PROCEEDING AND TO EXPAND THE CONDUCT PROHIBITED BY THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING LAW, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.J.R. 603, A JOINT RESOLUTION INVITING HIS EXCELLENCY, GOVERNOR ROY COOPER, TO ADDRESS A JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 666, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT UPDATING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES; AND AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC FILINGS OF ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES, referred to the **Health Care Committee** on April 13, with a sequential referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

A sequential referral to the **Judiciary Committee** is added between the existing referrals.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 56, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A CAPITAL PROJECT USING NON-GENERAL FUND REVENUES TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT TRYON PALACE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, April 20, 2021 - S.L. 2021-10)

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

April 20, 2021

FIFTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, April 21, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for yet another day—a beautiful day—that you've given us, and we never take it for granted, Lord, or you either and your grace and love. We pray that you will be with us today during many, many meetings in this place. Bless everyone in this building. In Jesus name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, April 20, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, April 22, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.J.R. 718, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ADRIAN A. PHILLIPS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

S.B. 389, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NATURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND CULTURAL RESOURCES LAWS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 410** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY AND HOLD REMOTE MEETINGS, EXCEPT AS LIMITED BY THE NONPROFIT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 449** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE LAWS GOVERNING MANUFACTURED HOME TITLES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 539** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF A CONVICTION FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN A CHILD CUSTODY PROCEEDING AND TO EXPAND THE CONDUCT PROHIBITED BY THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING LAW, with a favorable report.

By Senator Perry for the **Health Care Committee**:

S.B. 85 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE PLANS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 345, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISION ARRANGEMENT OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LICENSURE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

S.B. 462, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND LOWER COSTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 570, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) (STAR RATING) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN OTHER FLEXIBILITIES WHEN THE ERS ASSESSMENTS RESUME, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 666, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT UPDATING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES; AND AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC FILINGS OF ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

By Senator Sawyer for the **Transportation Committee**:

S.B. 241, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45401, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Finance Committee:

H.B. 164 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ROCKWELL, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 217 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

H.B. 279 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS BASED ON INCOME, TO PROVIDE FOR THE NONACCRUAL OF INTEREST AND TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST A REFUND DUE TO THE EXTENSION OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PAYMENT AND FILING DEADLINE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 188 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 493, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY MULTILOCATION PROJECT ENHANCEMENT FOR THE JOB DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM, with a favorable report. Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Steinburg for the State and Local Government Committee:

H.B. 30, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PURPOSES OF ENGAGING IN BEACH EROSION CONTROL AND FLOOD AND HURRICANE PROTECTION WORKS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 435, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE NOTICE FOR EXPIRATIONS AND TERMINATIONS OF LOCAL PROHIBITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, AND STATES OF EMERGENCY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 346, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFINE AND CLARIFY THE PROCESS BY WHICH AN EXECUTIVE ORDER IS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45403, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 660, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DISSEMINATION AND REMOVAL OR DESTRUCTION OF BOOKING PHOTOGRAPHS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35267, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

April 21, 2021

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives April 21, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 243 Senate Committee Substitute (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE EFFICIENCY AND FLEXIBILITY TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH TEMPORARY SALARY REDUCTIONS, EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Hardister, Chair Representative Pickett and Representative Clemmons

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 370 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO EXPAND THE VETERANS JUSTICE INTERVENTION PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.J.R. 582 (Committee Substitute), A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS OF JULIANNA EARP, MARK DAVIS, MICHAEL ROBINSON, AND ADAM CONRAD AS SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 473, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT, referred to the State and Local Government Committee on April 19, with sequential referrals to the Judiciary Committee and the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The bill is withdrawn from the **State and Local Government Committee** and re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 35, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWFUL AGE TO ENTER INTO MARRIAGE IN THIS STATE TO 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 2.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 343, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY CERTAIN LAWS GOVERNING THE SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 376, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE THE ORIGINAL REVENUE DISTRIBUTION STRUCTURE OF THE NORTH CAROLINA EDUCATION LOTTERY AND TO ALLOW FUNDS IN THE NEEDS-BASED PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL FUND TO BE USED FOR REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS AND FOR THE RETIREMENT OF DEBT ASSOCIATED WITH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

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The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 379, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE AN UNREGISTERABLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 407, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING A COMPACT TO AWARD PRIZES FOR CURING DISEASES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 408, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD ETHICS (SAFE) ACT OF 2021, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 557, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT INCREASING THE PAY AND DEATH BENEFITS OF MEMBERS OF THE STATE HIGHWAY PATROL KILLED OR MURDERED IN THE LINE OF DUTY; AND REQUIRING THAT A JURY DECIDE THE DEFENDANT'S SENTENCE IN EVERY CASE INVOLVING THE MURDER OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 593, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARTIES TO SEEK IMMEDIATE JUDICIAL REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISIONS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION DUE PROCESS HEARINGS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 690, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL FOR WOMEN ADVISORY BOARD, STATE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND NORTH CAROLINA INTERNSHIP COUNCIL BY PROVIDING APPOINTMENTS BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 691, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADJUSTING THE ENROLLMENT FEE FOR ACCREDITED DRUG EDUCATION SCHOOLS TO ACCOUNT FOR INFLATION; CLARIFYING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES WITH RESPECT TO DRUG EDUCATION SCHOOLS; AND MAKING TECHNICAL AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO THE STATUTE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 693, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS; TO EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CREATE A PRESUMPTION THAT FOSTER PARENTS WITH WHOM A CHILD HAS LIVED CONTINUOUSLY FOR NINE MONTHS ARE DEEMED NONRELATIVE KIN; AND TO CREATE AN AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCE FOR THE EXPOSURE TO UNLAWFUL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN UTERO OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES USED IN VIOLATION OF THE LAW IN UTERO, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.J.R. 718, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ADRIAN A. PHILLIPS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 21.

The Joint Resolution is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Select Committee on Nominations.

H.J.R. 469, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF WANDA TAYLOR TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 1.

The Joint Resolution is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Select Committee on Nominations.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Hise for the **Redistricting and Elections Committee**:

S.B. 288, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN BURKE COUNTY AND THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45402, which changes the title to read **S.B. 288** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL BE HELD IN EVENNUMBERED YEARS AND TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 360, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE JOINT APPROVAL FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE BEFORE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY ENTER INTO A CONSENT JUDGMENT OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN A DISPUTE, CLAIM. OR CONTROVERSY IN WHICH THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE HAVE INTERVENED OR ARE OTHERWISE NAMED PARTIES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15271, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 342, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Transportation Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 137,** AN ACT TO DEDICATE THE AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES AS THE STEVE TROXLER AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES CENTER. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, April 21, 2021 S.L. 2021-11)
- **H.B. 138,** AN ACT ADOPTING THE TWENTY-FOURTH DAY OF APRIL OF EACH YEAR AS WOUNDED HEROES DAY IN HONOR OF ARMY SGT. MICHAEL VERARDO. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, April 21, 2021 S.L. 2021-12)

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FIFTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, April 22, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

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H.B. 145 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PROPERTY RIGHTS OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER BY ALLOWING THEM TO STORE THEIR FIREARMS WITH OR SELL THEIR FIREARMS THROUGH A QUALIFIED LICENSED FIREARMS DEALER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 245 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO SAVE NORTH CAROLINA TAXPAYER DOLLARS BY REQUIRING REDUCTIONS IN ENERGY AND WATER CONSUMPTION IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS BY 2028.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 366 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 425 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH JURISDICTION FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS FOR LAND THAT LIES WITHIN THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT JURISDICTION OF MORE THAN ONE LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 30**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PURPOSES OF ENGAGING IN BEACH EROSION CONTROL AND FLOOD AND HURRICANE PROTECTION WORKS, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 164 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ROCKWELL, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 279 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS BASED ON INCOME, TO PROVIDE FOR THE NONACCRUAL OF INTEREST AND TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST A REFUND DUE TO THE EXTENSION OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PAYMENT AND FILING DEADLINE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 85** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE PLANS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 241** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 435**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE NOTICE FOR EXPIRATIONS AND TERMINATIONS OF LOCAL PROHIBITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, AND STATES OF EMERGENCY, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Dear Lord, we just thank you so much for this time of year—for the weather that we are getting to enjoy and, Lord, the spring and new life, and we just thank you that the state of North Carolina is coming out of a terrible time. So, we pray for our citizens, Lord, we pray for those that have been dealing with Covid and Covid-related symptoms and the after-effects of dealing with this. Lord, as we look forward to summer and into fall, we just ask you to continue to bless the state, Lord, bless this body that the work we do be good work, Lord, that you would be happy with and that the citizens can look at and say that we are being true and faithful to you and to the state. So, thank you for this day, thank you for the blessings that you give us. We ask this in your Son, Jesus', name. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 21, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Alexander, Senator Mayfield, and Senator Proctor.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

H.J.R. 603, A JOINT RESOLUTION INVITING HIS EXCELLENCY, GOVERNOR ROY COOPER, TO ADDRESS A JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 20.

Pursuant to Rule 47(a), Senator Rabon offers a motion that the Joint Resolution be withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on today's calendar for immediate consideration, which motion prevails without objection, and the Chair so orders.

CALENDAR

Bills and a resolution on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.J.R. 603, A JOINT RESOLUTION INVITING HIS EXCELLENCY, GOVERNOR ROY COOPER, TO ADDRESS A JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE, upon second reading.

The Joint Resolution passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 183 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK REVISE MAXIMUM BLOOD SYSTEM: TO THE CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 389, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NATURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND CULTURAL RESOURCES LAWS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 410 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY AND HOLD REMOTE MEETINGS, EXCEPT AS LIMITED BY THE NONPROFIT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 449 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE LAWS GOVERNING MANUFACTURED HOME TITLES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 539 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE DISCLOSURE OF A CONVICTION FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN A CHILD CUSTODY PROCEEDING AND TO EXPAND THE CONDUCT PROHIBITED BY THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING LAW, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 12:30 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, April 26, at 4:00 p.m.

ENROLLED BILL AND RESOLUTION

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 212, AN ACT TO CLARIFY ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BENNETT COLLEGE FOR THE NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.J.R. 603, A JOINT RESOLUTION INVITING HIS EXCELLENCY, GOVERNOR ROY COOPER, TO ADDRESS A JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE. (Res. 2021-3)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

April 22, 2021

By Senator Burgin for the Health Care Committee:

S.B. 505, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT NORTH CAROLINIANS FROM BECOMING VICTIMS OF SURPRISE BILLING BY OUT-OF-NETWORK HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE RENDERED HEALTH CARE SERVICES AT HEALTH SERVICES FACILITIES THAT ARE IN-NETWORK WITH AN INDIVIDUAL'S HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35268, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

By Senator Johnson for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 248 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IDENTIFICATION CARDS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 270, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15273, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 644, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 208, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 10.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.J.R. 582 (Committee Substitute), A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS OF JULIANNA EARP, MARK DAVIS, MICHAEL ROBINSON, AND ADAM CONRAD AS SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 21.

The Committee Substitute Joint Resolution is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSOR

Senator Nickel requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

- S.B. 439, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE SCOPE AND PUNISHMENT OF HATE CRIMES; TO REQUIRE THE STATE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN A HATE CRIMES STATISTICS DATABASE; TO REQUIRE THE NORTH CAROLINA JUSTICE ACADEMY TO DEVELOP AND PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WITH TRAINING ON IDENTIFYING, RESPONDING TO, AND REPORTING HATE CRIMES; AND TO REQUIRE THE CONFERENCE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OF NORTH CAROLINA TO DEVELOP AND PROVIDE TRAINING TO PROSECUTORS ON HOW TO PROSECUTE HATE CRIMES.
- S.B. 472, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT EXPANDING THE TYPES OF CANCERS DEEMED OCCUPATIONALLY RELATED TO FIREFIGHTING FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING WHETHER A FIREFIGHTER IS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND A DEATH BENEFIT IS PAYABLE; AND DIRECTING THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A TRUST ACCOUNT FOR FIREFIGHTERS DIAGNOSED WITH AN OCCUPATIONALLY RELATED CANCER TO COVER THE COST OF CANCER-RELATED MEDICAL EXPENSES.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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FIFTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, April 26, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:01 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 6:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.R. 719, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF DIONNE DELLI-GATTI AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

- **S.B. 113** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL IN TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CASES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.
- H.B. 198 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW MAGISTRATES TO WAIVE TRIALS FOR STATE FOREST RULE OFFENSES; TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FIRES FROM OPEN BURNING LAWS; TO MODIFY OVERTIME POLICY FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA FOREST SERVICE; AND TO CLARIFY THE USE OF FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF FOREST SERVICE HEADQUARTERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 202 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO HARNETT COUNTY SCHOOLS, JACKSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND SWAIN COUNTY SCHOOLS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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H.B. 222 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT CREATING THE SHANNON LEIGH ADCOCK, STEVEN ANTHONY CHRISTOS, AND SAMANTHA DAVIS MEMORIAL ACT TO ESTABLISH THE SECOND WEEK IN NOVEMBER AS SUDEP AWARENESS WEEK IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO RECOMMEND AWARENESS TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE FOR STUDENTS WITH EPILEPSY OR OTHERWISE PREDISPOSED TO SEIZURES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 230, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE "NC MANAGING ENVIRONMENTAL WASTE ACT OF 2021" TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF PLASTICS WASTE BY, AMONG OTHER MEASURES, INCREASING REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO CITIES AND COUNTIES WITH PROGRAMS TO REDUCE PLASTICS WASTE, ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO REDUCE PLASTICS WASTE AT STATE-OPERATED FOOD SERVICE FACILITIES, AND DIRECTING THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES TO STUDY THE ISSUE OF PLASTICS WASTE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 281, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADOPT THE LOGGERHEAD SEA TURTLE AS THE OFFICIAL SALTWATER REPTILE OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 282 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT AIRY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 295 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF THE DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO REVIEW POLICIES, GUIDELINES, AND OTHER INTERPRETIVE STATEMENTS AND SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 303 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY TO ESTABLISH A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE CITY; TO ENHANCE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES TO PARTICIPATE IN CITY CONTRACTS IN THE CITY OF GREENSBORO; AND TO ALLOW THE CITY OF GREENSBORO TO USE CIVILIAN TRAFFIC INVESTIGATORS TO INVESTIGATE PROPERTY DAMAGE CRASHES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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H.B. 307, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE TIME ZONE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO ADOPT DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME YEAR-ROUND IF AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 315 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN ARSON OFFENSES; TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF ARSON OR OTHER UNLAWFUL BURNINGS THAT RESULT IN INJURY TO A FIREFIGHTER, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, FIRE INVESTIGATOR, OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN; TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL TO INVESTIGATE FIRES; TO REQUIRE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS OF APPLICANTS TO FIRE DEPARTMENTS; TO REQUIRE APPLICANTS TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN CRIMINAL CHARGES; AND TO PROHIBIT APPLICANTS CONVICTED OF CERTAIN CRIMES FROM SERVING AS VOLUNTEER OR PAID MEMBERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 332 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW NET PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY OR UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES TO BE DEPOSITED INTO SPECIAL FUNDS TO BE USED FOR THE BENEFIT OF CERTAIN STATE HISTORIC SITES AND MUSEUMS AND TO REMOVE CERTAIN LAND FROM THE STATE NATURE AND HISTORIC PRESERVE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 334 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

 $\mbox{H.B. }360, \mbox{A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DAN RIVER STATE TRAIL.$

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 376, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 468 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY CARE IN HOSPITALS AND AMBULATORY SURGICAL FACILITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 509, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE FAYETTEVILLE DOGWOOD FESTIVAL AS THE OFFICIAL DOGWOOD FESTIVAL OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 545 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW TEACHERS TO RECEIVE CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS FOR COMPLETING MANDATORY TRAININGS AND TO MODIFY THE DIGITAL TEACHING AND LEARNING RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 121, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR LEGISLATIVELY MANDATED SALARY INCREASES FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE PERSONNEL, referred to the **Rules and Operations** of the **Senate Committee** on February 23.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 349, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE REFORMS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ZONING STATUTES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 374, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF BLUE LIGHTS ON FIRE APPARATUS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 458, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE MOUNTAIN ISLAND LAKE MARINE COMMISSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 462, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND LOWER COSTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 21.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 513, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE PROCESS FOR LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF RULES, TO DESIGNATE THE NORTH CAROLINA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE PUBLISHED ONLINE AS THE OFFICIAL VERSION AND REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT TO PUBLISH AND PROVIDE PRINTED COPIES, TO CLARIFY THAT CONSULTATION WITH THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS FOR TEMPORARY AND EMERGENCY RULES THAT ESTABLISH OR INCREASE A FEE IS NOT REQUIRED, TO UPDATE THE MODEL CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT FOR STATE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES, AND TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING LAWS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 529, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE ASSISTANCE TO COUNTIES WITH THE CLEANUP OF SCRAP TIRES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 668, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LAWS; TO INSTITUTE A FIVE-YEAR MORATORIUM ON LAWSUITS AND CONTESTED CASES BY LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS AGAINST THE STATE REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ANTI-PENSION SPIKING CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP; TO REQUIRE AN ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES DURING THE MORATORIUM ON PENSION SPIKING LITIGATION INITIATED BY

SCHOOL SYSTEMS THAT INCLUDES AN ACCOUNTING OF LEGAL FEES PAID BY BOTH SIDES; AND TO REQUIRE AN ASSESSMENT OF THE FEASIBILITY OF RESOLVING DISPUTES REGARDING PENSION-SPIKING USING BINDING ARBITRATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 244 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 15.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 188** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 346** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFINE AND CLARIFY THE PROCESS BY WHICH AN EXECUTIVE ORDER IS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 360** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE JOINT APPROVAL FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE BEFORE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY ENTER INTO A CONSENT JUDGMENT OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN A DISPUTE, CLAIM, OR CONTROVERSY IN WHICH THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE HAVE INTERVENED OR ARE OTHERWISE NAMED PARTIES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 493**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY MULTILOCATION PROJECT ENHANCEMENT FOR THE JOB DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 570**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) (STAR RATING) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN OTHER FLEXIBILITIES WHEN THE ERS ASSESSMENTS RESUME, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 660** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DISSEMINATION AND REMOVAL OR DESTRUCTION OF BOOKING PHOTOGRAPHS, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County, as follows:

"Dear heavenly Father, In First Kings and in James, you tell us that Elijah was a man with a nature like ours and he was able to accomplish so much. Sometimes I think we look at each other and we see these highlight reels of our life and all these successes but in the underbelly of it all, Lord, is this great development and strengthening and refining that you do and that you work through. May we just be faithful in the valleys and faithful on our Mount Carmel moments and just truly just live in a bold confidence and in a strong faith in the work that you want to accomplish through us. Lord, you are my God. I am your servant, and I am just honored to be here with these colleagues and to serve this state with you. I ask for your protection and for your favor on our citizens and this chamber. In your name we pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, April 22, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore and Senator Murdock.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 164 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ROCKWELL, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 47, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---47.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Tuesday, April 27, upon third reading.

H.B. 30. A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PURPOSES OF ENGAGING IN BEACH EROSION CONTROL AND FLOOD AND HURRICANE PROTECTION WORKS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 279 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS BASED ON INCOME, TO PROVIDE FOR THE NONACCRUAL OF INTEREST AND TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST A REFUND DUE TO THE EXTENSION OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PAYMENT AND FILING DEADLINE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 47, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---47.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Tuesday, April 27, upon third reading.

S.B. 85 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE PLANS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, upon second reading.

Senator Corbin offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 241 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 435, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE NOTICE FOR EXPIRATIONS AND TERMINATIONS OF LOCAL PROHIBITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, AND STATES OF EMERGENCY, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

The Senate recesses at 6:26 p.m., to reconvene at 6:45 p.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Lieutenant Governor orders a message sent to the House of Representatives, notifying that honorable body that pursuant to **H.J.R. 603** (Res. 2021-3), the Senate stands ready to repair to the Hall of the House of Representatives, there to sit in a Joint Session for the purpose of receiving the State-of-the-State Address from The Honorable Roy Cooper, Governor of North Carolina.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives April 26, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that pursuant to **H.J.R. 603 (Resolution 2021-3)**, A JOINT RESOLUTION INVITING HIS EXCELLENCY, GOVERNOR ROY COOPER, TO ADDRESS A JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE, the House stands ready to receive your Honorable Body in Joint Session.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk Senator Berger offers a motion that the Senate stand in recess to repair to the Hall of the House of Representatives, there to sit in Joint Session for the purpose of hearing Governor Cooper's State-of-the-State Address, and to adjourn upon the dissolution thereof, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, April 27, at 9:30 a.m.

The President declares the Senate in recess at 6:49 p.m. The Senate, preceded by its officers, repairs to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

JOINT SESSION

With members of the House of Representatives standing, the Senate is received into the chamber.

The Honorable Tim Moore, Speaker of the House of Representatives, presides.

The Speaker extends courtesies of the House to the Council of State; the Supreme Court; the Court of Appeals; the wife of the Lieutenant Governor, Second Lady Yolanda Robinson; and the Governor's Cabinet.

The Speaker relinquishes the gavel to The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate, who presides.

The President of the Senate calls the Joint Session of the General Assembly to order.

The President recognizes the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives, who announces the presence of His Excellency, The Honorable Roy Cooper, Governor of North Carolina, at the doors of the chamber. The President directs the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives and the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate to admit the Chief Executive, who proceeds to the well of the chamber.

Representative Reives is recognized and presents the Governor to the President of the Senate. The President presents His Excellency, The Honorable Roy Cooper, who delivers the State-of-the State Address to the 2021 General Assembly.

STATE-OF-THE-STATE ADDRESS

"Mr. President *Pro Tempore*; Mr. Speaker; members of the General Assembly; Council of State; Mr. Chief Justice and members of the Supreme Court; members of the Court of Appeals; Cabinet Secretaries; and to my family—my amazing wife, Kristin, and our three wonderful daughters, who are with us in spirit and watching via PBS North Carolina TV; good evening. I am honored to be with you tonight. We gather after a year we could not have imagined. And now we look to a future that can be even better than we imagine. Our response to an unprecedented, once-in-a-generation challenge is showing us clearly that North

Carolinians are resilient and ready. The state of our state is strong, and that's because the character of our communities is even stronger. We've shown we are compassionate. Amid a year of suffering and loss, North Carolinians have never stopped showing up for each other. Our health care workers have sacrificed their own safety to save lives. Neighbors have delivered meals. Families have found new ways to stay connected. Songs from grandchildren have poured through nursing home windows. Educators have engaged and nurtured their students even through the computer screen. There are endless examples of kindness and strength that we have shown each other. We've lost a lot this year. Painfully, the 12,560 North Carolinians who died with Covid-19—from parents and children to favorite teachers, community volunteers, and many more—their lives have forever enriched ours, and we will carry them with us always. And not only have we lost loved ones, we have also lost time to sickness, lost learning, lost jobs, lost peace of mind. One thing this pandemic laid bare is the inequities that were already here; the critical need to strengthen our public schools and require a sound, basic education for all of our children as our constitution mandates; the gaps in highspeed internet access; the unlivable wages that many hardworking North Carolinians—just to make ends meet—to take on multiple jobs that don't provide health insurance. But if we can harness all that we have learned from our loss, we can boost opportunities for all North Carolinians: the opportunity to get the training for a better-paying job; the opportunity to get health insurance; the opportunity to get connected to telemedicine, homework, and loved ones who live far away; the opportunity to prosper. This past year has impacted every single person in our state and has required the collective effort of North Carolinians to stay safe and save lives. From the beginning, I pledged that we would listen to health experts and follow the science to protect our state, and we have done just that. The decisive actions we have taken saved lives and prevented our hospitals from being overwhelmed, and I would like to recognize and thank health care workers across our state. Your commitment and courage have made all the difference. Thank you. Our state's response to the pandemic has been strong. And every phase of it has required North Carolinians from Cherokee to Chowan to step up and do their part, including the people in this room tonight. Farmers, restaurant cooks, grocery store workers kept us fed. Educators, bus drivers, custodians, and cafeteria workers helped our children get meals, stay safe, and learn. Law enforcement, firefighters and EMTs kept us protected. Passionate, peaceful protesters of all stripes challenged us and reminded us the importance of protecting our freedom of speech. Faith leaders prayed for, helped, and comforted us. Scientists and researchers at our great universities helped discover and make vaccines and treatments. Moms, dads, grandparents, children, neighbors, friends — everyday people — endured together and helped each other. You see, North Carolinians step up in times of crisis. And while our special guests cannot be in the building tonight, I want to recognize a few North Carolinians who have made a real difference. A lot of North Carolina companies, at their own economic risk, changed what they were doing and started making things we needed right then to save lives. Instead of just making furniture, Custom Contracts Furnishings in High Point teamed up with local fabrics companies to make medical gowns. They hired 50 new employees and made over a million gowns for our state and other

customers. In March of 2020, right as the pandemic began, Parkdale Mills in Gastonia worked with a group of companies to put together a reusable mask supplying over 600 million of them across the country. This kind of ingenuity and resourcefulness helped us get desperately needed PPE to frontline workers when they didn't have enough. That North Carolina ingenuity unfolded across the state in many ways. Felecia Young, a math teacher at Knox Middle School in Salisbury, knew remote learning would be a challenge, so she went the extra mile to make it fun. She produced videos with music, dance, and song that helped you with math even though you didn't want them to. She kept in such close contact with her students and families, she earned the nickname 'Mama Young.' North Carolina National Guard Lieutenant Colonel David Walliser coordinated vaccine sites along with Emergency Management and state and local health officials across the state and helped organize the federally supported site in Greensboro. And he said, 'No great achievement is achieved alone.' Colonel Walliser knew that with all of us working together we could get more people vaccinated. And, of course, there are endless stories of our heroic frontline health workers who fought this pandemic tirelessly with courage and compassion. One of these is Natesha Fields, a nurse and manager at Carolina East Medical Center in New Bern. She had the double challenge of caring for her patients and her staff. From dealing with PPE shortages to caring for dying patients to supporting her staff members, who were working long hours amid their own sacrifices, she kept things running and kept people safe. Natesha, David, Felecia, Custom Contracts Furnishing, Parkdale Mills, and so many other people and companies in our state stepped up, and I am so grateful to all of them. And now it's time for us to step up. The elected leaders. North Carolinians want us to work together like they have had to do. Now, members of the legislature, we know we can find common ground because we have done it before. Our differences often get the attention, but our cooperation got billions of dollars in relief funds to people who needed it. You passed, and I signed, legislation to provide funding to rebuild after the natural disasters. Together, we passed the Build NC bonds for better roads. We landed tens of thousands of good-paying jobs with strategic and accountable economic incentives. We got rid of the discriminatory House Bill 2. We raised the age for juveniles in the criminal justice system. And just last month, together, we got more children safely into their classrooms. And we're working with each other on pandemic response. We recognized that thousands of North Carolinians were threatened with eviction and power shutoffs during the pandemic. My administration created, and you funded, the HOPE program to make payments directly to landlords and utilities to keep people in their homes with the lights on. It's already helped 36,000 families and paid out almost \$125 million. Together, we're helping small business owners bounce back with federal funds for their rent and utilities. The Bar-B-Q Center in Lexington has been family-owned and open since 1955. This money allowed them to keep their doors open, pay and keep their employees, while still serving great barbecue. You passed, and I signed, legislation waiving the ABC permit fees, saving struggling bar and restaurant owners millions, directing funds to schools to keep them safe, providing students with summer school and with better ways to learn to read. And we know we have to do so much more. We often have our differences in these chambers, but the

people of North Carolina should know that at times when it mattered their leaders stepped up. And now we need to do it again. One way is fighting through this pandemic together, the right way. Though every loss hurt, North Carolina ranks low among the states in Covid-19 deaths per capita during the pandemic. During the same period, North Carolina ranks low among states in job losses per capita. We've saved lives during the pandemic and deployed vaccines to bring our economy on strong. We are doing it the right way. Almost half of our state's adults have had at least the first shot of vaccine, and almost 40 percent are fully vaccinated, and we're doing even better with our 65 and over population with more than 77 percent with at least one shot and more than 72 percent fully vaccinated. That's remarkable. Every dose is another person saved, another family closer to immunity. Now, think what more we can do if we keep working together. Our future success as a state depends on us getting health care to working people who don't have it. Several of you top legislators from both parties sat with Secretary of Health and Human Services Dr. Mandy Cohen and me on the North Carolina Council for Health Care Coverage, and we unanimously agreed on a set of principles. Some were straightforward: get more people covered with health insurance, make people healthier, use tax dollars wisely. Others were more complicated: make health care more fair, reach our rural areas. The opportunity to do all of these things is there if we expand Medicaid. And circumstances about Medicaid expansion have changed dramatically since we debated it in the last budget. First, even more federal dollars—our tax money—are available in unprecedented amounts for the last few states that have not expanded. That can make our rural hospitals thrive, provide mental health and keep working people healthy. Second, this legislature's push to transition Medicaid to managed care is happening in about two months, and you have said this will make Medicaid more efficient and save taxpayer money. Third, people who've lost their jobs and their employer-sponsored health insurance during this pandemic desperately need this help. We hear time and again from small businesses about the urgent need for Medicaid expansion. One business owner who has been fighting for it is Cassandra Brooks. She operates childcare centers in Clayton and Garner. Her centers cared for the children of grocery store clerks, nurses, and other frontline workers who had to work in-person all through this pandemic. Cassandra had a friend and a co-worker die from a stroke when she could not afford treatment for her high blood pressure. She has seen people without health insurance get sick with Covid-19 and not be able to get the care they needed. One in five childcare workers don't have health insurance. That's not right. Expanding Medicaid does all the things we agreed on in our bipartisan council meetings. It gets more people covered. It makes people healthier. It uses tax dollars wisely and reduces health care costs for businesses. It makes health care more fair. It reaches rural areas. Let's make a deal. Let's get this done. A healthier state means a healthier workforce that is ready for the better-paying jobs that we're bringing here. In 2019, I and the bipartisan leaders of the legislature, business, and education stood together to make a promise. We pledged that in the next decade, 2 million more adult North Carolinians will have a degree or trade certification. Now we have the best chance to keep that promise. Today, we can join together to offer all North Carolinians who want to reach their full potential through higher education the

chance to afford it. With our great community colleges, university system, and private colleges, we have the best training grounds in America. With the federal American Rescue Plan and state resources, we have the funding. With businesses already here and coming soon, we have the good paying jobs. Now we need to put it all together to make education and training more affordable for everyone. Now you might have heard today that a little technology company from California has decided to move here. In yet another tremendous accomplishment for our state, today we stood together and announced that Apple had chosen North Carolina for its first new campus and engineering hub in the United States in more than 20 years. And that makes 11 companies that have announced thousands of jobs in both rural and urban areas in just the past two months, during a pandemic. The good jobs are already here, and they're going to keep on coming. Let's make sure our people can afford to get the education and training to land them. We know that people can succeed if we break down the financial barriers keeping them from their goals. Lexine Merrill was in her third semester as a nursing student at Central Piedmont Community College when unexpected medical bills came on top of a needed car repair. She thought she would have to drop out, but a Finish Line Grant helped her afford to stay in school. She graduated in December and is working as a critical care nurse in Monroe, right when we need her the most. Her story is a testament that even a small amount of financial help can turn students into skilled workers to fill these high-demand jobs. The CEOs will tell you they need these highly trained people right now and that we need to invest more in our community colleges and our universities for scholarships and we need them now. These same CEOs will tell you that investing in education at the back end is important, but investing in our children earlier may be even more critical. Our pledge for getting two million more adults trained and educated by 2030 must begin with more children getting high quality Pre-K and a healthy start at birth, more children who learn to read in elementary school, more children inspired to learn trades in middle school, and more well-paid educators who can guide children as well as adults getting trained for a second career. And that means paying our teachers more. If we want to recruit and keep the best educators, we need to pay them better. Too many of our teachers are working multiple jobs, and it's still not enough. Because of our budget dispute last time, our educators did not get a raise in the last budget cycle. We need to make up for that in this year's budget. Health care and education will get us well on our way, but to cement North Carolina's spot as best in the nation for business and industry, we have to solidify the state's backbone, its infrastructure: schools, water and sewer, roads, bridges, transit, and also its pathways for information. High speed internet is vital for education and telemedicine but also for every person, from small business owner and farmer to big corporation and hospital. In Hoke County, Dr. Karen Smith began using telemedicine to care for patients with opioid addiction, and when the pandemic hit she realized that internet could help even more. She carefully planned to continue her in-person medical practice, but many of her patients were hesitant to come in at the height of the pandemic. A lot of them didn't have internet access. So, Dr. Smith extended her office's Wi-Fi to the parking lot and offered tablets for patients to use. This meant that those with limited access to technology could still get the care they needed through telemedicine. The pandemic and the resulting necessary expansion of technology have flung us a decade ahead. The future world

where we work from home, see a doctor, and connect over screens is thrust on us right now. But if you don't have access, the screen, or the money to subscribe, you're left out and left behind. We have a plan and the money to stretch high-speed internet to our state's farthest corners. And we should use them both to get this done. Let's boost businesses that were hardest hit by the pandemic with some direct help—restaurants, hotels, conventions, hospitality and tourism. Let's get people back in the work force and help them get the training they need to land the jobs. And a lot of them will be clean energy jobs. Look, scientists concur that the climate crisis is real and that we need to lower carbon emissions. But aside from that, clean energy is where the great-paying jobs are going to be. Let's get ahead of the other states and lead this industry in North Carolina. I'm asking you to expand access to clean energy technologies, invest in clean energy economic development, promote offshore wind, and build the clean energy workforce to catalyze North Carolina's economy. This industry is racing toward us with thousands of good-paying jobs that will strengthen our economy and our planet. We are already ahead in solar energy, and with new offshore wind and its lucrative supply chain we can put money in North Carolina pockets. As we work to build our infrastructure, we need to build the school buildings our kids deserve and strengthen the community colleges and universities where we're training the next great scientists, engineers, nurses, and welders. We can enrich our lives with investments in parks and museums and historic sites. We're seeing the lowest interest rates. We can afford it, it will create jobs, and we're never going to get a better deal, so let's come together and pass a strong bond referendum so we can get all of this done. All of these important steps are needed to build a stronger and more prosperous future. But we can't succeed in the future without reckoning with our past and, unfortunately, our present. We must face head on the stark reality of systemic racism and how it hurts people and leaves them behind: who gets to see a doctor, who gets hired for a job, who gets charged with a crime, who gets prison time, who gets killed. Over the past year, and just in the past week, we've seen the harm suffered by too many people of color in our state and across the country. And I want to say clearly, we must all stand together to stop racial injustice in North Carolina. Everyone should have opportunities and everyone should be able to feel safe in their own homes and communities without fear of authority who should be there to protect them. In all areas that are important for people's success—health care, education, economic strength, the justice system—we must confront systems that favor some and harm others, and we must fix them. Fellow North Carolinians, today our state is operating under a budget that was enacted in 2018 because we couldn't agree on one last time. Think about how much the world has changed since 2018. I'm here now, at your invitation, to give my perspectives about the needs and challenges of our people. And I'm here to tell you that my budget tackles those needs and challenges. There's some really good ideas in there. There's going to have to be some give and take in order for us to get this done. I don't want to have to veto the budget, and I will do my part to see that we have a budget, and I expect you to do yours. And I, as I've told them, I want to see a budget that has three signatures: Senator Berger's, Speaker Moore's, and mine. Our people deserve that. To the legislators in the room, we've agreed before, let's find ways to do it again and keep moving our state forward. Let's agree to listen more to each other and act in good faith to get things done. We are already making

progress on that. The challenges we face are too great to do otherwise. They are not easy to solve. We have the opportunity and the unprecedented resources to face them head-on, to get to the root of problems, to imagine and innovate rather than doubt and tolerate. To fight discrimination and promote justice that opens doors even wider to diversity and equity. In a year of hardship and loss, we owe it to ourselves and to each other—and, as leaders, we owe it to the people who elected us-to build a state that is truly more educated, equitable, healthier, and prosperous and to act with the compassionate resilience that has gotten us through this pandemic. North Carolinians kept each other safe, taught each other, saved each other, mourned for and loved each other, prayed for each other. This is the North Carolina way, and we must heed the lessons that we have learned. I believe with all my heart that North Carolina is strong, resilient, and ready to face the challenges of the future. I believe that we will rebuild from this pandemic to be even stronger than before. And I believe that we can roar into the future together, creating a shared recovery that ensures that all of our best days lie ahead. I have never been prouder to call myself a North Carolinian. I have never had a stronger faith in God. I have never been more honored or more committed to serve all of you as your Governor. And I've never been more certain that North Carolina's future is bright. Thank you. God bless all of you, God bless North Carolina, and God bless the United States of America. Thank you all very much."

The President directs the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives and the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate to open the doors for the exit of Governor Roy Cooper from the Hall of the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore* of the Senate, seconded by Representative Tim Moore, Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Joint Session is dissolved, and, pursuant to the motion prevailing earlier in the Senate, the Senate stands adjourned at 7:38 p.m., to reconvene on Tuesday, April 27, at 9:30 a.m.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSORS

Senator Chaudhuri requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 341, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY AND POTENTIAL OUTCOMES OF A STATEWIDE YEAR-ROUND SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Senator Chaudhuri and Senator Davis request to be added as co-sponsors of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 510, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE RELEASE OF BODY-WORN AND DASHBOARD CAMERA RECORDINGS UPON REQUEST AFTER FORTY-EIGHT HOURS HAVE PASSED FROM THE TIME OF THE RECORDING.

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Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FIFTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, April 27, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 248** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IDENTIFICATION CARDS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 270** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 288** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, with a favorable report.

By Senator Britt for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 473, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL

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GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT, with a favorable report.

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Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee**.

S.B. 574, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A CHANGE OF BENEFICIARY UNDER A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY IF THAT BENEFICIARY WAS SELECTED UNDER FRAUDULENT CIRCUMSTANCES OR FALSE PRETENSES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45404, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee.

S.B. 99, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT, UNLESS THE CONDUCT IS COVERED UNDER ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW PROVIDING GREATER PUNISHMENT, LARCENY OF A CATALYTIC CONVERTER IS A CLASS I FELONY, TO REQUIRE SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS TO MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC RECORD OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FROM TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE SALE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, AND TO INCLUDE A FINE AS PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS INVOLVING THE PURCHASE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15275, which changes the title to read S.B. 99 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT, UNLESS THE CONDUCT IS COVERED UNDER ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW PROVIDING GREATER PUNISHMENT, LARCENY OF A CATALYTIC CONVERTER IS A CLASS I FELONY, TO REQUIRE SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS TO MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC RECORD OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FROM TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE SALE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, TO INCLUDE A FINE AS PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN INVOLVING THE PURCHASE OF VIOLATIONS **CATALYTIC** CONVERTERS, TO PROVIDE THAT SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN ONLY PURCHASE CATALYTIC CONVERTERS FROM CERTAIN PEOPLE AND ONLY SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN PURCHASE USED CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 355, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PERSONNEL HIRING, FIRING, AND PERFORMANCE RECORDS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15277, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 666, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT UPDATING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES; AND AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC FILINGS OF ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15276, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Sanderson for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:

S.B. 628, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE USE OF NATIVE NORTH CAROLINA PLANTS AND SEEDS ON STATE PROPERTY AND HIGHWAYS AND ON LOCAL PROJECTS THAT USE STATE FUNDS FOR LANDSCAPING, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

- **S.B. 651**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE VETERINARY PRACTICE ACT, with a favorable report. Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.
- **S.B. 60**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE CERTAIN RULES RELATED TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15274, which changes the title to read **S.B. 60** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN RULES RELATED TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Steve Jarvis, Senator from Davidson County, as follows:

"Our dear blessed heavenly Father, we want to thank you for giving us this opportunity to assemble here together today. We pray, dear Lord, for our leaders in all of the different places: the President, the Governor, this body here today. We pray that you would help us to humble ourselves before you and acknowledge that you are God and do what you would have us to do. Help us to do what would be best for the people of North Carolina. In thy name we pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, April 26, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Bazemore.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 164 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ROCKWELL, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 49, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---49.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 279 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS BASED ON INCOME, TO PROVIDE FOR THE NONACCRUAL OF INTEREST AND TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST A REFUND DUE TO THE EXTENSION OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PAYMENT AND FILING DEADLINE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 49, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---49.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Committee Substitute bill will be sent to the Governor by special message.

S.B. 188 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 346 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFINE AND CLARIFY THE PROCESS BY WHICH AN EXECUTIVE ORDER IS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR, upon second reading.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (37-12).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (28-21) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 360 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE JOINT APPROVAL FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE BEFORE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY ENTER INTO A CONSENT JUDGMENT OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN A DISPUTE, CLAIM, OR CONTROVERSY IN WHICH THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE HAVE INTERVENED OR ARE OTHERWISE NAMED PARTIES, upon second reading.

Upon motion of Senator Edwards, Senator Newton's comments on S.B. 360 are spread upon the Journal as follows:

"Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, members. To understand how simple and appropriate S.B. 360 is, it's important to understand what a collusive settlement is. A collusive settlement is one in which friendly legal opponents—a friendly legal opponent is selected. The effort is not new. Way back in 1850, the U.S. Supreme Court described the objection to collusive settlements: 'There is no

real conflict of interest between them, that the plaintiff and defendant have the same interest, and that interest adverse and in conflict with the interest of third persons whose rights would be seriously affected if the question of law was decided in the manner that both of the parties to this suit desire it to be.' More specifically, with respect to legislative matters, a subsequent U.S. Supreme Court decision explained that 'it was never the thought that by means of a friendly suit a party beaten in the legislature could transfer to the courts an inquiry as to the constitutionality of a legislative act.' In other words, a party beaten in the legislature should not use the court system to rewrite the law by suing a friendly defendant and then collusively settling a lawsuit. All this bill says is that when a lawsuit is brought challenging a North Carolina statute or provision of the North Carolina Constitution and the legislature is a party to that lawsuit, a consent judgement must be approved by the legislative leadership before the judgement may be entered. I ask you for your support. I am happy to answer any questions or explain what happened in 2020 that gives rise to the need for this bill. Thank you, and again I commend the bill to you."

Debate on S.B. 360 continued, and Senator Newton spoke a second time.

"With all due respect to my esteemed colleague on the other side of the aisle, the fact of the matter is that this bill actually improves on the separation of powers, it doesn't impinge on that whatsoever. In fact, the only entity guilty of crossing the line of separation of powers is the Board of Elections-the Democrat controlled Board of Elections. As you correctly stated in your closing statement, they are there to implement state law not to change state law. So, let me run through the chronology of what actually happened in 2020. So, Governor Cooper declared the state of emergency on March 10, 2020. The Board of Elections executive director, Karen Brinson Bell, submitted a letter to the governor and to the legislature recommending several statutory changes. So, she did the right thing: she asked us to change policy—to change the law. She also sought to change, but failed to change, applicable administrative regulations to provide the board sweeping authority to revise election statutes under a natural disaster provision. So, she said, oh, well, I'm going to use this opportunity of Covid to broaden the natural disaster declaration in her scope of powers. But on May 21st, the Rules Review Commission rejected her attempt 9-0. She struck out. She was not successful getting what she wanted through an expansion of the definition of a natural disaster. But on June 11, 2020, the General Assembly passed bipartisan legislation, adjusting voting rules for the November election—142-26—that made some, but not all, of the changes she requested. So, she struck out a second time. She didn't get everything she asked for, but we certainly took her requests under advisement, and we, together-and I believe you voted for the bill-on a bipartisan basis, changed some, but not all, of our election laws related to 2020. Those changes expired after the November election, but, nonetheless, we worked together, and we completely—with Covid directly in mind—made certain, but not all, the changes that Karen Brinson Bell wanted. So, that was strike two. For example, we did not accept Brinson Bell's recommendation to eliminate the witness requirement altogether. But guess what-jumping ahead on our chronology—the reported settlement she entered into with Marc Elias—the

Democrat party lawyer—and Josh Stein essentially eviscerated the witness requirement. So, she got by that settlement—that collusive settlement—and it is collusive, and I'll explain more why in just a moment—what she could not get through the legislature. Remember the court decision I cited—it was not a federal district court judge—I was citing the U.S. Supreme Court. And the U.S. Supreme Court said many years ago, it's settled principle that someone beaten at the legislature can't now go change the law through a collusive settlement, but that is exactly what the board, Josh Stein, and Marc Elias tried to do. So, after the bipartisan—oh, let me say also, the Bipartisan Elections Act also did not change the receipt deadline for absentee ballots, which remained-set by statute-as three days after the election by 5 p.m. So, those ballots that were absentee ballots, they had three days to trickle in to the Board of Elections. We, collectively, decided not to change that—didn't think it was necessary. She wasn't satisfied with that, so in the settlement they changed the three days, which we all agreed to, representing our constituents, to nine days. Now, you tell me, senator, if that doesn't erode the public's confidence in the electoral process in North Carolina. It absolutely eroded the confidence. And get this—this is really rich—prior to that, Karen Brinson Bell and the board defended against the blind and impaired who came to her and asked her to change the process to help them be able to vote. Do you know what she said? She said, 'No, we can't.' This is the filing that they made in that case, but, essentially, she said—and I can find the quote if you want it but essentially what she said is, it's too close to the election, and it is disruptive to try to change election process or election law or process so close to an election becoming underway or during an election process. But that didn't stop her from settling with Marc Elias and changing—after voting had started, after absentee ballots were being received, she tried to change the rules of the game, even though she fought off the blind and impaired who wanted her to do the same thing on their behalf, she said no. And another rich item, she's now coming to us and asking us to change the law to help the impaired and the blind because, apparently, she now thinks she doesn't have the authority to change that process. But, boy, that didn't stop her with Marc Elias, did it? By the way, you said it wasn't a secret settlement. Tell that to our lawyers—lawyers that represented the General Assembly. The day that the settlement was announced they showed up for a deposition and nobody was there. They were told, 'we don't know where everybody is, go on home, you'll find out in a little bit.' And they found out that this collusive settlement had been entered into, and the legislature was never brought to the table. That is the quintessence of a collusive settlement. When parties who are like minded, ideologically aligned—like Karen Brinson Bell, Josh Stein, and Marc Elias—settle a lawsuit without the one party who had a differing interest, the legislature, being at the table and being informed that that settlement was happening. Don't tell me that's not collusive, and don't tell me it's not undermining of North Carolinians' confidence in our elections. And I will tell you, a Locke/Civitas poll shows that forty percent of North Carolinians lack confidence in 2020's election outcome. And it's because of shenanigans like this, a purely partisan ploy because they thought that it would benefit Democrats, I'm imputing that. But another rich irony is that the six days that they added to the ballot returns, actually there were more Republicans that voted during that additional six days than Democrats. That's not what they planned, but is just an interesting factoid to consider. All right, so you also talked about how no judge has ever said there's anything wrong with what the board did. Alright, let me read you a few quotes, since you invited this. First of all, let's talk about Judge Osteen, Greensboro Federal District Court. 'For the second time in this case, this court has serious concerns about the conduct of the North Carolina State Board of Elections.' Judge Osteen: 'The State Board's behavior was a flagrant misuse of this court's injunctive relief, and your acts appear to ignore the rule of law.' Also Judge Osteen: 'In all candor, this court cannot conceive of a more problematic conflict with provisions of the law than the procedures implemented by the Board of Elections.' Judge Dever: 'At bottom, the Board of Elections has ignored the statutory scheme and arbitrarily created multiple, disparate regimes under which North Carolina voters cast absentee ballots.' The Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals in dissenting opinions said, 'When is here the plain wording of those legislative enactments is transgressed, the entire body politic pays a grievous price. To witness our democratic dissolution in this manner is heart-rending for the many good Americans of all persuasions who still view partisan advantage as subordinate to their country's lasting welfare.' Also, sticking with the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals: 'It takes no special genius to know what this insidious formula is producing. Our country is now plagued by proliferation of pre-election litigation that creates confusion and turmoil and that threatens to undermine public confidence in the federal courts, state agencies, and the elections themselves.' Also Fourth Circuit: 'Then along come the disruptive efforts of a state election board to upend the set rules right in the middle of an election. The disruptors then hail their action as the new status quo which'—the irony of this is rich—'claims to be beyond the power of disturbance.' Justice Gorsuch, also in dissent, said the board's efforts 'not only offend the Elections Clause's textual commitment of responsibility for election lawmaking to state and federal legislators, they do damage to faith in the written Constitution as law, to the power of the people to oversee their own government, and to the authority of legislatures...Such last minute changes by largely unaccountable bodies, too, invite confusion, risk altering election outcomes, and in the process threaten voter confidence in the results.' So, please don't say that no court has said there's anything wrong with what they did. There are a lot of judges—learned judges—that believe what they did was absolutely wrong, and I submit to you that what they did meets the textbook definition of a collusive settlement, mostly in the fact that they all had aligned interests. Just a couple of other comments on your comment. So, we've covered off that it is collusive rather than not—it was secret. I did not quote federal district judges; those were Supreme Court justices' opinions. And you said nothing was achieved—I'm not sure I understood that—in the settlement, but I think there was a great deal achieved. The three days went to nine, and the single signature was eviscerated in terms of cure, so that was a problem in each system of the law. And then, finally, you make the point—and I want to emphasize that that the Board of Elections does not set policy. It does not set the law. They are constrained, and by purporting to settle the case they were encroaching on the

swim-lane, the power of this legislature to set the law, which we did in a bipartisan fashion. It is irrefutable that they directly changed the letter of the law through the settlement—three days to nine, no witness signature requirement. So, I think this is exactly why we need this legislation. And I would finally note, I've heard this argument about, well, there was record turnout, they couldn't have been so bad. They must have done a great job because we had record turnout in North Carolina. Let's be clear, the record turnout was because of the quality of the candidates. It had nothing to do with what the Board of Elections did or didn't do. Now, hats off to them with respect to Covid. I'll give them credit where credit is due. Thank you to the local boards of election and the folks there working so hard to keep people safe. They administered that aspect really, really well. But let's don't be confused about whether this is a collusive settlement. It is. Let's don't be confused about whether it violates the constitutional separation of powers. It did. So, this bill simply goes to cure this and any other situation where this legislature is a party to a lawsuit. You can't settle the lawsuit without us being involved. Thank you."

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (28-21) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 493, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY MULTILOCATION PROJECT ENHANCEMENT FOR THE JOB DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM, upon second reading.

Senator Craven offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 570, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) (STAR RATING) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN OTHER FLEXIBILITIES WHEN THE ERS ASSESSMENTS RESUME, upon second reading.

Senator Krawiec offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0) and changes the title to read, **S.B. 570**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) (STAR RATING) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN OTHER FLEXIBILITIES WHEN THE ERS ASSESSMENTS RESUME, AND TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EARLY EDUCATION TO REPORT ON SPECIFIED CRITERIA.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 660 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DISSEMINATION AND REMOVAL OR DESTRUCTION OF BOOKING PHOTOGRAPHS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-1) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 113 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL IN TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CASES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (47-1) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Ballard, the Senate adjourns at 5:37 p.m., in honor of our long-standing friendship with Taiwan, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, April 28, at 9:30 a.m.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Alexander submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "COMMENDING REPUBLIC OF CHINA (TAIWAN)."

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 279, AN ACT TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS BASED ON INCOME, TO PROVIDE FOR THE NONACCRUAL OF INTEREST AND TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST A REFUND DUE TO THE EXTENSION OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PAYMENT AND FILING DEADLINE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 30, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PURPOSES OF ENGAGING IN BEACH EROSION CONTROL AND FLOOD AND HURRICANE PROTECTION WORKS.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSOR

Senator Crawford requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

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- **S.B. 510**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE RELEASE OF BODY-WORN AND DASHBOARD CAMERA RECORDINGS UPON REQUEST AFTER FORTY-EIGHT HOURS HAVE PASSED FROM THE TIME OF THE RECORDING.
- **S.B. 523**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA BROADBAND ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO ELIGIBLE LOW-INCOME FAMILIES TO HELP MAKE BROADBAND ACCESS MORE AFFORDABLE.
- **S.B. 576**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REENACT THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 156,** AN ACT TO AMEND STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION AND TO EXTEND DMV EMERGENCY RULE AUTHORITY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, April 27, 2021 S.L. 2021-13)
- H.B. 30, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR PURPOSES OF ENGAGING IN BEACH EROSION CONTROL AND FLOOD AND HURRICANE PROTECTION WORKS. (Became law upon ratification, April 27, 2021 S.L. 2021-14)
- **S.B. 212,** AN ACT TO CLARIFY ACCREDITATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BENNETT COLLEGE FOR THE NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, April 27, 2021 S.L. 2021-15)
- H.B. 279, AN ACT TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS BASED ON INCOME, TO PROVIDE FOR THE NONACCRUAL OF INTEREST AND TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST A REFUND DUE TO THE EXTENSION OF THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PAYMENT AND FILING DEADLINE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, April 27, 2021 S.L. 2021-16)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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FIFTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, April 28, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 12 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADDRESS PANDEMIC LEARNING LOSS BY TEMPORARILY ALLOWING ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENTS TO THE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR ALAMANCE-BURLINGTON SCHOOLS AND GUILFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 180, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF AUGUST OF EACH YEAR AS OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 236, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.J.R. 330 (Committee Substitute), A JOINT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S POSITION REGARDING ANY FEDERAL ACTION INFRINGING UPON THE STATE'S SOVEREIGN CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY TO MANAGE, CONTROL, AND ADMINISTER ELECTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

S.B. 60 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN RULES RELATED TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

- S.B. 99 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT, UNLESS THE CONDUCT IS COVERED UNDER ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW PROVIDING GREATER PUNISHMENT, LARCENY OF A CATALYTIC CONVERTER IS A CLASS I FELONY, TO REQUIRE SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS TO MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC RECORD OF CERTAIN INFORMATION TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE SALE OF **CATALYTIC** CONVERTERS, TO INCLUDE A FINE AS PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS INVOLVING THE PURCHASE OF **CATALYTIC** CONVERTERS, TO PROVIDE THAT SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN ONLY PURCHASE CATALYTIC CONVERTERS FROM CERTAIN PEOPLE AND ONLY SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN PURCHASE USED CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 651**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE VETERINARY PRACTICE ACT, with a favorable report.
- **S.B.** 666 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT UPDATING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES; AND AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC FILINGS OF ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES, with a favorable report.

By Senator McInnis for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 237, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE TO APPOINT A MEMBER NOMINATED BY THE ALLIANCE OF INSURANCE AGENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE REINSURANCE FACILITY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 372, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE CLASSIFICATIONS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING LICENSES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.R. 397, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF MACHELLE SANDERS AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

S.B. 219, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR AND MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45406, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

S.B. 228, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45407, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee**.

S.B. 465, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THAT DOORSTEP REFUSE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION CONTAINERS BE ALLOWED IN EXIT ACCESS CORRIDORS OF CERTAIN APARTMENT OCCUPANCIES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15278, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Krawiec for the Health Care Committee:

S.B. 257, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

S.B. 586, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY LIPEDEMA, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 191, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS THAT WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION, TO DEVELOP AND DISSEMINATE

FREE INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS EXPLAINING THESE RIGHTS TO HOSPITALS, NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, HOSPICE CARE FACILITIES, ADULT CARE HOMES, SPECIAL CARE UNITS, AND CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES LICENSED UNDER CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45408, which changes the title to read **S.B. 191** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 462, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND LOWER COSTS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15279, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Ballard for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 421, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR RECENT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Daniel for the Finance Committee:

S.B. 644, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

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S.B. 355 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PERSONNEL HIRING, FIRING, AND PERFORMANCE RECORDS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 27.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 363, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE UNIFORM PARTITION OF HEIRS PROPERTY ACT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 470, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE INNOVATION COMMISSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 543, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR INTERNAL AUDITS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Ford for the State and Local Government Committee:

S.B. 473, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 690, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL FOR WOMEN ADVISORY BOARD, STATE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND NORTH CAROLINA INTERNSHIP COUNCIL BY PROVIDING APPOINTMENTS BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 374, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF BLUE LIGHTS ON FIRE APPARATUS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15282, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 707, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE AIRPORT AUTHORITIES AND OPERATORS WITH ADDITIONAL NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT IN THE ADOPTION OF LAND USE REGULATIONS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35272, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

H.J.R. 582 (Committee Substitute), A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS OF JULIANNA EARP, MARK DAVIS, MICHAEL ROBINSON, AND ADAM CONRAD AS SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute Joint Resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Lord, we thank you that you've allowed us to assemble here in this chamber, on this day, in this city, in this state. We ask that you bless those that are sick and those that are recovering from illness, those who are ill, those who are hurting. Lord, we know you are the God of peace where there is fear. You are the God of joy where there is sadness. You are the God of hope when all around is despair.

Bless us. Lord, we ask in this chamber that you touch each and every one of us and guide us as we make decisions for our people. Lord, we ask that you bless all of us with good health, joy, peace, and love. These blessings we ask in your name, Jesus. And all the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, April 27, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Galey, and Senator Salvador.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 248 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IDENTIFICATION CARDS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 113, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL IN TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CASES.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 164, AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ROCKWELL.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 288 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 270 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE, upon second reading.

Senator Johnson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (47-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Newton, the Senate adjourns at 4:29 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, April 29, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the **Finance Committee**:

S.B. 322, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, TO EXEMPT COVID-19 RELIEF PAYMENTS FROM THE INCOME DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPERTY TAX HOMESTEAD EXCLUSION, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE REVENUE LAWS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45409, which changes the title to read **S.B. 322** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE REVENUE LAWS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; TO REDUCE THE IMPACT OF THE FEDERAL STATE AND LOCAL TAX DEDUCTION CAP; TO MODIFY THE EXCISE TAX ON PREMIUM CIGARS; TO EXTEND THE TIME TO COMPLETE AN ELIGIBLE PROJECT UNDER THE MILL REHABILITATION TAX CREDIT PROGRAM; TO LIMIT THE GROSS PREMIUMS TAX ON SURETY BONDS; TO PROVIDE TAX PARITY FOR SHORT-TERM VEHICLE RENTALS; TO GRADUATE LATE PAYMENT PENALTIES; AND TO CREATE A SEPARATE STATE NET LOSS CALCULATION FOR INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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S.B. 347, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO CAPTIVE INSURANCE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15281, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Ballard for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 671, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35270, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 654, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15280, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 322 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL, ADMINISTRATIVE, AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE REVENUE LAWS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; TO REDUCE THE IMPACT OF THE FEDERAL STATE AND LOCAL TAX DEDUCTION CAP; TO MODIFY THE EXCISE TAX ON PREMIUM CIGARS; TO EXTEND THE TIME TO **COMPLETE** AN **ELIGIBLE PROJECT UNDER** THE REHABILITATION TAX CREDIT PROGRAM; TO LIMIT THE GROSS PREMIUMS TAX ON SURETY BONDS; TO PROVIDE TAX PARITY FOR SHORT-TERM VEHICLE RENTALS; TO GRADUATE LATE PAYMENT PENALTIES: AND TO CREATE A SEPARATE STATE NET LOSS CALCULATION FOR INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 28.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 35, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWFUL AGE TO ENTER INTO MARRIAGE IN THIS STATE TO 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35273, which changes the title to read **S.B. 35** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO MARRY, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 208, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35271, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 455, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DECRIMINALIZE NON-STATUTORY CRIMINAL OFFENSES AND VIOLATIONS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15283, which changes the title to read **S.B. 455** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND TO PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSOR

Senator Nickel requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

- **S.B. 479**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING A COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT FOR RETIREES OF THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ENACT THESE COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS FOR STATE RETIREES.
- **S.B. 510**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE RELEASE OF BODY-WORN AND DASHBOARD CAMERA RECORDINGS UPON REQUEST AFTER FORTY-EIGHT HOURS HAVE PASSED FROM THE TIME OF THE RECORDING.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 164, AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO AND TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF ROCKWELL. (Became law upon ratification, April 28, 2021 - S.L. 2021-17)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FIFTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, April 29, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 11:30 a.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day you have given us, another week you've given us. We just want to praise you for your grace and love. Give us a safe journey home later today, and guide and direct all of our thoughts, words, and deeds. In Jesus' name, Amen."

April 29, 2021

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, April 28, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Murdock, and Senator Salvador.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 60 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN RULES RELATED TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 99 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT, UNLESS THE CONDUCT IS COVERED UNDER ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW PROVIDING GREATER PUNISHMENT, LARCENY OF A CATALYTIC CONVERTER IS A CLASS I FELONY, TO REQUIRE SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS TO MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC RECORD OF CERTAIN **INFORMATION** TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE **SALE** OF **CATALYTIC** CONVERTERS, TO INCLUDE A FINE AS PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS INVOLVING THE PURCHASE OF **CATALYTIC** CONVERTERS, TO PROVIDE THAT SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN ONLY PURCHASE CATALYTIC CONVERTERS FROM CERTAIN PEOPLE AND ONLY SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN PURCHASE USED CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 651, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE VETERINARY PRACTICE ACT, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 666 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT UPDATING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES; AND AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC FILINGS OF ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES, upon second reading. The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0).

Senator Krawiec objects to third reading of the measure. Pursuant to Rule 50, the Chair orders the Committee Substitute bill placed on the calendar of Monday, May 3, upon third reading.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Waddell submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "IN HONOR OF MS. HESTER MCCARDELL FORD." Upon motion of Senator Waddell, without objection, the Senatorial Statement is spread upon the Journal. (See Appendix.)

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that would ordinarily appear on the calendar of Monday, May 3, will be placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 11:48 a.m., in honor and in memory of Ms. Hester McCardell Ford, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, May 3, at 4:00 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 103 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 176, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES BY ENHANCING THE PLAN'S ABILITY TO COLLECT OVERPAYMENTS AND UNPAID PREMIUMS AND PROHIBITING THE PLAN FROM ALLOWING THIRD PARTIES TO WRITE OFF DEBT OWED TO THE STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 294 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING DEALERS TO SELL USED VEHICLES ISSUED A SALVAGE CERTIFICATION WITHOUT CONDUCTING A SAFETY INSPECTION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 340 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN ADVISORY COUNCIL ON PEDIATRIC ACUTE-ONSET NEUROPSYCHIATRIC SYNDROME (PANS) AND PEDIATRIC AUTOIMMUNE NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISORDER ASSOCIATED WITH STREPTOCOCCAL INFECTIONS (PANDAS).

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- **H.B. 598** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR.
 - Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- **H.B. 77**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO MOORE COUNTY SCHOOLS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 92 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CERTAIN SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 111, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY SCHOOLS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 129 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO INDOOR AND OUTDOOR FACILITIES IN CERTAIN COUNTIES FOR GRADUATION OR COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND TO CERTAIN LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS TO ALIGN THE SCHOOL CALENDARS OF THOSE UNITS WITH LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 319, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REGARDING COVID-19 IMPACT ON CRAVEN COUNTY SCHOOLS CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 396 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADDRESS PANDEMIC LEARNING LOSS BY ALLOWING ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENTS TO THE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR KANNAPOLIS CITY SCHOOLS AND CABARRUS COUNTY SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 504 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION OF THE CHAIR AND THE MEMBERS OF THE WELDON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND TO ALLOW THE WELDON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO INCREASE THE MONTHLY COMPENSATION OF ITS MEMBERS AND ESTABLISH AN EXPENSE ALLOWANCE FOR ITS MEMBERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 459, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE PERMANENT REGISTRATION PLATES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES OWNED BY A WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 616 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN BARRIERS RELATED TO FAST-TRACK REPLICATION OF HIGH-QUALITY CHARTER SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 93 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING EACH HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER WHO PRESCRIBES AN OPIOID MEDICATION TO A PATIENT TO PROVIDE EDUCATION ON AND OFFER A PRESCRIPTION FOR AN OPIOID ANTAGONIST FOR THAT PATIENT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 235 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE UNNECESSARY DELAY OF CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT COURT BY PERMITTING THE REMOTE TESTIMONY OF CERTAIN WITNESSES USING TECHNOLOGY AND PROCEDURES THAT PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF DEFENDANTS AND ADVANCE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 116 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CERTAIN BOARDS OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING SCHOOL CALENDARS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 486 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO USE A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ASSESSMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AND COLLEGE READINESS TO REPLACE THE END-OF-COURSE TESTS FOR GRADES NINE THROUGH TWELVE AND TO ESTABLISH A NEW CAREER READINESS INDICATOR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 406 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING A SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN CLEVELAND, RUTHERFORD, WAYNE, AND MOORE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ATTAIN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 605 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EQUIP VOTERS WITH RESOURCES AND INFORMATION ABOUT THE VOTING PROCESS PRIOR TO ENTERING THE VOTING PLACE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 602 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FINANCE, BUSINESS OFFICE, AND AUDITOR PROFESSIONALS FROM MOST PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN RESOURCES ACT, TO CONSOLIDATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN REPORTS, TO MAKE CHANGES FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR VETERANS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW, TO CODIFY CAPITAL PROJECT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE MORGANTON CAMPUS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports and a select committee report are submitted as follows:

By Senator Hise for the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee:

S.B. 172, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO COVID-19 RELIEF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL COVID-19 PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35274, which changes the title to read **S.B. 172** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE AND FUND, AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND TO MAINTAIN FUNDS PAID TO THE STATE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND; TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR DISTRIBUTION TO NONENTITLEMENT UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT; TO APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE STATE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND OTHER CHANGES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 235, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE NEW STATE VETERANS HOME IN KERNERSVILLE FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15284, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 142, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING RESERVE FOR CERTAIN BUILDING PROJECTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Perry for the Health Care Committee:

S.B. 228 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 45410, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

S.B. 191 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

S.B. 237, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE TO APPOINT A MEMBER NOMINATED BY THE ALLIANCE OF INSURANCE AGENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE REINSURANCE FACILITY, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

S.B. 347 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO CAPTIVE INSURANCE, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

S.B. 372, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE CLASSIFICATIONS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING LICENSES, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

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S.B. 421, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR RECENT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

S.B. 465 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THAT DOORSTEP REFUSE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION CONTAINERS BE ALLOWED IN EXIT ACCESS CORRIDORS OF CERTAIN APARTMENT OCCUPANCIES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

S.B. 654 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

S.B. 671 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

By Senator Rabon for the **Select Committee on Nominations**:

H.J.R. 582 (Committee Substitute), A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS OF JULIANNA EARP, MARK DAVIS, MICHAEL ROBINSON, AND ADAM CONRAD AS SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute Joint Resolution is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

S.R. 397, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF MACHELLE SANDERS AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, with a favorable report. The resolution is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 4.

By Senator Harrington for the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee**:

S.B. 277, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 542, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Edwards for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 217 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.J.R. 469, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF WANDA TAYLOR TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Joint Resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

S.B. 329, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN SMALL PROJECTS FROM ARCHITECTURAL BUILDING CODE AND BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 345, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISION ARRANGEMENT OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LICENSURE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 505 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT NORTH CAROLINIANS FROM BECOMING VICTIMS OF SURPRISE BILLING BY OUT-OF-NETWORK HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE RENDERED HEALTH CARE SERVICES AT HEALTH SERVICES FACILITIES THAT ARE IN-NETWORK WITH AN INDIVIDUAL'S HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.J.R. 718, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ADRIAN A. PHILLIPS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Joint Resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

S.B. 201, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES ON OWNER-RETAINED SALVAGE FORMS AND ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35275, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSOR

Senator Foushee requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 632, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA MOMNIBUS ACT.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FIFTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, May 3, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Mike Woodard, Senator from Durham County, as follows:

"O Mighty God, our heavenly Father, send down upon those who hold office in this state the spirit of wisdom, charity, and justice; that with steadfast purpose they may faithfully serve in their offices to promote the well-being of all people. These things we ask in your holy name. Amen."

For Local Government The Episcopal Book of Common Prayer Senator Woodard announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, April 29, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Woodard, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 4:03 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, May 4, at 9:30 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

April 30, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mark Robinson Lieutenant Governor 310 N. Blount Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 62-10, I am pleased to nominate Karen M. Kemerait of Wake County to serve on the North Carolina Utilities Commission and hereby submit her name for confirmation by the General Assembly.

I am grateful for her willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

Sincerely S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Phil Berger The Honorable Robert T. Reives II

The Honorable Tim Moore Ms. Sarah Holland The Honorable Dan Blue Mr. James White

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 115 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FULL CAPACITY ATTENDANCE AT STADIUMS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 425, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS AND TO CREATE AN ARTICLE GOVERNING VEHICLE VALUE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 1.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 490, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN LICENSE REVOCATION LAWS TO ENABLE ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 496, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND AND TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO VARIOUS INSURANCE LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 650, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS LICENSING LAW GOVERNS RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate**Committee

Pursuant to Senator Woodard's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FIFTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, May 4, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.R. 720, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF JAMES "JIM" WEAVER AS THE STATE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER AND SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a resolution as follows:

S.R. 720, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF JAMES "JIM" WEAVER AS THE STATE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER AND SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 4.

The resolution is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Select Committee on Nominations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 142, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING RESERVE FOR CERTAIN BUILDING PROJECTS, with a favorable report.

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- H.B. 217 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 201** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES ON OWNER-RETAINED SALVAGE FORMS AND ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 228** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 235** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE NEW STATE VETERANS HOME IN KERNERSVILLE FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 277**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 329**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN SMALL PROJECTS FROM ARCHITECTURAL BUILDING CODE AND BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 345**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISION ARRANGEMENT OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LICENSURE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 455** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND TO PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 462** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND LOWER COSTS, with a favorable report.

- S.B. 505 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT NORTH CAROLINIANS FROM BECOMING VICTIMS OF SURPRISE BILLING BY OUT-OF-NETWORK HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE RENDERED HEALTH CARE SERVICES AT HEALTH SERVICES FACILITIES THAT ARE IN-NETWORK WITH AN INDIVIDUAL'S HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 542**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 586**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY LIPEDEMA, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 690**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL FOR WOMEN ADVISORY BOARD, STATE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND NORTH CAROLINA INTERNSHIP COUNCIL BY PROVIDING APPOINTMENTS BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 707** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE AIRPORT AUTHORITIES AND OPERATORS WITH ADDITIONAL NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT IN THE ADOPTION OF LAND USE REGULATIONS, with a favorable report.

By Senator Britt for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 219 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR AND MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 448, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING, IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY OBJECTION BY THE COMMISSION FOR MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR THE AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM SCHEDULE VI OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee**.

S.B. 552, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT WHO MAY ADVERTISE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MINOR CHILD UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO ADOPTIONS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 644, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45414, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Edwards for the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment** Committee:

S.B. 452, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A PUBLIC UTILITY, ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION, AND TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION SHALL NOT IN ITS DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES BILL ANY PERSON OR COMPANY FOR SERVICE PROVIDED TO A HOUSEHOLD OR BUSINESS LOCATION THAT THE PERSON OR COMPANY DOES NOT OWN, LEASE, OR OCCUPY, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45412, which changes the title to read **S.B. 452** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO GENERALLY PROHIBIT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT OPERATES A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE FROM BILLING A LANDLORD FOR SERVICE PROVIDED TO PREMISES THAT THE LANDLORD NO LONGER OWNS, LEASES, OR OCCUPIES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 474, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45411, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 605, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15287, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

By Senator Johnson for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 574 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A CHANGE OF BENEFICIARY UNDER A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY IF THAT BENEFICIARY WAS SELECTED UNDER FRAUDULENT CIRCUMSTANCES OR FALSE PRETENSES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 470, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE INNOVATION COMMISSION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15288, which changes the title to read **S.B. 470** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Draw near to us, Lord. Teach us and guide us. Help us to work for thy will. Help us to do the things that your word has taught us. Help us to be mindful of others. Help us to show kindness to all as we do your bidding on behalf of the great Old North State. These things we pray, and all of the people said, 'Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, May 3, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Bazemore.

May 4, 2021

MOTIONS RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 172 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE AND FUND, AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND TO MAINTAIN FUNDS PAID TO THE STATE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND; TO APPROPRIATE THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR FUNDS FROM DISTRIBUTION TO NONENTITLEMENT UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT; TO APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE STATE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND OTHER CHANGES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 29.

Pursuant to Rule 47(a), Senator Rabon offers a motion that the Committee Substitute bill be withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on today's calendar, which motion prevails without objection, and the Chair so orders.

S.B. 191 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Wednesday, May 5.

CALENDAR

Bills and resolutions on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 237, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE TO APPOINT A MEMBER NOMINATED BY THE ALLIANCE OF INSURANCE AGENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE REINSURANCE FACILITY, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 248 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IDENTIFICATION CARDS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 347 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO CAPTIVE INSURANCE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 372, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE CLASSIFICATIONS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING LICENSES, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 421, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR RECENT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 465 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THAT DOORSTEP REFUSE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION CONTAINERS BE ALLOWED IN EXIT ACCESS CORRIDORS OF **OCCUPANCIES CERTAIN APARTMENT UNDER CERTAIN** CIRCUMSTANCES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 654 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, upon second reading.

Senator Ballard offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 671 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (29-20) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.J.R. 582 (Committee Substitute), A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS OF JULIANNA EARP, MARK DAVIS, MICHAEL ROBINSON, AND ADAM CONRAD AS SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute Joint Resolution passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 666 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT UPDATING REQUIREMENTS FOR HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES; AND AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO RECEIVE ELECTRONIC FILINGS OF ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading (49-0) and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.R. 397, A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MACHELLE SANDERS AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, for adoption.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0) and changes the title to read, **S.R. 397**, A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MACHELLE SANDERS AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the resolution, as amended, is adopted (49-0), and the amendment is ordered engrossed.

S.B. 172 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE AND FUND, AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND TO MAINTAIN FUNDS PAID TO THE STATE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND; TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR DISTRIBUTION TO NONENTITLEMENT LOCAL UNITS OF GOVERNMENT; APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE STATE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND OTHER CHANGES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

FILING OF A BILL

Senator Rabon offers a motion to suspend Rule 40.2(b) to allow Senator Foushee to file the bill draft with the short title "Youth Mentoring Services Act," which was not submitted by the bill filing deadline due to a clerical error. The motion prevails without objection.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:57 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, May 5, at 9:30 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 554, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN NORTH CAROLINA BY ENCOURAGING THE CONVERSION OF SHIPPING CONTAINERS TO HOUSING UNITS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 336, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 24.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 375, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS AND CERTIFIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONALS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 30.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, May 5, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 208** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 219** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR AND MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 452** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO GENERALLY PROHIBIT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT OPERATES A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE FROM BILLING A LANDLORD FOR SERVICE PROVIDED TO PREMISES THAT THE LANDLORD NO LONGER OWNS, LEASES, OR OCCUPIES, with a favorable report.
- S.B. 473, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 474** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 552**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT WHO MAY ADVERTISE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MINOR CHILD UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO ADOPTIONS, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 574** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A CHANGE OF BENEFICIARY UNDER A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY IF THAT BENEFICIARY WAS SELECTED UNDER FRAUDULENT CIRCUMSTANCES OR FALSE PRETENSES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 644** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 74, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TO INVEST EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS HELD IN TRUST IN ONE OR MORE OF THE TYPES OF SECURITIES OR OTHER INVESTMENTS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW FOR THE STATE TREASURER, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 10.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 145, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO CONVEY CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on February 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 311, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 17.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 580, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RECONCILE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF A CERTAIN RULE ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 636, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF CHARITABLE DONORS, referred to the **Rules and Operations** of the **Senate Committee** on April 7.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 693, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS; TO EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CREATE A PRESUMPTION THAT FOSTER PARENTS WITH WHOM A CHILD HAS LIVED CONTINUOUSLY FOR NINE MONTHS ARE DEEMED NONRELATIVE KIN; AND TO CREATE AN AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCE FOR THE EXPOSURE TO UNLAWFUL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN UTERO OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES USED IN VIOLATION OF THE LAW IN UTERO, referred to the Judiciary Committee on April 21, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

A sequential referral to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** is added between the existing referrals.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Krawiec for the Health Care Committee:

S.B. 448, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING, IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY OBJECTION BY THE COMMISSION FOR MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR THE AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM SCHEDULE VI OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the Transportation Committee:

S.B. 379, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE AN UNREGISTERABLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES, with a favorable report.

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Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

S.B. 342, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45416, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee.

S.B. 343, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY CERTAIN LAWS GOVERNING THE SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45417, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

By Senator Lee for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 450, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15290, which changes the title to read **S.B. 450** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS IN EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 593, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARTIES TO SEEK IMMEDIATE JUDICIAL REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISIONS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION DUE PROCESS HEARINGS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45418, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

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By Senator Sanderson for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 300, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS: TO REOUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S RECORD OF ARREST PROSECUTION BACKGROUND (RAP BACK) SYSTEM FOR LAW **ENFORCEMENT** HIRING PURPOSES: TO **EXPAND** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURT'S COURT DATE REMINDER DECRIMINALIZE **NON-STATUTORY** TO OFFENSES AND VIOLATIONS; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR RIOT OFFENSES; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; AND TO MANDATE FIRST APPEARANCES FOR ALL CHARGES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY TO BE HELD WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35276, which changes the title to read S.B. 300 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL; TO EXPAND TRANSPORTATION OF INVOLUNTARY **COMMITMENT** RESPONDENTS; TO **STANDARDIZE** ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO EXPAND THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS' COURT DATE REMINDER SYSTEM; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR RIOT OFFENSES; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF **DIRECTORS** ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; AND TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 355 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PERSONNEL HIRING, FIRING, AND PERFORMANCE RECORDS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 15289, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 605 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 35277, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Finance Committee:

S.B. 367, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OR CONSTRUCTION AND THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45415, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Lee for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

S.B. 582, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AVAILABILITY OF ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS IN HIGH SCHOOL AFTER RECEIVING ONE SEMESTER OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE COURSES IN TEACHER PREPARATION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35278, which changes the title to read **S.B. 582** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO BE ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE COURSES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 695, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT A STATEWIDE MEDICAL ACTION PLAN FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45420, which changes the title to read **S.B. 695** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE MEDICAL CONDITION ACTION PLANS FOR CERTAIN STUDENTS IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 429, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, AND CERTAIN STATUTES AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 1.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 507, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 408, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD ETHICS (SAFE) ACT OF 2021, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

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Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35279, which changes the title to read S.B. 408 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD EMERGENCY (SAFE) ACT OF 2021, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Lord, you are in charge, and we are so glad of it because we are not capable to make the right decisions all the time. So, I ask that you be with us, give us wisdom in everything we do. Lord, give us peace about the decisions we make. Let us just be truthful and honest and lift each other up in all the things that we do. We ask this in your Son, Jesus', name. Amen."

Senator Berger, President Pro Tempore, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, May 4, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Lowe.

ENROLLED RESOLUTION

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.J.R. 582. A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS OF JULIANNA EARP, MARK DAVIS, MICHAEL ROBINSON, AND ADAM CONRAD AS SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES. (Res. 2021-4)

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 191 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, upon second reading.

Senator Perry offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (40-9) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 201 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES ON OWNER-RETAINED SALVAGE FORMS AND ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 228 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 235 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE NEW STATE VETERANS HOME IN KERNERSVILLE FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 277, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 329, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN SMALL PROJECTS FROM ARCHITECTURAL BUILDING CODE AND BUILDING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS, upon second reading.

Senator Jarvis offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 345, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISION ARRANGEMENT OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LICENSURE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 455 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND TO PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 462 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND LOWER COSTS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-1).

Without objection, the Committee Substitute bill is read a third time.

Senator Krawiec offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its third reading (48-1) and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 505 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT NORTH CAROLINIANS FROM BECOMING VICTIMS OF SURPRISE BILLING BY OUT-OF-NETWORK HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS THAT HAVE RENDERED HEALTH CARE SERVICES AT HEALTH SERVICES FACILITIES THAT ARE IN-NETWORK WITH AN INDIVIDUAL'S HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN, upon second reading.

Senator Mayfield offers Amendment No. 1.

Senator Krawiec moves that Amendment No. 1 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Sanderson, which motion prevails (28-21).

Senator Mayfield offers Amendment No. 2.

Senator Krawiec moves that Amendment No. 2 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Sanderson, which motion prevails (28-21).

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 542, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 586, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY LIPEDEMA, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

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S.B. 690, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL FOR WOMEN ADVISORY BOARD, STATE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND NORTH CAROLINA INTERNSHIP COUNCIL BY PROVIDING APPOINTMENTS BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, AND THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 707 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE AIRPORT AUTHORITIES AND OPERATORS WITH ADDITIONAL NOTICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT IN THE ADOPTION OF LAND USE REGULATIONS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 142, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING RESERVE FOR CERTAIN BUILDING PROJECTS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 217 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 5:21 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, May 6, at 9:30 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 405, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Health Care Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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FIFTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, May 6, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

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INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

A bill filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Foushee (Primary Sponsor); deViere and J. Jackson:

S.B. 721, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE YOUTH MENTORING GRANT PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 160 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.J.R. 233, A JOINT RESOLUTION APPLYING TO CONGRESS FOR AN ARTICLE V CONVENTION OF THE STATES WITH THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

H.B. 273 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM PROPERTY TAX THE INCREASE IN VALUE OF PROPERTY DUE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TOWNHOUSES HELD FOR SALE BY A BUILDER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 278, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT SUNSETTING ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BY BOARDS OF ALCOHOLIC CONTROL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 327 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE PROCESS FOR LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF RULES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 344 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 349 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ALLOWABLE VALIDITY PERIOD FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL OFFICER APPOINTMENTS AND TO REQUIRE THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM TO OFFER A TRAFFIC-CONTROL TRAINING COURSE FOR THOSE THAT WOULD BE APPOINTED AS A TRAFFIC-CONTROL OFFICER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 386 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO BAN THE DISCHARGE OR ATTEMPT TO DISCHARGE FIREARMS FROM, ON, ACROSS, OR OVER THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG THE RAILROAD SERVING THE MILITARY OCEAN TERMINAL AT SUNNY POINT IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 390, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION LOCATED IN HENDERSON, POLK, AND TRANSYLVANIA COUNTIES IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 395 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT EXEMPTING AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT DEMOGRAPHIC AND CLINICAL DATA, EXTENDING FOR CERTAIN PROVIDERS AND ENTITIES THE DEADLINES FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORK KNOWN AS NC HEALTHCONNEX, AND INSTITUTING REFORMS TO PROTECT PATIENTS.

H.B. 398 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPEAL PISTOL PURCHASE PERMITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 404 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 427, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LAUNCH A STATEWIDE FIREARM SAFE STORAGE AWARENESS INITIATIVE TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SAFE STORAGE OF FIREARMS AND TO FACILITATE THE DISTRIBUTION OF GUN LOCKS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 428 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO TEACHER LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS AND TO EXTEND AND EXPAND THE PROGRAM TO ALLOW RETIRED EDUCATORS TO RETURN TO WORK IN HIGH-NEED SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 436 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT, TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 447, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROTECTING THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS BY PRESERVING THEIR RIGHT TO RECEIVE VISITS BY CLERGY MEMBERS DURING HOSPITAL STAYS THAT OCCUR DURING A DECLARED DISASTER OR EMERGENCY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 473 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAWS PERTAINING TO THE SAFE SURRENDER OF INFANTS UNDER THE ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS AND TO MAKE CONFORMING STATUTORY CHANGES.

H.B. 481 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW EACH DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, INSTITUTION, COMMISSION, AND BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, OR LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF NORTH CAROLINA AND CAMPUS POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SELL, TRADE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OR ALL SURPLUS WEAPONS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO ANY FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 483 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAW ON PROVIDING MENTAL HEALTH OR MENTAL CAPACITY RECORDS WHEN APPLYING FOR A PISTOL PURCHASE PERMIT AND TO CREATE A MISDEMEANOR CRIME OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 531, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 536, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 547 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A REQUIREMENT FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION AND THE NORTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION TO UTILIZE THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 548, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND JUSTICE OFFICERS TO NOTIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION OR THE NORTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION, AS APPROPRIATE, WHEN THE OFFICER IS INFORMED THAT BECAUSE OF THE OFFICER'S BIAS, INTEREST, OR LACK OF CREDIBILITY, THE OFFICER MAY NOT BE CALLED TO TESTIFY AT TRIAL AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OR JUSTICE OFFICER.

H.B. 554, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE YEAR 2023 AS "NORTH CAROLINA YEAR OF THE TRAIL."

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- H.B. 560 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE LAWS OF THE STATE RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- H.B. 585 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT LICENSED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND PSYCHIATRISTS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO REPORT CERTAIN CRIMES AGAINST JUVENILES IF A PRIVILEGE AGAINST DISCLOSURE UNDER STATE LAW WOULD PREVENT THEM FROM DOING SO.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 620, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 644 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF REMOTE ACADEMIES BY LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 657 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE APPLICATION OF SCHOOL SAFETY REQUIREMENTS TO PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO ENCOURAGE CERTAIN NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS TO TAKE MEASURES TO IMPROVE SCHOOL SAFETY, TO REQUIRE THAT THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS BE ESTABLISHED AT EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIT, AND TO CODIFY THE DUTIES OF THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- H.B. 661, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT QUALIFIED YOUTH FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER MAY ENROLL IN COURSES IN FIRE TRAINING AT COMMUNITY COLLEGES. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- **H.B.** 677, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A COMMITTEE TO CREATE A GRADUATE PROFILE AND SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM WITH MULTIPLE MEASURES FOR NORTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 752 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 755 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENSURE ACADEMIC TRANSPARENCY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 760, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE OPPORTUNITY GAP TASK FORCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 693, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS; TO EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CREATE A PRESUMPTION THAT FOSTER PARENTS WITH WHOM A CHILD HAS LIVED CONTINUOUSLY FOR NINE MONTHS ARE DEEMED NONRELATIVE KIN; AND TO CREATE AN AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCE FOR THE EXPOSURE TO UNLAWFUL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN UTERO OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES USED IN VIOLATION OF THE LAW IN UTERO, referred to the Judiciary Committee on April 21, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee. A sequential referral to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee was added on May 5 between the existing referrals.

The sequential referral to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee is stricken.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 336, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 429, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, AND CERTAIN STATUTES AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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S.B. 507, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT. AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the **Senate Committee.**

S.B. 593 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARTIES TO SEEK IMMEDIATE JUDICIAL REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISIONS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION DUE PROCESS HEARINGS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 636, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF CHARITABLE DONORS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15291, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Perry for the Health Care Committee:

S.B. 375, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS AND CERTIFIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONALS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 405, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President Pro Tempore.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Paul Newton, Senator from Cabarrus County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, on this National Day of Prayer, we put you where you belong, which is head of it all, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords. Let this day be a reminder to us that we are the servants, not the served. Help us as elected officials not be susceptible to the slippery slope of putting ourselves ahead of those whom we serve. Thank you, Lord, for giving us glimpses into the mind of Christ. Help us to be your hands and feet on this earth, especially as we serve others in this body. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, May 5, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Murdock.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 390,** AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ENROLL IN AS MANY COURSES PER YEAR AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES.
- **H.B. 142,** AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING RESERVE FOR CERTAIN BUILDING PROJECTS.
- **H.B. 217,** AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 219 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR AND MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 11.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 208 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, upon second reading.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Lowe.

Senator Woodard offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 452 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO GENERALLY PROHIBIT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT OPERATES A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE FROM BILLING A LANDLORD FOR SERVICE PROVIDED TO PREMISES THAT THE LANDLORD NO LONGER OWNS, LEASES, OR OCCUPIES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 473, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT, upon second reading.

Senator Mayfield offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (42-6) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 474 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 552, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT WHO MAY ADVERTISE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MINOR CHILD UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO ADOPTIONS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

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S.B. 574 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A CHANGE OF BENEFICIARY UNDER A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY IF THAT BENEFICIARY WAS SELECTED UNDER FRAUDULENT CIRCUMSTANCES OR FALSE PRETENSES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 644 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that would ordinarily appear on the calendar of Friday, May 7, will be placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Woodard submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "HONORING JOHN DEE HOLEMAN."

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Fitch, the Senate adjourns at 12:53 p.m., in memory of John Dee Holeman, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Friday, May 7, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Perry for the Health Care Committee:

S.B. 575, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CLINICAL PHARMACIST PRACTITIONERS AND IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO PRESCRIBE, DISPENSE, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35280, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 594, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS PROCESSES, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, AND MAKING VARIOUS TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM, AS REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35282, which changes the title to read S.B. 594 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE PROCESSES, **MEDICAID** PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, REQUIRING MEDICAID STANDARD BENEFIT PLANS TO COVER ADDITIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, ALLOWING RETROACTIVE COVERAGE OF MEDICAID SERVICES BY PREPAID HEALTH PLANS, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, REMOVING THE RATE FLOOR FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, AND MAKING CORRECTIONS **VARIOUS** TECHNICAL TO THE **STATUTES** GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM, AS REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

S.B. 294 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

S.B. 355 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PERSONNEL HIRING, FIRING, AND PERFORMANCE RECORDS, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

S.B. 367 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OR CONSTRUCTION AND THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL

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FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

S.B. 408 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD EMERGENCY (SAFE) ACT OF 2021, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

S.B. 448, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING, IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY OBJECTION BY THE COMMISSION FOR MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR THE AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM SCHEDULE VI OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

S.B. 450 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS IN EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

S.B. 582 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO BE ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE COURSES, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

S.B. 605 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

S.B. 695 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE MEDICAL CONDITION ACTION PLANS FOR CERTAIN STUDENTS IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 10.

By Senator McInnis for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 342 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 343 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY CERTAIN LAWS GOVERNING THE SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 379, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE AN UNREGISTERABLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 693, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS; TO EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CREATE A PRESUMPTION THAT FOSTER PARENTS WITH WHOM A CHILD HAS LIVED CONTINUOUSLY FOR NINE MONTHS ARE DEEMED NONRELATIVE KIN; AND TO CREATE AN AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCE FOR THE EXPOSURE TO UNLAWFUL CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN UTERO OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES USED IN VIOLATION OF THE LAW IN UTERO, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45422, which changes the title to read **S.B. 693** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS AND EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CLARIFY THE NONCARETAKER DEFINITION FOR THE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS LIST; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT A CENTRALIZED HOTLINE FOR CHILD WELFARE INTAKE; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INCREASE APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS; AND TO PROVIDE SAFE AND APPROPRIATE PLACEMENT FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF BEHAVIORAL AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 490, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN LICENSE REVOCATION LAWS TO ENABLE ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

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Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35281, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

By Senator McInnis for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 299, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAINTAIN NAIC ACCREDITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE BY MAKING REVISIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE AND RESERVE FINANCING, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45423, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 425, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS AND TO CREATE AN ARTICLE GOVERNING VEHICLE VALUE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45421, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

S.B. 496, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND AND TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO VARIOUS INSURANCE LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35283, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Steinburg for the State and Local Government Committee:

S.B. 145, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO CONVEY CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 458, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE MOUNTAIN ISLAND LAKE MARINE COMMISSION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45425, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 543, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR INTERNAL AUDITS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45424, which changes the title to read **S.B. 543** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND CRITERIA FOR INTERNAL AUDITS, TO DIRECT THE COUNCIL OF INTERNAL AUDITING TO HIRE AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND TWO ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALISTS, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THOSE NEW POSITIONS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Ballard for the Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee:

S.B. 668, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LAWS; TO INSTITUTE A FIVE-YEAR MORATORIUM ON LAWSUITS AND CONTESTED CASES BY LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS AGAINST THE STATE REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ANTI-PENSION SPIKING CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP; TO REQUIRE AN ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES DURING THE MORATORIUM ON PENSION SPIKING LITIGATION INITIATED BY SCHOOL SYSTEMS THAT INCLUDES AN ACCOUNTING OF LEGAL FEES PAID BY BOTH SIDES; AND TO REQUIRE AN ASSESSMENT OF THE FEASIBILITY OF RESOLVING DISPUTES REGARDING PENSION-SPIKING USING BINDING ARBITRATION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35284, which changes the title to read **S.B. 668** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EMPLOYING UNITS; TO ADDRESS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES WHEN THE FINAL EMPLOYER OF A MEMBER IS NOT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER FOR AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION CALCULATIONS AND TO ADJUST THE FORMULA FOR REDUCED

RETIREMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PUT A LITIGATION PAUSE IN PLACE AND ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP THAT MAY REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE EARLY NOTIFICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF PROPOSED FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

REMOVAL OF A BILL SPONSOR

Senator Nickel requests to be removed as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 363, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE UNIFORM PARTITION OF HEIRS PROPERTY ACT.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SIXTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Friday, May 7, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Lisa S. Barnes, Senator from Nash County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Barnes, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we just thank you for this day, God. We thank you even for the rain that will water our crops, Lord, that we can be fed. We thank you that you provide for the rain. We thank you for the light that you provide also, God. We just ask that you would be with us today. Be with our members that are not here, Lord, that you would lead us and guide us in every decision that we make that we bring honor and glory to you. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Senator Woodard announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, May 6, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Woodard, seconded by Senator Barnes, the Senate adjourns at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, May 10, at 4:00 p.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of bills as follows:

S.B. 490 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN LICENSE REVOCATION LAWS TO ENABLE ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT, referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Commerce and Insurance Committee and re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 349, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE REFORMS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ZONING STATUTES, referred to the Finance Committee on April 26, with sequential referrals to the Judiciary Committee and the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The bill is withdrawn from the **Finance Committee** and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 300 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL; TO EXPAND TRANSPORTATION **INVOLUNTARY** OF COMMITMENT RESPONDENTS; TO STANDARDIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO EXPAND THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS' COURT DATE REMINDER SYSTEM; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR RIOT OFFENSES; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; AND TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS, referred to the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 5.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 221, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CONTINUANCES FOR CERTAIN DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDINGS WHERE ONE OR MORE PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDING DO NOT CONSENT TO A VIRTUAL MEETING, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 273, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE LAW ESTABLISHING THE CHARLOTTE FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 15.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR May 7, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Philip E. Berger Senate President Pro Tempore Legislative Building, Room 2007 Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-2808

Dear Senator Berger:

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 135-6, I am pleased to nominate the following individuals to serve on the North Carolina Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees and hereby submit their names for confirmation by the North Carolina Senate:

- McKinley Wooten, Jr. of Wake County, Active State Employee
- Cecil Vernon Gammon of Rockingham County, Not a Teacher or State Employee
- Joshua J. Smith of Iredell County, Not a Teacher or State Employee
- First Sergeant Harold Lee Councilman, Jr. of Granville County, State Law Enforcement Officer

I am grateful for their willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina.

Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Mark Robinson
The Honorable Dan Blue
The Honorable Dale Folwell
Ms. Sarah Holland

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 113,** AN ACT TO MODIFY THE RIGHT TO APPEAL IN TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS CASES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, May 7, 2021 S.L. 2021-18)
- **H.B. 142,** AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING RESERVE FOR CERTAIN BUILDING PROJECTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, May 7, 2021 S.L. 2021-19)

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S.B. 390, AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO ENROLL IN AS MANY COURSES PER YEAR AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS WITHOUT PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, May 7, 2021 - S.L. 2021-20)

Pursuant to Senator Woodard's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SIXTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, May 10, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:02 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

RECESS

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of bills as follows:

S.B. 221, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CONTINUANCES FOR CERTAIN DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDINGS WHERE ONE OR MORE PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDING DO NOT CONSENT TO A VIRTUAL MEETING, referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** on May 7, with a sequential referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The bill is withdrawn from the **State and Local Government Committee** and re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 520, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA GOVERNING THE PRACTICE OF RESPIRATORY CARE TO BETTER REFLECT THE CHANGES IN EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION IN ORDER TO ENHANCE THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Health Care Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 69 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 3 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PARTISAN ELECTORAL DISTRICTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 85 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD BY APPOINTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE RELEVANT POLITICAL PARTY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 144 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY, TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, AND TO PERMIT CERTAIN DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO PRACTICE DENTAL HYGIENE AT SCHOOLS WITHOUT A LICENSED DENTIST BEING PHYSICALLY PRESENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 149 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN COVERAGE FOR THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES THROUGH TELEHEALTH.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 165 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

H.B. 247 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO LOCAL STANDARDS OF STUDENT CONDUCT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 253 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF BURGAW AND TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SURF CITY TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ONSTREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 272 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION LAW TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG CHILDREN ARE NOT EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS LEAD IN DRINKING WATER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.J.R. 286, A JOINT RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO PROPOSE THE "KEEP NINE AMENDMENT" TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 297 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO OFFER REMOTE CONVERSION OF FULL PROVISIONAL LICENSES TO PERSONS DEPLOYED OUT-OF-STATE AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL DEFENSE TO DRIVING WITH AN EXPIRED LICENSE, AND WAIVING THE LATE FEE FOR RENEWING AN EXPIRED REGISTRATION FOR PERSONS DEPLOYED AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 304 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CITIES AND COUNTIES TO REMOVE PERSONAL INFORMATION FROM WEBSITES MAINTAINED BY COUNTIES AND CITIES WHEN REQUESTED BY CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, PROSECUTORS, PUBLIC DEFENDERS, AND JUDICIAL OFFICERS AND TO CLARIFY CERTAIN PERSONNEL RECORDS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 355 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE MANDATORY REPORTING OF AQUEOUS FILM-FORMING FOAM USAGE AND INVENTORY BY NORTH CAROLINA FIRE

DEPARTMENTS, TO CREATE AN ONLINE PORTAL TO TRACK FOAM USAGE, AND TO BAN THE USE OF CERTAIN FIRE RETARDANT FOAM CONTAINING PFAS FOR TRAINING, PRACTICE, OR TESTING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 362, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT TEACHERS TO TAKE PERSONAL LEAVE WITH FULL SALARY AS LONG AS THE TEACHER PROVIDES A REASON FOR THE REQUESTED LEAVE AND TO REQUIRE TEACHERS TO PAY THE FULL COST OF A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER ON CERTAIN DAYS IF THE TEACHER DOES NOT PROVIDE A REASON FOR THE REQUESTED LEAVE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 367 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE UNIFORM PARTITION OF HEIRS PROPERTY ACT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 387 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY IN FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL IN THE CITY OF DURHAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 400 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS AND TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 403 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 416 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY CONTRACTED BY THE PARK SOUTH STATION COMMUNITY TO ENFORCE MOTOR VEHICLE LAW VIOLATIONS OCCURRING WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 417, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING LAW ENFORCEMENT, PROBATION/PAROLE, AND CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WHO HOLD AN ADVANCED LAW ENFORCEMENT OR CORRECTIONS CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION OR THE ADVANCED LAW ENFORCEMENT

May 10, 2021

CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION TO PURCHASE AT FULL COST UP TO FOUR YEARS' CREDITABLE SERVICE IN THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 418, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE IT A CRIME TO THREATEN TO INFLICT SERIOUS BODILY HARM UPON OR TO KILL A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, PROBATION OR PAROLE OFFICER, DETENTION FACILITY EMPLOYEE, OR ANOTHER PERSON AS RETALIATION AGAINST THE OFFICER FOR PERFORMING THE OFFICER'S OFFICIAL DUTIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- **H.B. 448** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF BLUE LIGHTS ON FIRE APPARATUS.
 - Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- **H.B. 453** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT AGAINST DISCRIMINATION OF HUMAN LIFE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 480, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ADOPTING THE CAROLINA BALLOONFEST HELD IN THE CITY OF STATESVILLE AS THE OFFICIAL BALLOON RALLY OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 492 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS, 911 DISPATCHERS, AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES PERSONNEL ARE ENTITLED TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAUMA UNDER SPECIFIED CIRCUMSTANCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 498, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY VEHICLES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 519 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE DEFINITION OF AN AUTOCYCLE.

H.B. 606 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE JOINT APPROVAL FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE BEFORE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY ENTER INTO A CONSENT JUDGMENT OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN A DISPUTE, CLAIM, OR CONTROVERSY IN WHICH THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE HAVE INTERVENED OR ARE OTHERWISE NAMED PARTIES AND TO REQUIRE THAT SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS BE SATISFIED WITH FUNDS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR THAT PURPOSE FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 607 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION TO PROVIDE CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION AND THE SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION AND TO IMPLEMENT THE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S RECORD OF ARREST AND PROSECUTION BACKGROUND (RAP BACK) SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT HIRING PURPOSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 650 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MULTIPLE CHANGES TO MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 674 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT A DNA SAMPLE BE OBTAINED FROM ANY PERSON WHO IS ARRESTED FOR COMMITTING VARIOUS ASSAULT AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 684, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION STUDY DEVELOPMENT EXACTIONS, INCLUDING THEIR IMPACT ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND WHETHER THEY ARE CONSTITUTIONAL AS CURRENTLY IMPLEMENTED IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 692, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO PASSENGER VEHICLES OPERATING ON HIGHWAYS OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS.

H.B. 717 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ABOLISHING THE OFFICE OF COUNTY CORONER IN THIS STATE AND MAKING CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE RELEVANT STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 722 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION TO ALLOW GROWLERS UP TO FOUR LITERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 776 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ONLINE NOTARIZATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 781, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A CITY OR COUNTY TO DESIGNATE SOCIAL DISTRICTS WHERE PERSONS MAY POSSESS AND CONSUME ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PURCHASED FROM CERTAIN ABC PERMITTEES AND TO AUTHORIZE A CITY OR COUNTY TO ALLOW CERTAIN ABC PERMITTEES TO EXTEND THEIR LICENSED PREMISES FOR PURPOSES OF MAINTAINING SOCIAL DISTANCING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 857, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY WHEN A COVERED PERSON MAY USE THE PUBLIC POSITION WITH RESPECT TO LETTERS OF CHARACTER REFERENCE FOR INDIVIDUALS SEEKING UNPAID WORK AND FOR INDIVIDUALS BEING NOMINATED FOR PUBLIC SERVICE AWARDS FROM THE STATE AND TO REQUIRE THE LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE AND THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF ETHICAL STANDARDS AND THEIR POWERS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 488, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE USE OF DISCLAIMERS ON SIMULATED CHECKS OR INVOICES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 668 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EMPLOYING UNITS; TO ADDRESS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES WHEN THE FINAL EMPLOYER OF A MEMBER IS NOT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER FOR AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION CALCULATIONS AND TO ADJUST THE FORMULA FOR REDUCED RETIREMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PUT A LITIGATION PAUSE IN PLACE AND ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP THAT MAY REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE EARLY NOTIFICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF PROPOSED FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS, with a favorable report.

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Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 425 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS AND TO CREATE AN ARTICLE GOVERNING VEHICLE VALUE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 45426, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 221, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CONTINUANCES FOR CERTAIN DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDINGS WHERE ONE OR MORE PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDING DO NOT CONSENT TO A VIRTUAL MEETING, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15294, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Krawiec for the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee**:

S.B. 311, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15293, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County, as follows:

"O Lord, lift up the light of thy countenance upon us; let thy peace rule in our hearts, and may it be our strength and our song in the house of our pilgrimage. We commit ourselves to thy care in keeping this day; let thy grace be mighty in us, and sufficient for us, and let it work in us both to will and to do of Thine own good pleasure, and grant us strength for all of the duties of the day. Keep us from sin. Give us the rule over our own spirits and keep us from speaking unadvisedly with our lips. May we live together in peace and holy love, and do thou command thy blessing upon us, even life for evermore. Prepare us for all the events of the day; for we know not what a day may bring forth. Give us grace to deny ourselves; to take up our cross daily, and to follow in the steps of our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. Amen."*

*by Matthew Henry Included in <u>A Book of Reformed Prayers</u>

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Friday, May 7, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 355 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PERSONNEL HIRING, FIRING, AND PERFORMANCE RECORDS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed at the end of the calendar of Tuesday, May 11.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 294 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 367 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OR CONSTRUCTION AND THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, upon second reading.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Davis.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 49, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---49.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Tuesday, May 11, upon third reading.

S.B. 408 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD EMERGENCY (SAFE) ACT OF 2021, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 448, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING, IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY OBJECTION BY THE COMMISSION FOR MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, FOR THE AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM SCHEDULE VI OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 605 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 11.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 450 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS IN EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 582 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO BE ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE COURSES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 695 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE MEDICAL CONDITION ACTION PLANS FOR CERTAIN STUDENTS IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Craven, the Senate adjourns at 7:25 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, May 11, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 299** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAINTAIN NAIC ACCREDITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE BY MAKING REVISIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE AND RESERVE FINANCING, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 336**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION, with a favorable report.

S.B. 342 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES, with a favorable report.

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- **S.B. 343** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY CERTAIN LAWS GOVERNING THE SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 375**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS AND CERTIFIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONALS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 379**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE AN UNREGISTERABLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 405**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 429**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, AND CERTAIN STATUTES AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 490** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN LICENSE REVOCATION LAWS TO ENABLE ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 496** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND AND TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO VARIOUS INSURANCE LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 507**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 575** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CLINICAL PHARMACIST PRACTITIONERS AND IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO PRESCRIBE, DISPENSE, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 593** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARTIES TO SEEK IMMEDIATE JUDICIAL REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISIONS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION DUE PROCESS HEARINGS, with a favorable report.
- S.B. 594 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS PROCESSES, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, REQUIRING MEDICAID STANDARD BENEFIT PLANS TO COVER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, ADDITIONAL **ALLOWING** RETROACTIVE COVERAGE OF MEDICAID SERVICES BY PREPAID HEALTH PLANS, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, REMOVING THE RATE FLOOR FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, AND MAKING VARIOUS TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM, AS REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 636** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF CHARITABLE DONORS, with a favorable report.
- S.B. 693 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS AND EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CLARIFY THE NONCARETAKER DEFINITION FOR THE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS LIST; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT A CENTRALIZED HOTLINE FOR CHILD WELFARE INTAKE; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INCREASE APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS; AND TO PROVIDE SAFE AND APPROPRIATE PLACEMENT FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF BEHAVIORAL AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, with a favorable report.

By Senator Krawiec for the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging** Committee:

S.B. 273, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE LAW ESTABLISHING THE CHARLOTTE FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45427, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REMOVAL OF BILL SPONSORS

Senator Batch, Senator Crawford, Senator deViere, and Senator Salvador request to be removed as co-sponsors of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 35 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO MARRY.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SIXTY-SECOND DAY

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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Krawiec for the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging** Committee:

S.B. 314, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING STATUTES RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35285, which changes the title to read **S.B. 314** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 300 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL; TO EXPAND TRANSPORTATION OF **INVOLUNTARY** COMMITMENT RESPONDENTS; TO STANDARDIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO EXPAND THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS' COURT DATE REMINDER SYSTEM; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR RIOT OFFENSES; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF **DIRECTORS** OF ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; AND TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 15295, which changes the title to read S.B. 300 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO **GIGLIO** MATERIAL; TO **EXPAND** TRANSPORTATION INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT RESPONDENTS; TO STANDARDIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REQUIREMENTS; **REQUIRE** TO **PSYCHOLOGICAL** SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO **EDUCATE** ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO EXPAND THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS' COURT DATE REMINDER SYSTEM; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR RIOT OFFENSES; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS; TO PROTECT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE DISCLOSURE OF BODY-WORN CAMERA RECORDINGS RELATED TO DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 291 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND REQUIRE CERTAIN TIME LINES FOR PLAN REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COMMERCIAL AND MULTIFAMILY BUILDING PLANS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, TO PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE METHODS FOR PLAN REVIEW, TO REQUIRE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE TO PROVIDE FURTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENT INSPECTION DEPARTMENT OVERSIGHT, AND TO REQUIRE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO REMIT A PORTION OF PERMIT FEES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 476 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STANLY COUNTY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR TWO DISTRICT COURT SEATS IN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 20A.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 489 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE VARIOUS BUILDING CODE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY REFORMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 572 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE CREATION OF A VACCINE MANDATE BY USE OF AN EXECUTIVE ORDER OR THE RULEMAKING PROCESS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 608 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN WHO ARE INCARCERATED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 615 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN APPROPRIATE MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT TO BE PROVIDED FOR JUVENILES WHO HAVE BEEN ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT.

H.B. 629, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER MUST CONSULT WITH A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING A TARGETED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 664, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING COUNTIES TO ESTABLISH SERVICE DISTRICTS TO FINANCE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 739, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL PROCESS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 761, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING INTO CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES AND FOR THE THEFT OF CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 783, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE A STATE BUILDING CODE PERMIT TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 794 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DESIGNATE SCHOOLS AS A PERMITTED USE IN ALL ZONING DISTRICTS AND TO SPECIFY THAT CHARTER SCHOOLS ARE A SCHOOL FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 797 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY TO DELEGATE PAYMENTS OF REQUESTS FOR REFUNDS OF CERTAIN TAXES PAID.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 805, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR RIOTING OR INCITING RIOTING THAT RESULTS IN DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR DEATH AND ASSAULTING EMERGENCY PERSONNEL DURING A RIOT OR STATE OF EMERGENCY; TO ALLOW RECOVERY OF TREBLE DAMAGES FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY CAUSED BY RIOTING OR LOOTING; AND TO REQUIRE PRETRIAL RELEASE CONDITIONS FOR RIOTING AND LOOTING OFFENSES TO BE DETERMINED BY A JUDGE.

H.B. 806, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STUDY ON WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS IN THIS STATE. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.J.R. 880 (Committee Substitute), A JOINT RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 543 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND CRITERIA FOR INTERNAL AUDITS, TO DIRECT THE COUNCIL OF INTERNAL AUDITING TO HIRE AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND TWO ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALISTS, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THOSE NEW POSITIONS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:

S.B. 580, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RECONCILE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF A CERTAIN RULE ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, with a favorable report. Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 35** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO MARRY, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 221** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CONTINUANCES FOR CERTAIN DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDINGS WHERE ONE OR MORE PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDING DO NOT CONSENT TO A VIRTUAL MEETING, with a favorable report.

- S.B. 300 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL; TO EXPAND TRANSPORTATION OF INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT RESPONDENTS; STANDARDIZE LAW **ENFORCEMENT** OFFICER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO EXPAND THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS' COURT DATE REMINDER SYSTEM; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR RIOT OFFENSES; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS: TO PROTECT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE DISCLOSURE OF BODY-WORN CAMERA RECORDINGS RELATED TO DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, with a favorable report.
- S.B. 311 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, with a favorable report.
- S.B. 314 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION,

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MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 374** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF BLUE LIGHTS ON FIRE APPARATUS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 458** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE MOUNTAIN ISLAND LAKE MARINE COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 628**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE USE OF NATIVE NORTH CAROLINA PLANTS AND SEEDS ON STATE PROPERTY AND HIGHWAYS AND ON LOCAL PROJECTS THAT USE STATE FUNDS FOR LANDSCAPING, with a favorable report.
- S.B. 668 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EMPLOYING UNITS; TO ADDRESS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES WHEN THE FINAL EMPLOYER OF A MEMBER IS NOT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER FOR AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION CALCULATIONS AND TO ADJUST THE FORMULA FOR REDUCED RETIREMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PUT A LITIGATION PAUSE IN PLACE AND ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP THAT MAY REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE EARLY NOTIFICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF PROPOSED FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS, with a favorable report.

By Senator Edwards for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 554, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN NORTH CAROLINA BY ENCOURAGING THE CONVERSION OF SHIPPING CONTAINERS TO HOUSING UNITS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 650, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS LICENSING LAW **GOVERNS** RECREATIONAL VEHICLE **DEALERS** MANUFACTURERS, with a favorable report.

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Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 453, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR A CONSUMER TASTING IN AN ABC STORE SHALL BE ISSUED IN THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS LISTED ON THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35286, which changes the title to read S.B. 453 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR A CONSUMER TASTING IN AN ABC STORE SHALL BE ISSUED IN THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS LISTED ON THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT; TO ALLOW, SUBJECT TO THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE, ONLINE ORDERS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM ABC STORES; TO ALLOW THE PURCHASE OF SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR IN BOTTLES WITH PERSONALIZED LABELING; AND TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN EVENT CENTERS TO SEEK A MIXED BEVERAGE PERMIT, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 316, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FOR PLUMBING, HEATING, FIRE SPRINKLER, AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15296, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Newton for the Finance Committee:

S.B. 74. A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TO INVEST EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS HELD IN TRUST IN ONE OR MORE OF THE TYPES OF SECURITIES OR OTHER INVESTMENTS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW FOR THE STATE TREASURER, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 265, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE TRANSPARENCY OF BOND REFERENDUMS BY REQUIRING ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES ON BOND APPLICATIONS, THE ORDER APPROVING THE BOND APPLICATION, AND ON THE BALLOT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15292, which changes the title to read **S.B. 265** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE TRANSPARENCY OF BOND REFERENDA BY REQUIRING ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES BY UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TO MAKE LOCAL FINANCE RELATED CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY THE STATE TREASURER, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, let me pardon; where there is doubt, let faith become; where there is despair, allow hope; where there is darkness, provide light; where there is sadness, give us joy. These things we pray in your Son, Jesus the Christ. And all of the people said, 'Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, May 10, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Berger and Senator Davis.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 103, AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 355 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PERSONNEL HIRING, FIRING, AND PERFORMANCE RECORDS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is withdrawn from today's calendar and re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

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CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 367 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OR CONSTRUCTION AND THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 48, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---48.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 219 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR AND MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, upon second reading.

Senator McInnis offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (48-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 299 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAINTAIN NAIC ACCREDITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE BY MAKING REVISIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE AND RESERVE FINANCING, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 336, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 342 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES, upon second reading.

Without objection, Senator Burgin is excused from voting on the bill because he is a motor vehicle dealer.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 343 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY CERTAIN LAWS GOVERNING THE SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES, upon second reading.

Without objection, Senator Burgin is excused from voting on the bill due to a possible conflict of interest.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 375, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS AND CERTIFIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONALS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 379, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE AN UNREGISTERABLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 405, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT, upon second reading.

Upon the appearance of Senator Berger in the chamber, the Chair acknowledges his presence and the leave of absence granted previously is withdrawn.

The bill passes its second reading (28-21) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 429, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, AND CERTAIN STATUTES AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-2) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 490 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN LICENSE REVOCATION LAWS TO ENABLE ACCESS TO EMPLOYMENT, upon second reading.

Senator Britt offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 496 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND AND TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO VARIOUS INSURANCE LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 507, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 575 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CLINICAL PHARMACIST PRACTITIONERS AND IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO PRESCRIBE, DISPENSE, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 593 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PARTIES TO SEEK IMMEDIATE JUDICIAL REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISIONS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION DUE PROCESS HEARINGS, upon second reading.

Senator Marcus offers Amendment No. 1.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 1 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Sawyer, which motion prevails (29-20).

Senator B. Jackson offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (49-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (33-16) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 594 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS PROCESSES, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF

ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, REQUIRING MEDICAID STANDARD BENEFIT PLANS TO COVER ADDITIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, ALLOWING RETROACTIVE COVERAGE OF MEDICAID SERVICES BY PREPAID HEALTH PLANS, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, REMOVING THE RATE FLOOR FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, AND MAKING VARIOUS TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM, AS REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 605 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, upon second reading.

Senator B. Jackson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (29-20).

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its second reading (28-21) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 636 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF CHARITABLE DONORS, upon second reading. Senator Sanderson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (28-21).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (28-21) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 693 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS AND EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CLARIFY THE NONCARETAKER DEFINITION FOR THE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS LIST; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT A CENTRALIZED HOTLINE FOR CHILD WELFARE INTAKE; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INCREASE APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS; AND TO PROVIDE SAFE AND APPROPRIATE PLACEMENT FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF BEHAVIORAL AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 6:51 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, May 12, at 9:30 a.m.

REMOVAL OF BILL SPONSORS

Senator Marcus, Senator Murdock, and Senator Nickel request to be removed as co-sponsors of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 35 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO MARRY.

Senator Nickel requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 534, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE LEGISLATIVE REFORM COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING LEGISLATOR TERMS, TERM LIMITS, SESSION LIMITS, AND COMPENSATION.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SIXTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, May 12, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 3:00 p.m.

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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 96 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER INJECTABLE DRUGS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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H.B. 169 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ACCESS AND UTILIZE ITS OWN CLAIMS PAYMENT DATA WHILE CONTINUING TO PROTECT THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE INFORMATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 175, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 178 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE ACCESS TO ACCURATE PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT COST INFORMATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 195, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFENSE OF WILLFUL DESTRUCTION, ALTERATION, OR FALSIFICATION OF MEDICAL RECORDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 199, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 211 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ESTABLISHMENTS THAT SERVE FOOD AND DRINK TO OPERATE AND CONDUCT BUSINESS ACTIVITY PROVIDED CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 213 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PROVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICE LOCATION INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT UNDER CERTAIN EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 248 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPRING LAKE TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF APPOINTING THE TOWN'S FINANCE OFFICER AND TAX COLLECTOR AND TO CLARIFY THE TOWN'S AUTHORITY TO CONSOLIDATE POSITIONS.

H.B. 276 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT CERTAIN HIGH SCHOOLS IN ONSLOW COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN A SINGLE CONFERENCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 322, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT ON THE TOWN OF CARY TO ISSUE LOCAL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 350 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE WARREN COUNTY TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 359 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO TEMPORARILY WAIVE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT RELATE TO DRIVING ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATES AND TO RESTORE CERTAIN PERMITS AND PROVISIONAL LICENSES REVOKED DUE TO CERTIFICATE INELIGIBILITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- H.B. 361 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE SCOPE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- H.B. 365 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES FOR AIRPORT FACILITIES AND PREMISES GOVERNED BY THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 375 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 383, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 397, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM AND **OCCUPANCY INCREASE** THE YANCEY COUNTY AUTHORIZATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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H.B. 402 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT: TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT: TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM: TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 412 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNS OF MAGGIE VALLEY AND CANTON TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 415 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE VARIOUS LAWS OF THE PRACTICE AND LICENSURE OF CHIROPRACTIC.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 435 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO PRODUCE VARIOUS SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 443, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF INDIAN TRAIL AND A PORTION OF THE TOWN OF STALLINGS TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX.

H.B. 445, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO THE CHATHAM COUNTY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 461, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFYING AND TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE STATE AUDITOR STATUTES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 496 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT COUNTIES AND CITIES SHALL NOT ADOPT ORDINANCES REGULATING THE REMOVAL OF TREES FROM PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT THE EXPRESS AUTHORIZATION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 522, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PROVISIONS REGULATING THE SERVICE AND RELEASE OF ALTERNATE JURORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 524, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE COVERAGE FOR ORALLY ADMINISTERED ANTICANCER DRUGS DURING COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 544 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CRIMINALIZE THE ACT OF CAUSING A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO BE PRESENT AT AN EXHIBITION FEATURING ANIMAL FIGHTING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 561, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE RIGHTS OF APPEAL PURSUANT TO INSPECTIONS OF LOCAL CONFINEMENT FACILITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 584 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A COURT MAY CONSIDER POSTTRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AS A MITIGATING FACTOR WHEN SENTENCING A PERSON WHO IS A VETERAN.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 604 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT FOR CHILD CARE FACILITIES TO HAVE THE OPTION OF CONDUCTING COURTESY MORNING SAFETY CALLS FOR ABSENT CHILDREN TO ENSURE CHILD SAFETY.

H.B. 621, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RAISE THE COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AGE TO EIGHTEEN YEARS OLD OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD AND TO ESTABLISH A COMPLETION RATE INDICATOR FOR SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 642 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, DONOR MATCHING ENTITIES, AND HEALTH INSURERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 647 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ALLOWING CERTAIN RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ARE BENEFICIARIES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO RETURN TO WORK AS SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS OR ELECTED SHERIFFS WITHOUT ADVERSELY IMPACTING THEIR RETIREMENT BENEFITS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 648 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION TO THE PRACTICE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE FOR EMERGENCY PERSONNEL WHO RENDER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO AN INJURED K-9 POLICE ANIMAL OR AN INJURED SEARCH AND RESCUE DOG AT THE SCENE OF AN EMERGENCY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 671, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPLACE THE GRAY SQUIRREL WITH THE BLACK BEAR AS THE OFFICIAL STATE MAMMAL.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 676 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE TO EXPEND FUNDS TO CONDUCT EDUCATIONAL COURSES FOR LICENSED ARCHITECTS AND INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN ARCHITECTURE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 683, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING PHARMACIES TO PROVIDE PATIENTS WITH WRITTEN INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS ON PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL AND TO MAKE AVAILABLE ON-SITE AT LEAST ONE CONSUMER METHOD FOR PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL.

H.B. 685, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSUMER FINANCE ACT TO ALLOW THE RECOVERY OF ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEES IMPOSED BY THIRD PARTIES AND TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF OFFICIAL FEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 699, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR THE ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF A DISABLED OR ELDER ADULT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 704 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO GIVE COUNTIES ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY WITH REGARD TO THE LOCAL OPTION SALES AND USE TAX WITHOUT INCREASING THE EXISTING MAXIMUM TAX RATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 712 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF SUBJECTIVE STANDARDS IN CONDITIONAL USE PERMITTING BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENTS WITH AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS FOR FAMILIES MEETING CERTAIN INCOME LEVEL REQUIREMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 731 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING A UNIFORM RATE-SETTING PROCESS FOR ADULT DAY CARE SERVICES AND ADULT DAY HEALTH SERVICES FUNDED BY THE HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE BLOCK GRANT AND THE STATE ADULT DAY CARE FUND.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 734, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 735, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A MINIMUM OF THREE COMPETITIVE BIDS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR CONTRACTS FOR DREDGING SERVICES IN THE STATE'S COASTAL WATERS TO ALLOW FOR THE COMPLETION OF DREDGING PROJECTS IN A MORE TIMELY AND COST-EFFICIENT MANNER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 736 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THAT NEW CONDITIONS LISTED ON THE RECOMMENDED UNIFORM SCREENING PANEL (RUSP) BE ADDED TO NORTH CAROLINA'S NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM WITHIN

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THREE YEARS AFTER BEING ADDED TO THE RUSP AND TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO PROVIDE REPORTS ON ADDING RUSP CONDITIONS TO THE NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 738, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE BIPARTISAN NORTH CAROLINA LEGISLATIVE WORKING GROUP TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE RECODIFICATION OF NORTH CAROLINA'S CRIMINAL LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 741, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING LINE OF DUTY DEATH BENEFITS FOR TELECOMMUNICATORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 743 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ALTERING, DESTROYING, OR REMOVING PERMANENT PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION MARKS FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REMOVING, DEFACING, DESTROYING, ALTERING, OR COVERING OVER IDENTIFYING MARKS ON CERTAIN MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND APPARATUSES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 768, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL LAWS IN THIS STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 769 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A BILL OF RIGHTS RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS OF FOSTER PARENTS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 812, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF REMOTE MEETINGS DURING CERTAIN STATES OF EMERGENCY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 814, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD OCCUPANTLESS VEHICLES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 820 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE DESIGN-BUILD AND DESIGN-BUILD BRIDGING STATUTES, TO PROHIBIT WAIVER OF FUTURE CLAIMS FOR PROGRESS PAYMENTS ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, TO REQUIRE ATTORNEYS' FEES IN CERTAIN LIEN CLAIMS, AND TO CLARIFY THE LAW DECLARING CERTAIN INDEMNITY CONTRACTS VOID.

H.B. 823 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO SET CERTAIN CRITERIA FOR CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTERS TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE STATE FUNDS, TO GOVERN THE SHARING OF INFORMATION AND RECORDS OF CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTERS AND MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAMS, AND TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN IMMUNITY FOR CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 825, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD AND TO CREATE A STAGGER FOR THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 829 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTORE, TO THE STATE OF ITS EXISTENCE IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHAPTER 160D OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, THE LAW GOVERNING THE AUTHORITY OF COUNTIES AND CITIES TO CONDUCT PERIODIC INSPECTIONS FOR HAZARDOUS OR UNLAWFUL CONDITIONS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 844, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO ADOPT PROCEDURES TO ALLOW LESSORS WHO PROVIDE WATER AND SEWER SERVICE TO LESSES IN A SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING, RESIDENTIAL BUILDING, OR MULTIUNIT APARTMENT COMPLEX TO CHARGE FOR THE COST OF THE SERVICE IN THE SAME MANNER AS ELECTRIC SERVICE AND NATURAL GAS SERVICE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 854, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS, TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES, AND TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES AGAINST TENANTS WITH SERVICE ANIMALS OR SUPPORT ANIMALS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 878 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF ARE GOVERNED BY BOARDS OF TRUSTEES AND FUNCTION SIMILARLY TO LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS.

H.B. 890 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION LAWS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.J.R. 900, A JOINT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LUMBEE RECOGNITION ACT, WHICH EXTENDS FULL FEDERAL RECOGNITION TO THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 74**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TO INVEST EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS HELD IN TRUST IN ONE OR MORE OF THE TYPES OF SECURITIES OR OTHER INVESTMENTS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW FOR THE STATE TREASURER, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 145**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO CONVEY CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 265** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE TRANSPARENCY OF BOND REFERENDA BY REQUIRING ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES BY UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TO MAKE LOCAL FINANCE RELATED CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY THE STATE TREASURER, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 273** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE LAW ESTABLISHING THE CHARLOTTE FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 316** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FOR PLUMBING, HEATING, FIRE SPRINKLER, AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 425** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS AND TO CREATE AN ARTICLE GOVERNING VEHICLE VALUE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS, with a favorable report.

- S.B. 453 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR A CONSUMER TASTING IN AN ABC STORE SHALL BE ISSUED IN THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS LISTED ON THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT; TO ALLOW, SUBJECT TO THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE, ONLINE ORDERS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM ABC STORES; TO ALLOW THE PURCHASE OF SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR IN BOTTLES WITH PERSONALIZED LABELING; AND TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN EVENT CENTERS TO SEEK A MIXED BEVERAGE PERMIT, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 488**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE USE OF DISCLAIMERS ON SIMULATED CHECKS OR INVOICES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 554**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN NORTH CAROLINA BY ENCOURAGING THE CONVERSION OF SHIPPING CONTAINERS TO HOUSING UNITS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 580**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RECONCILE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF A CERTAIN RULE ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 650**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS LICENSING LAW GOVERNS RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"As we gather here under the umbrella today to vote, to give advice, to do the work of the people, for safety, for caring, we thank you for our fellowship and favor. We thank you for strength. And we thank you because you have restored and inspired us to make sure that we are making great and good legislation for the state of North Carolina. We ask that our souls would be lifted up among all men so that we would take our promises to all the earth and enjoy the benefits of all that you have provided for us and the people of this great state. And everybody said, 'Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, May 11, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Johnson.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 171, AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF BELVILLE AND WINGATE, REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SURF CITY, AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 221 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CONTINUANCES FOR CERTAIN DURHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDINGS WHERE ONE OR MORE PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDING DO NOT CONSENT TO A VIRTUAL MEETING, upon second reading.

Senator Woodard offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0), and changes the title to read, **S.B. 221** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CONTINUANCES FOR CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT PROCEEDINGS WHERE ONE OR MORE PARTIES TO THE PROCEEDING DO NOT CONSENT TO A VIRTUAL MEETING.

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Committee Substitute bill will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

CONVEYANCE OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that pass the Senate today and tomorrow will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

MOTIONS RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 145, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO CONVEY CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the bill is placed on today's calendar.

S.B. 374 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF BLUE LIGHTS ON FIRE APPARATUS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Thursday, May 13.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 314 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS, upon second reading.

Senator Davis offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 49, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---49.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, remains on the calendar for Thursday, May 13, upon third reading.

S.B. 35 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO MARRY, upon second reading.

Senator Britt offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0), and changes the title to read, **S.B. 35** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWFUL AGE OF MARRIAGE TO SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, AND TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A SIXTEEN OR SEVENTEEN YEAR-OLD TO MARRY.

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 300 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL; TO EXPAND **INVOLUNTARY** TRANSPORTATION OF **COMMITMENT** RESPONDENTS; TO STANDARDIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ENTRY REOUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REOUIREMENTS: TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO EXPAND THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS' COURT DATE SYSTEM; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL REMINDER ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR RIOT OFFENSES; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF **DIRECTORS** OF ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS; TO PROTECT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE DISCLOSURE OF BODY-WORN CAMERA RECORDINGS RELATED TO DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, upon second reading.

Senator Newton offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 311 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 458 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE MOUNTAIN ISLAND LAKE MARINE COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (46-3) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 628, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE USE OF NATIVE NORTH CAROLINA PLANTS AND SEEDS ON STATE PROPERTY AND HIGHWAYS AND ON LOCAL PROJECTS THAT USE STATE FUNDS FOR LANDSCAPING, upon second reading.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (49-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (46-2) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 668 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EMPLOYING UNITS; TO ADDRESS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES WHEN THE FINAL EMPLOYER OF A MEMBER IS NOT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER FOR AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION CALCULATIONS AND TO ADJUST THE FORMULA FOR REDUCED RETIREMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PUT A LITIGATION PAUSE IN PLACE AND ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP THAT MAY REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE EARLY NOTIFICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF PROPOSED FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS, upon second reading.

Senator Hise offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 145, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO CONVEY CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Waddell submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "RECOGNIZING THE DIVINE NINE."

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Waddell, the Senate adjourns at 3:59 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, May 13, at 9:00 a.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 47 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE OFFICIALS ELECTED IN THE STATE TO CARRY A CONCEALED FIREARM WHILE PERFORMING THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES IF THE OFFICIAL HAS A CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- **H.B. 109**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE A UNIFORM PRETRIAL RELEASE PROCEDURES STUDY COMMITTEE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA COURTS COMMISSION.
 - Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- **H.B. 120** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW GUILFORD COUNTY TO RESTRICT THE CHAPTER 105 ARTICLE 46 ONE-QUARTER CENT COUNTY SALES AND USE TAX TO NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY PURPOSES ONLY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 123 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A FIRST APPEARANCE BEFORE A DISTRICT COURT JUDGE FOR A DEFENDANT CHARGED WITH A MISDEMEANOR OFFENSE AND HELD IN CUSTODY AND TO REQUIRE THAT A FIRST APPEARANCE FOR ANY CRIMINAL CHARGE BE HELD WITHIN SEVENTY-TWO HOURS OF WHEN A DEFENDANT IS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

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H.B. 177, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 204 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE HERTFORD COUNTY DISTRICT H AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF AN OCCUPANCY TAX IN THE DISTRICT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 206 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 324 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS AND TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 392, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE PURCHASE OF CREDITABLE SERVICE IN THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM **AND** THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR SERVICE IN A PRIOR YEAR WHEN THAT SERVICE WAS ASSUMED TO BE PART-TIME BUT WAS ACTUALLY FULL-TIME SERVICE.

- H.B. 694 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THAT EMPLOYEES WHO MUST RESPOND FIRST TO EMERGENCIES MUST HAVE HEALTH CARE POWERS OF ATTORNEY. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- H.B. 703. A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE HEALTH COVERAGE PARITY FOR BREAST CANCER DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.
- H.B. 729 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CHARTER SCHOOLS. Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 746, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING POW/MIA FLAGS TO BE FLOWN AT STATE-OWNED BUILDINGS AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS IF THE FLAG CAN BE ATTACHED TO AN EXISTING FLAGPOLE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 756, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF STATE HUMAN RESOURCES, TO STUDY THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A PROGRAM TO ENCOURAGE THE EMPLOYMENT BY STATE AGENCIES OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, INCLUDING TARGETING EMPLOYMENT OF INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION **COMMITTEE** ON INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 842, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE LAW GOVERNING DEED RESTRICTIONS ON SOLAR COLLECTORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 851, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DANGEROUS DOG LAWS TO PERMIT A CASE-BY-CASE DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER A DOG TRAINED FOR DOG FIGHTING IS DANGEROUS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 885 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF DISCHARGES OF UNTREATED WASTEWATER FROM WASTEWATER COLLECTION OR TREATMENT WORKS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REMOVAL OF A BILL SPONSOR

Senator Mayfield requests to be removed as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 35 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A PERSON UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO MARRY.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 171, AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF BELVILLE AND WINGATE, REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SURF CITY, AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO. (Became law upon ratification, May 12, 2021 - S.L. 2021-21)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SIXTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, May 13, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:00 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 10:00 a.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"We have been focused on this day for many weeks. In one year, most of what we have done will be forgotten; and in a hundred years, if the world lasts, most of us will not be remembered. But there is one final crossover that will make an eternal difference. What will matter is what we do, Lord, with your Son, Jesus Christ, whether we accept him or reject him as our personal Savior. I pray that each of us make the right choice before the final crossover. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, May 12, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Johnson, Senator Lowe, and Senator Mohammed.

May 13, 2021

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the following bills are withdrawn from today's calendar and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**:

- **S.B. 374** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF BLUE LIGHTS ON FIRE APPARATUS.
- **S.B. 453** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT A SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR A CONSUMER TASTING IN AN ABC STORE SHALL BE ISSUED IN THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS LISTED ON THE APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT; TO ALLOW, SUBJECT TO THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE, ONLINE ORDERS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM ABC STORES; TO ALLOW THE PURCHASE OF SPIRITUOUS LIQUOR IN BOTTLES WITH PERSONALIZED LABELING; AND TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN EVENT CENTERS TO SEEK A MIXED BEVERAGE PERMIT.
- **S.B. 273** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE LAW ESTABLISHING THE CHARLOTTE FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 74, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TO INVEST EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS HELD IN TRUST IN ONE OR MORE OF THE TYPES OF SECURITIES OR OTHER INVESTMENTS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW FOR THE STATE TREASURER, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 314 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN

A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS, as amended, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 47, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---47.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 265 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE TRANSPARENCY OF BOND REFERENDA BY REQUIRING ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES BY UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND TO MAKE LOCAL FINANCE RELATED CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY THE STATE TREASURER, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 316 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FOR PLUMBING, HEATING, FIRE SPRINKLER, AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time.

Senator Jarvis offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (47-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its third reading (47-0) and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 425 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS AND TO CREATE AN ARTICLE GOVERNING VEHICLE VALUE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS, upon second reading.

Without objection, Senator Burgin is excused from voting on the bill due to the fact that the bill deals with auto dealers.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 488, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE USE OF DISCLAIMERS ON SIMULATED CHECKS OR INVOICES, upon second reading.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (47-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 554, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN NORTH CAROLINA BY ENCOURAGING THE CONVERSION OF SHIPPING CONTAINERS TO HOUSING UNITS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 580, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RECONCILE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF A CERTAIN RULE ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 650, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT THE MOTOR VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS LICENSING LAW GOVERNS RECREATIONAL VEHICLE DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Corbin, the Senate adjourns at 10:35 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, May 17, at 4:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 185, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO CERTAIN SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 226, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO THE CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG BOARD OF EDUCATION IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

H.B. 232, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE STATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 234 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DESTRUCTION OF SEIZED FIREARMS USED IN COMMITTING AN ASSAULT AGAINST A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR ANY OTHER OFFENSE THAT RESULTED IN SERIOUS BODILY INJURY OR DEATH TO THE VICTIM IF THE FIREARM BELONGS TO THE DEFENDANT OR CERTAIN OTHER PERSONS AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY REQUESTS DESTRUCTION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 336, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADOPT THE OSPREY AS THE OFFICIAL RAPTOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 378 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMITS TO TWENTY-FIVE MILES PER HOUR ON RESIDENTIAL STREETS IN DURHAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 581 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO DEVELOP A DESIGNATION FOR DRIVERS LICENSES THAT MAY BE GRANTED UPON REQUEST TO A PERSON WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 600, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE STATE RECOGNITION OF THE OCCANEECHI BAND OF THE SAPONI NATION OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 626 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE LAW GOVERNING THE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR VICTIMS OF RAPE AND SEX OFFENSES TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM "FORENSIC MEDICAL EXAMINATION" AND REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO ASSESS A CIVIL PENALTY ON A MEDICAL FACILITY OR MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL WHO BILLS A VICTIM, THE VICTIM'S PERSONAL INSURANCE, MEDICAID, MEDICARE, OR ANY OTHER COLLATERAL SOURCE FOR THE COST OF A FORENSIC MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOCENCE INQUIRY COMMISSION TO PAY OUTSIDE COUNSEL WITH EXISTING FUNDS.

H.B. 646 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN COVERAGE FOR MEDICALLY NECESSARY DENTAL PROCEDURES THAT ARE A RESULT OF CANCER TREATMENT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 672 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY THE PRESERVATION OF BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 673 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY TRAFFIC STOP DATA REPORTING

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 695, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE QUALIFYING INCOME THRESHOLD FOR EXEMPTION FROM CHARITABLE SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS, TO MODIFY THE DEADLINES FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS, AND TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE AND CERTAIN FINANCIAL REPORTS BE NOTARIZED.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 718, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR COSMETOLOGY, ESTHETICIAN, MANICURIST, AND NATURAL HAIR CARE TEACHERS LICENSED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF COSMETIC ART EXAMINERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 733 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RARE DISEASES AND TO ADD TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RARE DISEASES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 740 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE RULES OF THE ROAD WITH RESPECT TO MERGING AT DEFINED MERGING AREAS AND REQUIRING DRIVERS EDUCATION ON THE ZIPPER MERGE.

H.B. 801, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS TO CONDUCT A GAME NIGHT AT A LOCATION THAT IS NOT A QUALIFIED FACILITY.

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Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 813 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT ANY STATE AGENCY, UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, OR PUBLIC AUTHORITY FROM PAYING A RANSOM IN CONNECTION WITH A CYBERSECURITY INCIDENT AND TO CLARIFY THE REPORTING OF CYBERSECURITY INCIDENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 869, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY REVISING THE LAWS IN CHAPTER 14 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES RELATING TO THE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY OF ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 334 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 26.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 69 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 10.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, May 17, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

May 13, 2021

SIXTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, May 17, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:00 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

RECESS

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 244 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, referred to the Redistricting and Elections Committee on April 26, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

A sequential referral to the **State and Local Government Committee** is added between the existing referrals.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 282 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT AIRY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 26.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 395 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT EXEMPTING AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT DEMOGRAPHIC AND CLINICAL DATA, EXTENDING FOR CERTAIN PROVIDERS AND ENTITIES THE DEADLINES FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORK KNOWN AS NC HEALTHCONNEX, AND INSTITUTING REFORMS TO PROTECT PATIENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day you've given us and another week. We pray that you'll guide and direct us here tonight and all week long. Father, there are many in here that we sit beside of or are in this same room that are hurting every day, and we don't know, but you know. We pray that you will comfort them and help them, whatever they are going through. Be with our friends in Israel, protect them. We thank you for everything, in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, May 13, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Alexander, Senator Bazemore, Senator Britt, Senator Davis, Senator Fitch, Senator Foushee, Senator Lee, Senator Lowe, Senator Marcus, Senator Mayfield, Senator Nickel, Senator Robinson, Senator Salvador, and Senator Steinburg.

CALENDAR

A bill on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 69 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Sawyer, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (36-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Craven, the Senate adjourns at 7:14 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, May 18, at 9:30 a.m.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 103, AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, May 17, 2021 - S.L. 2021-22)

H.B. 217, AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND TO INCREASE THE NONUTILITY FILING FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, May 17, 2021 - S.L. 2021-23)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SIXTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, May 18, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. Thank you for the rain you sent our way. We pray that you'll continue to bless our allies in Israel and help them as they go through these troubled times. Help us in this state to do what we should do for you, Father. Thank you for all you do and your grace and love. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, May 17, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 9:35 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, May 19, at 9:30 a.m.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 69, AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Krawiec for the Health Care Committee:

H.B. 395 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT EXEMPTING AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT DEMOGRAPHIC AND CLINICAL DATA, EXTENDING FOR CERTAIN PROVIDERS AND ENTITIES THE DEADLINES FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORK KNOWN AS NC HEALTHCONNEX, AND INSTITUTING REFORMS TO PROTECT PATIENTS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30430, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SIXTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, May 19, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day that you've given us. Thank you for your grace and love. We pray that you will protect our troops that are protecting us around this world. We pray that you'll be with our Sergeant-at-Arms here and the General Assembly police, the ladies from the Clerk's office, and everyone in this building. We pray that you will be with us today. Guide and direct us. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, May 18, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, May 20, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

A bill filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Daniel, Newton, and Hise (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 722, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CITY COUNCILS SHALL EVALUATE EXISTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN THE YEAR OF THE RELEASE OF FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS INFORMATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 722, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CITY COUNCILS SHALL EVALUATE EXISTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN THE YEAR OF THE RELEASE OF FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS INFORMATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 19.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Redistricting and Elections Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A select committee report and standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the **Select Committee on Nominations**:

H.J.R. 469, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF WANDA TAYLOR TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

S.J.R. 718, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ADRIAN A. PHILLIPS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 395 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT EXEMPTING AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT DEMOGRAPHIC AND CLINICAL DATA, EXTENDING FOR CERTAIN PROVIDERS AND ENTITIES THE DEADLINES FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORK KNOWN AS NC HEALTHCONNEX, AND INSTITUTING REFORMS TO PROTECT PATIENTS, with a favorable report.

By Senator Hise for the **Redistricting and Elections Committee**:

H.B. 244 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee.

H.B. 282 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT AIRY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 722, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CITY COUNCILS SHALL EVALUATE EXISTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN THE YEAR OF THE RELEASE OF FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS INFORMATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 461, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFYING AND TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE STATE AUDITOR STATUTES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SIXTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, May 20, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

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RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 128 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO CERTAIN INDOOR AND OUTDOOR FACILITIES FOR SPORTING EVENTS, GRADUATION AND COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES, AND OTHER OUTDOOR EVENTS IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 3.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 172 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE AND FUND, AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND TO MAINTAIN FUNDS PAID TO THE STATE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND; TO APPROPRIATE THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR FUNDS FROM DISTRIBUTION TO NONENTITLEMENT **UNITS** OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT; TO APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE STATE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND OTHER CHANGES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Lisa S. Barnes, Senator from Nash County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we just come before you and just thank you for another beautiful day that you've given us. Lord, this is the day that you have made, and we will rejoice and be glad in it. Thank you again for your protection and provision over us every day, Lord. We just lift up again our military to you, our public safety officers, God, that you would protect them as they put themselves in harm's way for us. God, we just lift up this day to you that you would be honored and glorified by everything that we say and do. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, May 19, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Britt, Senator Craven, Senator Davis, Senator Foushee, Senator Jarvis, Senator Krawiec, Senator Marcus, Senator Murdock, Senator Newton, and Senator Nickel.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 172 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE AND FUND, AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND TO MAINTAIN FUNDS PAID TO THE STATE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND; TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR DISTRIBUTION TO

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NONENTITLEMENT UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT; TO APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE STATE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND OTHER CHANGES, received from the House of Representatives today, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the House Committee Substitute bill is placed on today's calendar.

CALENDAR

Bills and resolutions on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.J.R. 718, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ADRIAN A. PHILLIPS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The Joint Resolution passes its second reading (39-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 395 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT EXEMPTING AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT DEMOGRAPHIC AND CLINICAL DATA, EXTENDING FOR CERTAIN PROVIDERS AND ENTITIES THE DEADLINES FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORK KNOWN AS NC HEALTHCONNEX, AND INSTITUTING REFORMS TO PROTECT PATIENTS, upon second reading.

Senator Burgin offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (39-0).

Senator Woodard offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (39-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (39-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.J.R. 469, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF WANDA TAYLOR TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The Joint Resolution passes its second reading (39-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 172 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE AND FUND, AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND TO MAINTAIN FUNDS PAID TO THE STATE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND; TO APPROPRIATE

FUNDS FROM THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR DISTRIBUTION TO NONENTITLEMENT UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT; TO APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE STATE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND OTHER CHANGES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (39-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the House Committee Substitute bill will be sent to the Governor by special message.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that would ordinarily appear on the calendar of Monday, May 24, will be placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 25.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Corbin, the Senate adjourns at 12:29 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, May 24, at 4:00 p.m.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 172, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE AND FUND, AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND TO MAINTAIN FUNDS PAID TO THE STATE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND; TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR DISTRIBUTION TO NONENTITLEMENT UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT; TO APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE STATE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND OTHER CHANGES.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 282 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT AIRY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 25.

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S.B. 722, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CITY COUNCILS SHALL EVALUATE EXISTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN THE YEAR OF THE RELEASE OF FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS INFORMATION, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 25.

By Senator Johnson for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.B. 257, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15298, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 3 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PARTISAN ELECTORAL DISTRICTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 19, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF NORWOOD, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 10.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 50, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CALYPSO, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 130, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ADDITION OF THE EAST COAST GREENWAY IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA TO THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 143, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF SWAIN COUNTY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 159 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO EDUCATION LAWS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 5.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 160 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 224, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 236, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 28.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 253 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF BURGAW AND TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SURF CITY TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ONSTREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 335 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO A CHARTER SCHOOL TO INCENTIVIZE THE TIMELY TRANSFER OF FUNDS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 341 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING IMPERSONATION OF AN ACTUAL PERSON OVER THE INTERNET FOR CERTAIN UNLAWFUL PURPOSES A CLASS H FELONY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 15.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 360, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DAN RIVER STATE TRAIL, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 26.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 365 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES FOR AIRPORT FACILITIES AND PREMISES GOVERNED BY THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 383, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 545 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW TEACHERS TO RECEIVE CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS FOR COMPLETING MANDATORY TRAININGS AND TO MODIFY THE DIGITAL TEACHING AND LEARNING RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATORS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 26.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 602 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FINANCE, BUSINESS OFFICE, AND AUDITOR PROFESSIONALS FROM MOST PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN RESOURCES ACT, TO CONSOLIDATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN REPORTS, TO MAKE CHANGES FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR VETERANS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW, TO CODIFY CAPITAL PROJECT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE MORGANTON CAMPUS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 29.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 734, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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SIXTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, May 24, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day you've given us. Thank you for the shower of rain. Thank you for that blessing. We pray that you will guide and direct us today and this week and that we should bring honor and glory to you. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, May 20, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 4:02 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, May 25, at 10:00 a.m.

ENROLLED RESOLUTION

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.J.R. 469, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF WANDA TAYLOR TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION. (Res. 2021-5)

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of bills as follows:

H.B. 334 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW, referred to the Finance Committee on May 13, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

A sequential referral to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** is added between the existing referrals.

S.B. 257 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 20.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 722, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CITY COUNCILS SHALL EVALUATE EXISTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN THE YEAR OF THE RELEASE OF FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS INFORMATION, previously placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 25.

The bill is withdrawn from the calendar of Tuesday, May 25, and re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 282 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT AIRY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, previously placed on the calendar of Tuesday, May 25.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the calendar of Tuesday, May 25, and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 69,** AN ACT TO REVISE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES PERMIT AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, May 24, 2021 S.L. 2021-24)
- S.B. 172, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE STATE FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS RESERVE AND FUND, AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY RESERVE AND FUND TO MAINTAIN FUNDS PAID TO THE STATE FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND, CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, AND CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND; TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND FOR DISTRIBUTION TO NONENTITLEMENT UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT; TO APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED TO THE STATE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND OTHER CHANGES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, May 24, 2021 S.L. 2021-25)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SEVENTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, May 25, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. Thank you for the rain you've sent our way. Help others to get that badly needed rain across our state. We pray that you will be with our military personnel around the world. Protect them. Guide them. Be with our law enforcement. And guide and direct us today. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Alexander announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, May 24, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Alexander, the Senate adjourns at 10:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, May 26, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Finance Committee:

S.B. 257 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SEVENTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, May 26, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day that you've given us. We pray that you'll be with some of our members that have health problems and have people in their family that have health problems. We know you have the healing touch. We pray that you will take care of those things, if you will, Lord. We pray for your will. We pray that you'll guide and direct us today. Help us with everything that we do. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, May 25, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, May 27, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.R. 723, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF PAMELA B. CASHWELL AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a resolution as follows:

S.R. 723, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF PAMELA B. CASHWELL AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 26.

The resolution is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the State and Local Government Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Select Committee on Nominations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator McInnis for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 128 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO CERTAIN INDOOR AND OUTDOOR FACILITIES FOR SPORTING EVENTS, GRADUATION AND COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES, AND OTHER OUTDOOR EVENTS IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30431, which changes the title to read **H.B. 128** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REEMPLOY NORTH CAROLINA'S WORKFORCE BY PROVIDING BONUSES FOR ACCEPTING REEMPLOYMENT AND REQUIRING INDIVIDUALS TO RESPOND TO EMPLOYER REQUESTS AND TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Ford for the State and Local Government Committee:

S.R. 720, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF JAMES "JIM" WEAVER AS THE STATE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER AND SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

By Senator Rabon for the Finance Committee:

H.B. 334 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10498, which changes the title to read **H.B. 334** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES TO THE REVENUE LAWS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SEVENTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, May 27, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day you've given us. We pray that you'll be with some of our members that are traveling and some of those who have health issues. Touch their bodies. We pray that you'll help us here today. Thank you for everything that you do for us, giving us life and it more abundantly every day. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, May 26, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 395, AN ACT EXEMPTING AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT DEMOGRAPHIC AND CLINICAL DATA, EXTENDING FOR CERTAIN PROVIDERS AND ENTITIES THE DEADLINES FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORK KNOWN AS NC HEALTHCONNEX, AND INSTITUTING REFORMS TO PROTECT PATIENTS.

Upon motion of Senator Daniel, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 9:35 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Friday, May 28, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Hise for the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee:

H.B. 334 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES TO THE REVENUE LAWS, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 40630, which changes the title to read **H.B. 334** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Burgin for the **Health Care Committee**:

H.B. 224, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 383, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Finance Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 11 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE ALCOHOL IN MANUFACTURED FOOD PRODUCTS SUCH AS ICE CREAM, ICE POPS, GUM, AND GELATIN, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 20 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT CONNECTIONS TO WATER SUPPLY LINES FUNDED BY THE CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL GAS CRITICAL NEEDS BOND ACT OF 1998, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 15.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 23 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWNS OF BANNER ELK AND SPENCER TO REGULATE UTILITY VEHICLES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 18.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 84, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 18.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 85 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD BY APPOINTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE RELEVANT POLITICAL PARTY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 110 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION THRESHOLD FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES AND FARM BUILDINGS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 25.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 139 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD A LICENSED SOIL SCIENTIST TO THE ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 8.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, **and Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 203, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR CERTIFICATION OF POLICE TELECOMMUNICATORS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 31.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 11.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 238, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF CREDIT CARD SKIMMING DEVICES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 297 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO OFFER REMOTE CONVERSION OF FULL PROVISIONAL LICENSES TO PERSONS DEPLOYED OUT-OF-STATE AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL DEFENSE TO DRIVING WITH AN EXPIRED LICENSE, AND WAIVING THE LATE FEE FOR RENEWING AN EXPIRED REGISTRATION FOR PERSONS DEPLOYED AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 3 is re-referred to the **Transportation** Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary** Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and** Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 344 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 386 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO BAN THE DISCHARGE OR ATTEMPT TO DISCHARGE FIREARMS FROM, ON, ACROSS, OR OVER THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG THE RAILROAD SERVING THE MILITARY OCEAN TERMINAL AT SUNNY POINT IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 453 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT AGAINST DISCRIMINATION OF HUMAN LIFE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 642 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, DONOR MATCHING ENTITIES, AND HEALTH INSURERS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 699, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR THE ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF A DISABLED OR ELDER ADULT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 12.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 743 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ALTERING, DESTROYING, OR REMOVING PERMANENT PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION MARKS FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REMOVING, DEFACING, DESTROYING, ALTERING, OR COVERING OVER IDENTIFYING MARKS ON CERTAIN MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND APPARATUSES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 812, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF REMOTE MEETINGS DURING CERTAIN STATES OF EMERGENCY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Newton for the Redistricting and Elections Committee:

S.B. 722, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT CITY COUNCILS SHALL EVALUATE EXISTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN THE YEAR OF THE RELEASE OF FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS INFORMATION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 35288, which changes the title to read **S.B. 722** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ELECTIONS IN MUNICIPALITIES WITH ONE OR MORE OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN 2021 WHERE THE CANDIDATE FOR THAT OFFICE IS ELECTED BY DISTRICT SHALL BE DELAYED UNTIL 2022 AND TO REQUIRE MUNICIPALITIES WITH DELAYED 2021 ELECTIONS TO REVIEW AND REVISE THOSE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RELEASE OF THE 2020 U.S. CENSUS DATA, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 947 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE COMPLETING ACCESS TO BROADBAND PROGRAM, TO CREATE A PROCESS TO ADMINISTER A GROWING RURAL ECONOMIES WITH ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY (G.R.E.A.T.) PROGRAM UTILIZING FEDERAL AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE G.R.E.A.T. PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 241 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY VEHICLES, AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 282 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT AIRY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 24.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations** of the Senate Committee and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 1.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 395, AN ACT EXEMPTING AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT DEMOGRAPHIC AND CLINICAL DATA, EXTENDING FOR CERTAIN PROVIDERS AND ENTITIES THE DEADLINES FOR MANDATORY PARTICIPATION IN THE STATEWIDE HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORK KNOWN AS NC HEALTHCONNEX, AND INSTITUTING REFORMS TO PROTECT PATIENTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, May 27, 2021 - S.L. 2021-26)

Pursuant to Senator Daniel's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

May 27, 2021

SEVENTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Friday, May 28, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we love you and thank you for this day, and we thank you for the beauty of the weather you've sent our way. We thank you for all that you do for us. Give us safe traveling mercies home today, and as those that go on vacation, protect them. Help them to relax and have a great time. We thank you for all that you do. We praise you in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, May 27, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, June 1, at 11:00 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A standing committee report and a select committee report are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 257** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 128 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REEMPLOY NORTH CAROLINA'S WORKFORCE BY PROVIDING BONUSES FOR ACCEPTING REEMPLOYMENT AND REQUIRING INDIVIDUALS TO RESPOND TO EMPLOYER REQUESTS AND TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS, with a favorable report.

By Senator Rabon for the **Select Committee on Nominations**:

S.R. 720, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF JAMES "JIM" WEAVER AS THE STATE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER AND SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SEVENTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, June 1, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 11:00 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of bills as follows:

H.B. 642 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, DONOR MATCHING ENTITIES, AND HEALTH INSURERS, referred to the Health Care Committee on May 27, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

A sequential referral to the Judiciary Committee is added between the existing referrals.

S.B. 544, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR EXPERTISE AND TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE IN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION LOCATED WITHIN THE STATE TO ADDRESS PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES, INCLUDING GENX, referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee on April 7, with a sequential referral to the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee.**

The bill is withdrawn from the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and **Operations of the Senate Committee.**

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 96 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER INJECTABLE DRUGS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 163 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 15.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 272 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION LAW TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG CHILDREN ARE NOT EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS LEAD IN DRINKING WATER, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 278, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT SUNSETTING ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BY BOARDS OF ALCOHOLIC CONTROL, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 629, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER MUST CONSULT WITH A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING A TARGETED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.R. 719, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF DIONNE DELLI-GATTI AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 26.

The resolution is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Paul Newton, Senator from Cabarrus County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we just thank you that forgiveness is the central message that you offer this world. It's a message of hope, it's a message of deliverance from those things that burden us. It's so different from what the world says to do when you're wrong. We just pray today that your word would become real to us and we would understand in the depths of our being how to walk out the forgiveness that you've given us and that you expect of us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Friday, May 28, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Blue, Senator Garrett, Senator Harrington, and Senator Lowe.

CALENDAR

Bills and a resolution on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 282 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT AIRY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 241 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY VEHICLES, AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 27.

Pursuant to Rule 47(a), Senator Rabon offers a motion that the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 be placed on today's calendar, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2, which motion prevails without objection, and the Chair so orders.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 257 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, upon second reading.

Senator Britt offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (45-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (45-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 128 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REEMPLOY NORTH CAROLINA'S WORKFORCE BY PROVIDING BONUSES FOR ACCEPTING REEMPLOYMENT AND REQUIRING INDIVIDUALS TO RESPOND TO EMPLOYER REQUESTS AND TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS, upon second reading.

Senator Nickel offers Amendment No. 1.

Senator Edwards moves that Amendment No. 1 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Hise, which motion prevails (27-18).

Senator Murdock offers Amendment No. 2.

Senator Edwards moves that Amendment No. 2 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Hise, which motion prevails (27-18).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (35-10) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.R. 720, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF JAMES "JIM" WEAVER AS THE STATE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER AND SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, for adoption.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (45-0), and changes the title to read, **S.R. 720**, A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING JAMES "JIM" WEAVER AS THE STATE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER AND SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the resolution, as amended, is adopted (43-1), and the amendment is ordered engrossed.

S.B. 241 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY VEHICLES, AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (0-45) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that would ordinarily appear on the calendar of Wednesday, June 2, will be placed on the calendar of Thursday, June 3.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 5:04 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, June 2, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 224, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on the calendar of Thursday, June 3.

S.B. 722 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ELECTIONS IN MUNICIPALITIES WITH ONE OR MORE OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN 2021 WHERE THE CANDIDATE FOR THAT OFFICE IS ELECTED BY DISTRICT SHALL BE DELAYED UNTIL 2022 AND TO REQUIRE MUNICIPALITIES WITH DELAYED 2021 ELECTIONS TO REVIEW AND REVISE THOSE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RELEASE OF THE 2020 U.S. CENSUS DATA, with a favorable report.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Thursday, June 3.

By Senator Alexander for the State and Local Government Committee:

S.R. 723, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF PAMELA B. CASHWELL AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

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APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

S.B. 241 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY VEHICLES, AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for S.B. 241 on June 1, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Sawyer, Chair; Senator McInnis, Senator Rabon, Senator Steinburg, Senator Woodard and Senator Jarvis as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SEVENTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, June 2, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Mike Woodard, Senator from Durham County, as follows:

"Almighty God, our ultimate governor, send down upon those who hold office in this state the spirit of wisdom, charity, and justice; that with steadfast purpose we may faithfully serve in our offices to promote the well-being of all people.' These things we ask in your name. Amen."

For Local Government
The Episcopal Book of Common Prayer

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, June 1, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

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ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 282, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT AIRY SHALL BE HELD IN EVENNUMBERED YEARS.

Upon motion of Senator Woodard, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 9:33 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, June 3, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A select committee report and a standing committee report are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the **Select Committee on Nominations**:

S.R. 723, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF PAMELA B. CASHWELL AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, with a favorable report.

By Senator Perry for the **Health Care Committee**:

H.B. 642 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, DONOR MATCHING ENTITIES, AND HEALTH INSURERS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

H.B. 453 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT AGAINST DISCRIMINATION OF HUMAN LIFE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a resolution as follows:

S.R. 719, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF DIONNE DELLI-GATTI AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, referred to the **Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee** on June 1, with a sequential referral to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

The sequential referral to the **Select Committee on Nominations** is stricken.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Edwards for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:

S.R. 719, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF DIONNE DELLI-GATTI AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, with a favorable report.

Committee Clerk Comments: The Committee voted favorable to the motion to advance Senate Resolution 719 out of committee for further consideration by the full Senate, with the Committee's recommendation that the Senate not confirm Ms. Delli-Gatti as Secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

By Senator Steinburg for the State and Local Government Committee:

H.B. 23 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWNS OF BANNER ELK AND SPENCER TO REGULATE UTILITY VEHICLES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

H.B. 50, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CALYPSO, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

H.B. 236, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

H.B. 386 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO BAN THE DISCHARGE OR ATTEMPT TO DISCHARGE FIREARMS FROM, ON, ACROSS, OR OVER THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG THE RAILROAD SERVING THE MILITARY OCEAN TERMINAL AT SUNNY POINT IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

H.B. 19, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWN OF NORWOOD, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30433, which changes the title to read **H.B. 19** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

H.B. 203, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR CERTIFICATION OF POLICE TELECOMMUNICATORS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 453 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT AGAINST DISCRIMINATION OF HUMAN LIFE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 812, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF REMOTE MEETINGS DURING CERTAIN STATES OF EMERGENCY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 84, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10501, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 743 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ALTERING, DESTROYING, OR REMOVING PERMANENT PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION MARKS FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REMOVING, DEFACING, DESTROYING, ALTERING, OR COVERING OVER IDENTIFYING MARKS ON CERTAIN MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND APPARATUSES, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30434, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 282, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT AIRY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS. (Became law upon ratification, June 2, 2021 - S.L. 2021-27)

Pursuant to Senator Woodard's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SEVENTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, June 3, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 2, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 241 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY VEHICLES, AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative B. Jones, Chair Representative Iler Representative Shepard Representative Hanig Representative Goodwin and Representative D. Hall

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 64, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD MEMBERS TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NCWORKS COMMISSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 15.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Judiciary Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 84** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 203**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR CERTIFICATION OF POLICE TELECOMMUNICATORS, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 743 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ALTERING, DESTROYING, OR REMOVING PERMANENT PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION MARKS FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REMOVING, DEFACING, DESTROYING, ALTERING, OR COVERING OVER IDENTIFYING MARKS ON CERTAIN MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND APPARATUSES, with a favorable report.

H.B. 812, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF REMOTE MEETINGS DURING CERTAIN STATES OF EMERGENCY, with a favorable report.

By Senator Newton for the **Redistricting and Elections Committee**:

H.B. 85 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD BY APPOINTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE RELEVANT POLITICAL PARTY, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40632, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Sarah Crawford, Senator from Wake County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we thank you for all you have given to us and for helping us know the truth in you. We thank you for the opportunity to serve, to come together, and we ask for your guiding hand to be upon us in all that we do. Thank you for sending your Holy Spirit to live in us and for your unending grace and mercy. In this world, let us never forget that though the wrong often seems so strong, we know you are in charge, God. And we pray in your name, 'Lord, here am I, send me.' Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, June 2, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Harrington, Senator Rabon, and Senator Robinson.

ENROLLED BILLS AND RESOLUTION

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 135, AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S

NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED.

- **S.B. 248,** AN ACT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IDENTIFICATION CARDS.
- **S.B. 586,** AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY LIPEDEMA.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.J.R. 718, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ADRIAN A. PHILLIPS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION. (Res. 2021-6)

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Hise, **S.R. 723** is withdrawn from the regular order of business and placed at the beginning of today's calendar.

CALENDAR

Bills and resolutions on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.R. 723, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF PAMELA B. CASHWELL AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, for adoption.

Senator Ford offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (45-0), and changes the title to read, **S.R. 723**, A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING PAMELA B. CASHWELL AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, the resolution, as amended, is adopted (46-0), and the amendment is ordered engrossed.

S.B. 722 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ELECTIONS IN MUNICIPALITIES WITH ONE OR MORE OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN 2021 WHERE THE CANDIDATE FOR THAT OFFICE IS ELECTED BY DISTRICT SHALL BE DELAYED UNTIL 2022 AND TO REQUIRE MUNICIPALITIES WITH DELAYED 2021 ELECTIONS TO REVIEW AND REVISE THOSE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RELEASE OF THE 2020 U.S. CENSUS DATA, upon second reading.

Senator Daniel offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (46-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 224, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.R. 719, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF DIONNE DELLI-GATTI AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, for adoption.

Senator Edwards offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (26-20) and changes the title to read, **S.R. 719**, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO NOT CONFIRM DIONNE DELLI-GATTI AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.

Upon motion of Senator Edwards, the resolution, as amended, is adopted (26-20), and the amendment is ordered engrossed.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Steinburg submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "CONGRATULATE CAMDEN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL ON WINNING THE 1A STATE SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP."

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Steinburg, the Senate adjourns at 1:35 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, June 7, at 4:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 116 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT WITHDRAW FROM THE **FEDERAL** TO PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (FPUC) AGREEMENT: ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS; TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 255 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 43 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY SECURITY AND PROTECTION ACT OF 2021 AND TO AUTHORIZE CONCEALED CARRY FOR CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT FACILITY EMPLOYEES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, June 7, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:00 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

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MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 654 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND AGENCIES SHALL PURCHASE GOODS AND SERVICES FROM NONPROFIT WORK CENTERS FOR THE BLIND AND SEVERELY DISABLED WHERE SOURCES OF SUPPLY HAVE BEEN APPROVED, ESTABLISHED BY CONTRACT, AND CERTIFIED BY THE SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

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H.B. 365 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES FOR AIRPORT FACILITIES AND PREMISES GOVERNED BY THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** on May 20, with a sequential referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the **State and Local Government Committee** and re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 403 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 38, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 17.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 229, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 1.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 287, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF RANDLEMAN, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 1.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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H.B. 375 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 206 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 769 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A BILL OF RIGHTS RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS OF FOSTER PARENTS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 177, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 12.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 168 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES RELATED TO CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LGERS) AND THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TSERS); CLARIFYING WITHDRAWAL LIABILITIES UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; CLARIFYING AND STANDARDIZING THE DEFINITION OF "ACTUARIAL EQUIVALENT"

UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; REQUIRING EMPLOYING UNITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES FOR SPECIAL SEPARATION BUYOUTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; GIVING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES UNDER CERTAIN PLANS; CLAWING BACK DISABILITY INCOME PLAN OVERPAYMENTS UNDER THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM; AND ADDRESSING SPECIAL RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS UPON THE DEATH OF THE DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 15.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 103 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 29.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Judiciary Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Lisa S. Barnes, Senator from Nash County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we come before you tonight, and I worship you as the great 'I am.' Lord, you are the Alpha and you are the Omega. You are the beginning and the end. You are in control of all time, and you have everything in your plans. I thank you, God, that your word promises us that you have a future and a hope for us, that you have plans to prosper us and not to harm us. Lord, I pray for those that are searching, Lord, in the world for the earthly things to satisfy them. I pray that they would find you as their source of hope and satisfaction. I lift up this legislative week that is ahead of us, God, and I pray that we would accomplish much for the people of North Carolina and that we would accomplish much for your kingdom. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, June 3, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore and Senator Robinson.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 224, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 84 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 203, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR CERTIFICATION OF POLICE TELECOMMUNICATORS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 743 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ALTERING, DESTROYING, OR REMOVING PERMANENT PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION MARKS FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REMOVING, DEFACING, DESTROYING, ALTERING, OR COVERING OVER IDENTIFYING MARKS ON CERTAIN MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND APPARATUSES, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 812, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF REMOTE MEETINGS DURING CERTAIN STATES OF EMERGENCY, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

WITHDRAWALS FROM COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Rule 47(a), Senator Rabon offers a motion that the following bills be withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 8, for concurrence, which motion prevails without objection, and the Chair so orders:

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- **S.B. 43** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY SECURITY AND PROTECTION ACT OF 2021 AND TO AUTHORIZE CONCEALED CARRY FOR CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT FACILITY EMPLOYEES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on June 3.
- **S.B. 255** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on June 3.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Johnson, the Senate adjourns at 7:19 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, June 8, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 85 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD BY APPOINTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE RELEVANT POLITICAL PARTY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, June 8, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Newton, Daniel, Hise (Primary Sponsors) and Ford:

S.B. 724, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND VOTER ACCESS BY ESTABLISHING A VOTING PORTAL FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED VOTERS TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT ONLINE, ALLOWING FOR THE ONLINE SUBMISSION OF VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORMS, AND STATING THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FUND A PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST VOTERS NEEDING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senators Hise, Daniel, Newton (Primary Sponsors) and Ford:

S.B. 725, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 724, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND VOTER ACCESS BY ESTABLISHING A VOTING PORTAL FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED VOTERS TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT ONLINE, ALLOWING FOR THE ONLINE SUBMISSION OF VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORMS, AND STATING THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FUND A PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST VOTERS NEEDING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on June 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 725, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on June 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **H.B. 203,** AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR CERTIFICATION OF POLICE TELECOMMUNICATORS.
- **H.B. 812,** AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF REMOTE MEETINGS DURING CERTAIN STATES OF EMERGENCY.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 334 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES, with a favorable report.

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

H.B. 341 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING IMPERSONATION OF AN ACTUAL PERSON OVER THE INTERNET FOR CERTAIN UNLAWFUL PURPOSES A CLASS H FELONY, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30437, which changes the title to read **H.B. 341** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING IMPERSONATION OF AN ACTUAL PERSON OVER THE INTERNET FOR CERTAIN UNLAWFUL PURPOSES A CLASS H FELONY AND PROTECTING CONSUMERS FROM MISLEADING OR FICTITIOUS COMMUNICATIONS DESIGNED TO ELICIT A RESPONSE OR FOR A STUDY, SURVEY, MARKETING, OR OTHER PURPOSE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

- By Senator Sanderson for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:
- **H.B. 20** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT CONNECTIONS TO WATER SUPPLY LINES FUNDED BY THE CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL GAS CRITICAL NEEDS BOND ACT OF 1998, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 130, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ADDITION OF THE EAST COAST GREENWAY IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA TO THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 139 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD A LICENSED SOIL SCIENTIST TO THE ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee.

H.B. 344 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance** Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County, as follows:

"Lord, you're invited today to attend to this body and its deliberations. My prayer is that of St. Paul in Philippians 1:9-11, that is, that our love may abound more and more in knowledge, depth of insight, so that we may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. I also pray, Lord, for those amongst us who are facing sicknesses, difficulties and trials in their own lives and the lives of those they love and care for. And as Paul also continued in Philippians 4:4-7, 'Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again, rejoice. Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God, and the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. The God of peace will be with you.' In the name of Christ I pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, June 7, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator McInnis.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 85 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD BY APPOINTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE RELEVANT POLITICAL PARTY, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Senate Committee Substitute bill will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 43 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY SECURITY AND PROTECTION ACT OF 2021 AND TO AUTHORIZE CONCEALED CARRY FOR CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT FACILITY EMPLOYEES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (30-19) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 255 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (49-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Johnson, the Senate adjourns at 4:21 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, June 9, at 9:30 a.m.

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SEVENTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, June 9, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 453 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT AGAINST DISCRIMINATION OF HUMAN LIFE, with a favorable report.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 43,** AN ACT TO ENACT THE RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY SECURITY AND PROTECTION ACT OF 2021 AND TO AUTHORIZE CONCEALED CARRY FOR CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT FACILITY EMPLOYEES.
- **S.B. 255**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 85, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD BY APPOINTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE RELEVANT POLITICAL PARTY.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Krawiec for the Health Care Committee:

H.B. 272 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION LAW TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG CHILDREN ARE NOT EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS LEAD IN DRINKING WATER, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 629, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER MUST CONSULT WITH A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING A TARGETED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 734, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30438, which changes the title to read **H.B. 734** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND PROTECTING NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM THE UNLICENSED OPERATION OF MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES OR PROGRAMS PROVIDING SERVICES REQUIRING A LICENSE UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Hise for the **Redistricting and Elections Committee**:

S.B. 725, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 724, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND VOTER ACCESS BY ESTABLISHING A VOTING PORTAL FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED VOTERS TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT ONLINE, ALLOWING FOR THE ONLINE SUBMISSION OF VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORMS, AND STATING THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FUND A PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST VOTERS NEEDING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15306, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 326, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS FROM ACCEPTING PRIVATE MONETARY DONATIONS FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES, TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH A VOTER MUST REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AND DATE BY WHICH A MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST VOTERS NEEDING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45434, which changes the title to read S.B. 326 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED, TO REQUIRE PUBLISHING OF THE DATE ABSENTEE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE AND THE DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPORTING OF BALLOTS BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator McInnis for the **Transportation Committee**:

H.B. 297 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO OFFER REMOTE CONVERSION OF FULL PROVISIONAL LICENSES TO PERSONS DEPLOYED OUT-OF-STATE AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL DEFENSE TO DRIVING WITH AN EXPIRED LICENSE, AND WAIVING THE LATE FEE FOR RENEWING AN EXPIRED REGISTRATION FOR PERSONS DEPLOYED AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 3 is re-referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Senator Ford for the State and Local Government Committee:

H.B. 253 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF BURGAW AND TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SURF CITY TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ONSTREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 287, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF RANDLEMAN, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 375 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10504, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Finance Committee:

H.B. 383, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10503, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 470 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 35294, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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H.B. 344 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40633, which changes the title to read **H.B. 344** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES AND TO PROVIDE THAT A WATER OR WASTEWATER PUBLIC UTILITY IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR INCOME TAXES DUE ON TAXABLE CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the **Judiciary Committee**:

H.B. 238, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF CREDIT CARD SKIMMING DEVICES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 386 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO BAN THE DISCHARGE OR ATTEMPT TO DISCHARGE FIREARMS FROM, ON, ACROSS, OR OVER THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG THE RAILROAD SERVING THE MILITARY OCEAN TERMINAL AT SUNNY POINT IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 642 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, DONOR MATCHING ENTITIES, AND HEALTH INSURERS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40634, which changes the title to read **H.B. 642** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND HEALTH INSURERS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Lord, you do give us hope, and you know our future. So, Lord, I ask you to be with us. Lord, give us your divine knowledge, inspiration, and wisdom as we debate, discuss, and pass legislation. I pray for each member of this body and all of their families. Lord, protect them, be with them, be with them when they go home later this week, and, Lord, I just ask you bring us all back safely next week. Be with all the legislation we are working on, and let us do no harm. We ask this in your Son, Jesus', name. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, June 8, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 334 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES, upon second reading.

Senator deViere offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (50-0).

Senator Nickel offers Amendment No. 2.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 2 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Rabon, which motion prevails (28-22).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 36, noes 14, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg and Waddell---36.

Voting in the negative: Senators Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Fitch, Foushee, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador and Woodard---14.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, remains on the calendar for Thursday, June 10, upon third reading.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Sawyer, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 241** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES, AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND UTILITY VEHICLES, AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S241-PCCS35293-SU-1.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, **S.B. 241** (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

The Conference Report is placed on the calendar of Thursday, June 10, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Woodard, the Senate adjourns at 4:43 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, June 10, at 10:00 a.m.

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

H.B. 73 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELAY THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO EXTEND THE DEFERRAL FOR CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on April 19 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill for H.B. 73 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Edwards, Chair; Senator Harrington, Senator Hise, Senator B. Jackson, and Senator Lowe as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

H.B. 64, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD MEMBERS TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NCWORKS COMMISSION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

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Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40635, which changes the title to read **H.B. 64** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO CERTAIN PUBLIC PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE AND DISMISSAL RECORDS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 85, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD BY APPOINTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE RELEVANT POLITICAL PARTY. (Became law upon ratification, June 9, 2021 - S.L. 2021-28)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

EIGHTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, June 10, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Norman W. Sanderson, Senator from Pamlico County, as follows:

"Father, give us the courage that in the end we turn to the wisdom from above that is all of those things that we just read because that is what is going to last in eternity. We give you thanks in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, June 9, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Craven, and Senator Davis.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 582,** AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO BE ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE COURSES.
- H.B. 743, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ALTERING, DESTROYING, OR REMOVING PERMANENT PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION MARKS FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REMOVING, DEFACING, DESTROYING, ALTERING, OR COVERING OVER IDENTIFYING MARKS ON CERTAIN MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND APPARATUSES.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 334 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES, as amended, upon third reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 34, noes 13, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin, Crawford, Daniel, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg and Waddell---34.

Voting in the negative: Senators Blue, Chaudhuri, Fitch, Foushee, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador and Woodard---13.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

H.B. 453 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT AGAINST DISCRIMINATION OF HUMAN LIFE, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (27-20) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 241 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Sawyer, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (47-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

CONVEYANCE OF A BILL

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, **S.B. 241** will be sent to the Governor by special message upon the adoption of the Conference Report by the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 10:46 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, June 14, at 4:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 9, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **S.B. 241 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to the Senate having adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 241 on Thursday, June 10, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor by special message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 9, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 84 Senate Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Warren, Chair Representative C. Smith and Representative McNeill

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 9, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 128 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REEMPLOY NORTH CAROLINA'S WORKFORCE BY PROVIDING BONUSES FOR ACCEPTING REEMPLOYMENT AND REQUIRING INDIVIDUALS TO RESPOND TO EMPLOYER REQUESTS AND TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 241, AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 20** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT CONNECTIONS TO WATER SUPPLY LINES FUNDED BY THE CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL GAS CRITICAL NEEDS BOND ACT OF 1998, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 64** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO CERTAIN PUBLIC PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE AND DISMISSAL RECORDS, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 130**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ADDITION OF THE EAST COAST GREENWAY IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA TO THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 139** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD A LICENSED SOIL SCIENTIST TO THE ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 383** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 470** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL, with a favorable report.

By Senator Harrington for the Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee:

H.B. 168 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES RELATED TO CONTRIBUTION-BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES **UNDER** GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LGERS) AND THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TSERS); CLARIFYING WITHDRAWAL LIABILITIES UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; CLARIFYING AND STANDARDIZING THE DEFINITION OF "ACTUARIAL EQUIVALENT" UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; REQUIRING EMPLOYING UNITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES FOR SPECIAL SEPARATION BUYOUTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS: GIVING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES UNDER CERTAIN PLANS; CLAWING BACK DISABILITY INCOME PLAN OVERPAYMENTS UNDER THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM; AND ADDRESSING SPECIAL RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS UPON THE DEATH OF THE DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10505, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 160 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 163 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 278, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT SUNSETTING ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BY BOARDS OF ALCOHOLIC CONTROL, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 965 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AND ENHANCE THE ONE NORTH CAROLINA SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

- **S.B. 654** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.
- S.B. 722 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ELECTIONS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH ONE OR MORE OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN 2021 WHERE THE CANDIDATE FOR THAT OFFICE IS ELECTED BY DISTRICT SHALL BE DELAYED UNTIL 2022; TO REQUIRE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH DELAYED 2021 ELECTIONS TO REVIEW AND REVISE THOSE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RELEASE OF THE 2020 U.S. CENSUS DATA; TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF RALEIGH SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; AND TO ALLOW RESOLUTIONS REDISTRICTING COUNTY ELECTORAL DISTRICTS TO BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON ADOPTION FOR THE 2022 ELECTIONS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 145 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PROPERTY RIGHTS OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER BY ALLOWING THEM TO STORE THEIR FIREARMS WITH OR SELL THEIR FIREARMS THROUGH A QUALIFIED LICENSED FIREARMS DEALER, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 22.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 315 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN ARSON OFFENSES; TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF ARSON OR OTHER UNLAWFUL BURNINGS THAT RESULT IN INJURY TO A FIREFIGHTER, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, FIRE INVESTIGATOR, OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN; TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL TO INVESTIGATE FIRES; TO REQUIRE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS OF APPLICANTS TO FIRE DEPARTMENTS; TO REQUIRE APPLICANTS TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN CRIMINAL CHARGES; AND TO PROHIBIT APPLICANTS CONVICTED OF CERTAIN CRIMES FROM SERVING AS VOLUNTEER OR PAID MEMBERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 26.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 351 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH VISITATION PROTOCOLS FOR NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, HOSPICE CARE FACILITIES, AND ADULT CARE HOMES, INCLUDING FAMILY CARE HOMES, DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND REQUIRING THESE FACILITIES TO ADHERE TO THE ESTABLISHED VISITATION PROTOCOLS DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES WHEN NORMAL VISITATION POLICIES ARE SUSPENDED OR CURTAILED, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 404 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 481 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW EACH DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, INSTITUTION, COMMISSION, AND BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, OR LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF NORTH CAROLINA AND CAMPUS POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SELL, TRADE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OR ALL SURPLUS WEAPONS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO ANY FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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H.B. 654 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS, INSTITUTIONS, AND AGENCIES SHALL PURCHASE GOODS AND SERVICES FROM NONPROFIT WORK CENTERS FOR THE BLIND AND SEVERELY DISABLED WHERE SOURCES OF SUPPLY HAVE BEEN APPROVED, ESTABLISHED BY CONTRACT, AND CERTIFIED BY THE SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on June 7.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 692, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO PASSENGER VEHICLES OPERATING ON HIGHWAYS OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 10.

The bill is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

EIGHTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, June 14, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:00 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 642 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND HEALTH INSURERS, with a favorable report.

- **S.B. 326** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED, TO REQUIRE PUBLISHING OF THE DATE ABSENTEE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE AND THE DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPORTING OF BALLOTS BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 724** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND VOTER ACCESS BY ESTABLISHING A VOTING PORTAL FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED VOTERS TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT ONLINE, ALLOWING FOR THE ONLINE SUBMISSION OF VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORMS, AND STATING THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FUND A PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST VOTERS NEEDING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 725**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS, with a favorable report.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

- **S.B. 50** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES REGARDING ESTATES AND TRUSTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.
- S.B. 51 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF HAVELOCK, TOWNS OF BRIDGETON, COVE CITY, DOVER, RIVER BEND, AND TRENT WOODS, AND THE FIRST CRAVEN SANITARY DISTRICT, SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.
- **S.B. 125** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 91 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 18.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 132 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE REVISIONS TO THE JUVENILE CODE PURSUANT TO RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 29.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 366 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 22.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 522, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PROVISIONS REGULATING THE SERVICE AND RELEASE OF ALTERNATE JURORS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 12.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 735, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A MINIMUM OF THREE COMPETITIVE BIDS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR CONTRACTS FOR DREDGING SERVICES IN THE STATE'S COASTAL WATERS TO ALLOW FOR THE COMPLETION OF DREDGING PROJECTS IN A MORE TIMELY AND COST-EFFICIENT MANNER, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 797 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY TO DELEGATE PAYMENTS OF REQUESTS FOR REFUNDS OF CERTAIN TAXES PAID, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 11.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County, as follows:

"Dear heavenly Father, we are just thankful for another day, and we are continually in awe in the work that you are doing in each and every one of us here. We are thankful for your promises. Your promises are given, and their fulfillment is certain, and the choice is always ours to really believe and to trust in you. I ask that you protect our families who are not with us tonight. I ask that you just continue to give our feet and our arms and our hands and just our brains, Lord, and our hearts, really, just the amount of energy and capacity and strength that we need in order to continue through the rest of this week. We love you, and we ask that we continue to be good stewards of the resources that you've given this state, and the resources, and even the relationships within this chamber and across in our House chamber as well, Lord. May we just be gracious and generous with one another. In your name I pray. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, June 10, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Alexander, Senator Corbin, and Senator Murdock.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 453, AN ACT TO PROTECT AGAINST DISCRIMINATION OF HUMAN LIFE.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 116 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WITHDRAW FROM THE FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (FPUC) AGREEMENT; TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A

COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS; TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on June 3.

Pursuant to Rule 47(a), Senator Rabon offers a motion that the House Committee Substitute bill be withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on today's calendar, which motion prevails without objection, and the Chair so orders.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 383 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 47, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---47.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Tuesday, June 15, upon third reading.

S.B. 470 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 20 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT CONNECTIONS TO WATER SUPPLY LINES FUNDED BY THE CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL GAS CRITICAL NEEDS BOND ACT OF 1998, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 64 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO CERTAIN PUBLIC PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE AND DISMISSAL RECORDS, upon second reading.

Senator Sanderson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (46-1).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (28-19) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 130, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ADDITION OF THE EAST COAST GREENWAY IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA TO THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 139 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD A LICENSED SOIL SCIENTIST TO THE ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 654 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Ballard, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (0-47) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 722 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ELECTIONS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH ONE OR MORE OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN 2021 WHERE THE CANDIDATE FOR THAT OFFICE IS ELECTED BY DISTRICT SHALL BE DELAYED UNTIL 2022; TO REQUIRE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH DELAYED 2021 ELECTIONS TO REVIEW AND REVISE THOSE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RELEASE OF THE 2020 U.S. CENSUS DATA; TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF RALEIGH SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; AND TO ALLOW RESOLUTIONS REDISTRICTING COUNTY ELECTORAL DISTRICTS TO BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON ADOPTION FOR THE 2022 ELECTIONS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Daniel, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (33-14) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 116 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN TO WITHDRAW FROM THE **FEDERAL PANDEMIC** UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (FPUC) AGREEMENT; ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS; TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Edwards, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill (0-47) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Krawiec, the Senate adjourns at 7:47 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, June 15, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- H.B. 253 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF BURGAW AND TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SURF CITY TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ONSTREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 287**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF RANDLEMAN, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 386 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO BAN THE DISCHARGE OR ATTEMPT TO DISCHARGE FIREARMS FROM, ON, ACROSS, OR OVER THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG THE RAILROAD SERVING THE MILITARY OCEAN TERMINAL AT SUNNY POINT IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY, with a favorable report.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

S.B. 116 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WITHDRAW FROM THE FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (FPUC) AGREEMENT; TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO

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THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS; TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill for S.B. 116 on June 14, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Edwards, Chair; Senator Rabon, Senator Johnson, Senator McInnis and Senator deViere as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

S.B. 654 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for S.B. 654 on June 14, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Ballard, Chair; Senator Lee, Senator Davis and Senator B. Jackson as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 586,** AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY LIPEDEMA. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 11, 2021 S.L. 2021-29)
- **S.B. 248,** AN ACT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IDENTIFICATION CARDS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 11, 2021 S.L. 2021-30)
- **H.B. 224,** AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 11, 2021 S.L. 2021-31)
- **S.B. 135**, AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN

ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 14, 2021 - S.L. 2021-32)

S.B. 241, AN ACT AMENDING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS REGULATING MODIFIED UTILITY VEHICLES AND DIRECTING THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 14, 2021 - S.L. 2021-33)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

EIGHTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, June 15, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:

H.B. 360, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DAN RIVER STATE TRAIL, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 121 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30439, which changes the title to read **H.B. 121** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DREDGING PROJECTS FOR FERRY CHANNELS FROM SHALLOW DRAFT NAVIGATION CHANNEL DREDGING AND AQUATIC WEED FUND COST-SHARE REQUIREMENTS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 206 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40640, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- H.B. 160 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 163 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 168 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN **ACT** MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES **RELATED** CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE TEACHERS' (LGERS) AND AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TSERS); CLARIFYING WITHDRAWAL LIABILITIES UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; CLARIFYING AND STANDARDIZING THE DEFINITION OF "ACTUARIAL EQUIVALENT"

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UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; REQUIRING EMPLOYING UNITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES FOR SPECIAL SEPARATION BUYOUTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; GIVING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES UNDER CERTAIN PLANS; CLAWING BACK DISABILITY INCOME PLAN OVERPAYMENTS UNDER THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM; AND ADDRESSING SPECIAL RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS UPON THE DEATH OF THE DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY, with a favorable report.

- **H.B. 238**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF CREDIT CARD SKIMMING DEVICES, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 272** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION LAW TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG CHILDREN ARE NOT EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS LEAD IN DRINKING WATER, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 278**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT SUNSETTING ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BY BOARDS OF ALCOHOLIC CONTROL, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 341 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING IMPERSONATION OF AN ACTUAL PERSON OVER THE INTERNET FOR CERTAIN UNLAWFUL PURPOSES A CLASS H FELONY AND PROTECTING CONSUMERS FROM MISLEADING OR FICTITIOUS COMMUNICATIONS DESIGNED TO ELICIT A RESPONSE OR FOR A STUDY, SURVEY, MARKETING, OR OTHER PURPOSE, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 344 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES AND TO PROVIDE THAT A WATER OR WASTEWATER PUBLIC UTILITY IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR INCOME TAXES DUE ON TAXABLE CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 629, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER MUST CONSULT WITH A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING A TARGETED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, with a favorable report.

H.B. 734 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND PROTECTING NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM THE UNLICENSED OPERATION OF MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES OR PROGRAMS PROVIDING SERVICES REQUIRING A LICENSE UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 121 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DREDGING PROJECTS FOR FERRY CHANNELS FROM SHALLOW DRAFT NAVIGATION CHANNEL DREDGING AND AQUATIC WEED FUND COST-SHARE REQUIREMENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on June 15.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Transportation** Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and** Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 67, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND SESSION LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 3.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 68, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE PROVISIONS THAT BROADLY CRIMINALIZE VIOLATIONS OF RULES OF CERTAIN LICENSING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 25.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 206 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD, referred to the State and Local Government Committee on June 15.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the **State and Local Government Committee** and re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Paul Newton, Senator from Cabarrus County, as follows:

"Ephesians 6:12 says, 'For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.' Heavenly Father, most of us don't even understand what that means. We don't appreciate or grasp the heavenly realm. We just pray that you would make this scripture come alive to us so that we can better work with our colleagues, better respect our colleagues and all those around us because our battle is not here in this chamber, our battle is not with flesh and blood. You tell us our battle is in the heavenlies. Help us understand what that means. We love you, and we want to serve you better by getting a firmer grasp on that concept. Thank you, Lord. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, June 14, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 722, AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ELECTIONS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH ONE OR MORE OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN 2021 WHERE THE CANDIDATE FOR THAT OFFICE IS ELECTED BY DISTRICT SHALL BE DELAYED UNTIL 2022; TO REQUIRE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH DELAYED 2021 ELECTIONS TO REVIEW AND REVISE THOSE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RELEASE OF THE 2020 U.S. CENSUS DATA; TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF RALEIGH SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; AND TO ALLOW RESOLUTIONS REDISTRICTING COUNTY ELECTORAL DISTRICTS TO BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON ADOPTION FOR THE 2022 ELECTIONS.

- **H.B. 20,** AN ACT TO EXPAND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT CONNECTIONS TO WATER SUPPLY LINES FUNDED BY THE CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL GAS CRITICAL NEEDS BOND ACT OF 1998.
- **H.B. 130,** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ADDITION OF THE EAST COAST GREENWAY IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA TO THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM.
- **H.B. 139,** AN ACT TO ADD A LICENSED SOIL SCIENTIST TO THE ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the following bills are withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Wednesday, June 16:

- **S.B. 724** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND VOTER ACCESS BY ESTABLISHING A VOTING PORTAL FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED VOTERS TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT ONLINE, ALLOWING FOR THE ONLINE SUBMISSION OF VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORMS, AND STATING THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FUND A PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST VOTERS NEEDING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION.
- **S.B. 725**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS.
- **S.B. 326** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED, TO REQUIRE PUBLISHING OF THE DATE ABSENTEE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE AND THE DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPORTING OF BALLOTS BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 253 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF BURGAW AND TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SURF CITY TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ONSTREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED, upon second reading.

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The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 50, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---50.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Wednesday, June 16, upon third reading.

H.B. 287, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF RANDLEMAN, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 386 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO BAN THE DISCHARGE OR ATTEMPT TO DISCHARGE FIREARMS FROM, ON, ACROSS, OR OVER THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG THE RAILROAD SERVING THE MILITARY OCEAN TERMINAL AT SUNNY POINT IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 51 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF HAVELOCK, TOWNS OF BRIDGETON, COVE CITY, DOVER, RIVER BEND, AND TRENT WOODS, AND THE FIRST CRAVEN SANITARY DISTRICT, SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Sanderson, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (50-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 125 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (50-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 383 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION, upon third reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 50, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---50.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 642 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND HEALTH INSURERS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (50-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 50 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES REGARDING ESTATES AND TRUSTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Galey, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (50-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Burgin, the Senate adjourns at 4:29 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, June 16, at 9:30 a.m.

EIGHTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, June 16, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

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Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 5:00 p.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 15, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in S.B. 116 House Committee Substitute (4th Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WITHDRAW FROM THE FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (FPUC) AGREEMENT; TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS; TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Saine, Chair Representative Johnson Representative Bradford Representative Pickett and Representative Wray

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

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House of Representatives June 15, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in S.B. 654 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Elmore, Chair Representative Torbett Representative Saine and Representative Brockman

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

> Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.J.R. 726, A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF DAVE RICHARD AS DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF HEALTH BENEFITS, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a resolution as follows:

S.J.R. 726, A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF DAVE RICHARD AS DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF HEALTH BENEFITS, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on June 16.

The Joint Resolution is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Health Care Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Select Committee on Nominations.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 659, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR SPENDING CERTAIN WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Burgin for the Health Care Committee:

S.J.R. 726, A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF DAVE RICHARD AS DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF HEALTH BENEFITS, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Joint Resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

H.B. 769 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A BILL OF RIGHTS RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS OF FOSTER PARENTS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30441, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

By Senator Krawiec for the Health Care Committee:

H.B. 96 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PHARMACISTS TO ADMINISTER INJECTABLE DRUGS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10507, which changes the title to read **H.B. 96** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO ORDER, DISPENSE, DELIVER, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

By Senator Ballard for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

H.B. 38, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 159 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO EDUCATION LAWS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10510, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

H.B. 335 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO A CHARTER SCHOOL TO INCENTIVIZE THE TIMELY TRANSFER OF FUNDS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10508, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 602 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FINANCE, BUSINESS OFFICE, AND AUDITOR PROFESSIONALS FROM MOST PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN RESOURCES ACT, TO CONSOLIDATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN REPORTS, TO MAKE CHANGES FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR VETERANS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW, TO CODIFY CAPITAL PROJECT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE SECURITY FOR THE MORGANTON CAMPUS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10509, which changes the title to read **H.B. 602** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO EXEMPT FINANCE, BUSINESS OFFICE, AND AUDITOR PROFESSIONALS FROM MOST PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN RESOURCES

ACT; TO CONSOLIDATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN REPORTS; TO CODIFY CAPITAL PROJECT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND TO PROVIDE THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA FLEXIBILITY TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 5:20 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 5:30 p.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Thou who art eternal, we thank thee for this day, and we thank thee for all days. We thank thee for our friendships; we thank thee for our loved ones; we thank thee for what you continue to do in our lives. Now we ask that you would be with us as we continue to do deliberation for the good of the Old North State. These things we pray in the name of He that orders our steps and meets us with mercy. And all of the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, June 15, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 50, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES REGARDING ESTATES AND TRUSTS.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 51,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF HAVELOCK, TOWNS OF BRIDGETON, COVE CITY, DOVER, RIVER BEND, AND TRENT WOODS, AND THE FIRST CRAVEN SANITARY DISTRICT, SHALL BE HELD IN EVENNUMBERED YEARS.
- **S.B. 125**, AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS.
- **S.B. 192,** AN ACT REPEALING THE LOCAL ACTS ESTABLISHING THE HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND PROVIDING THAT THE CITY OF HICKORY SHALL ESTABLISH A PLANNING COMMISSION AS PROVIDED UNDER THE GENERAL LAWS OF THIS STATE.
- **H.B. 287**, AN ACT TO REVISE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF RANDLEMAN.
- **H.B. 386,** AN ACT TO BAN THE DISCHARGE OR ATTEMPT TO DISCHARGE FIREARMS FROM, ON, ACROSS, OR OVER THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG THE RAILROAD SERVING THE MILITARY OCEAN TERMINAL AT SUNNY POINT IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the following bills are withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Monday, June 21:

- **H.B. 238**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF CREDIT CARD SKIMMING DEVICES.
- **H.B. 272** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION LAW TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG CHILDREN ARE NOT EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS LEAD IN DRINKING WATER.
- H.B. 341 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING IMPERSONATION OF AN ACTUAL PERSON OVER THE INTERNET FOR CERTAIN UNLAWFUL PURPOSES A CLASS H FELONY AND PROTECTING CONSUMERS FROM MISLEADING OR FICTITIOUS COMMUNICATIONS DESIGNED TO ELICIT A RESPONSE OR FOR A STUDY, SURVEY, MARKETING, OR OTHER PURPOSE.

- H.B. 344 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES AND TO PROVIDE THAT A WATER OR WASTEWATER PUBLIC UTILITY IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR INCOME TAXES DUE ON TAXABLE CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION.
- H.B. 629, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER MUST CONSULT WITH A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING A TARGETED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE.
- H.B. 734 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND PROTECTING NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM THE UNLICENSED OPERATION OF MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES OR PROGRAMS PROVIDING SERVICES REQUIRING A LICENSE UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 253 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF BURGAW AND TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SURF CITY TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ONSTREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 50, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---50.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Committee Substitute bill is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 326 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED, TO REQUIRE PUBLISHING OF THE DATE ABSENTEE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE AND THE DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPORTING OF BALLOTS BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, upon second reading.

Upon motion of Senator Daniel, without objection, the Committee Substitute bill is displaced to the end of today's calendar.

S.B. 724 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND VOTER ACCESS BY ESTABLISHING A VOTING PORTAL FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED VOTERS TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT ONLINE, ALLOWING FOR THE ONLINE SUBMISSION OF VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORMS, AND STATING THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO FUND A PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY AND ASSIST VOTERS NEEDING PHOTO IDENTIFICATION, upon second reading.

Senator Newton offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (50-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (28-22) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 725, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (28-22) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 160 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (50-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 163 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE, upon second reading.

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The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Salvador.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 168 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES RELATED TO CONTRIBUTION-BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LGERS) AND THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TSERS); CLARIFYING WITHDRAWAL LIABILITIES UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; CLARIFYING AND STANDARDIZING THE DEFINITION OF "ACTUARIAL EQUIVALENT" UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; REQUIRING EMPLOYING UNITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES FOR SPECIAL SEPARATION BUYOUTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; GIVING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES UNDER CERTAIN PLANS; CLAWING BACK DISABILITY INCOME PLAN OVERPAYMENTS UNDER THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM; AND ADDRESSING SPECIAL RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS UPON THE DEATH OF THE DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 278, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT SUNSETTING ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BY BOARDS OF ALCOHOLIC CONTROL, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 326 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED, TO REQUIRE PUBLISHING OF THE DATE ABSENTEE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE AND THE DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPORTING OF BALLOTS BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, upon second reading.

Senator Fitch offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (47-2).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (28-21) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Bazemore, the Senate adjourns at 6:47 p.m., in honor and in memory of Ruth Battle Reives, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, June 17, at 9:30 a.m.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 203,** AN ACT TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE FOR CERTIFICATION OF POLICE TELECOMMUNICATORS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-34)
- **H.B. 812,** AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF REMOTE MEETINGS DURING CERTAIN STATES OF EMERGENCY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-35)
- H.B. 743, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ALTERING, DESTROYING, OR REMOVING PERMANENT PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION MARKS FROM PERSONAL PROPERTY AND REMOVING, DEFACING, DESTROYING, ALTERING, OR COVERING OVER IDENTIFYING MARKS ON CERTAIN MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND APPARATUSES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-36)
- **H.B. 20,** AN ACT TO EXPAND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT CONNECTIONS TO WATER SUPPLY LINES FUNDED BY THE CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL GAS CRITICAL NEEDS BOND ACT OF 1998. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-37)
- **H.B. 139,** AN ACT TO ADD A LICENSED SOIL SCIENTIST TO THE ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 16, 2021 - S.L. 2021-38)
- **S.B. 51,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF HAVELOCK, TOWNS OF BRIDGETON, COVE CITY, DOVER, RIVER BEND, AND TRENT WOODS, AND THE FIRST CRAVEN SANITARY DISTRICT, SHALL BE HELD IN EVENNUMBERED YEARS. (Became law upon ratification, June 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-39)
- **S.B. 125,** AN ACT TO REVISE THE METHOD BY WHICH VACANCIES ARE FILLED FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE IN THE TOWN OF ROWLAND AND TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF RED SPRINGS. (Became law upon ratification, June 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-40)

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- **S.B. 192,** AN ACT REPEALING THE LOCAL ACTS ESTABLISHING THE HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND PROVIDING THAT THE CITY OF HICKORY SHALL ESTABLISH A PLANNING COMMISSION AS PROVIDED UNDER THE GENERAL LAWS OF THIS STATE. (Became law upon ratification, June 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-41)
- **H.B. 287,** AN ACT TO REVISE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF RANDLEMAN. (Became law upon ratification, June 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-42)
- H.B. 386, AN ACT TO BAN THE DISCHARGE OR ATTEMPT TO DISCHARGE FIREARMS FROM, ON, ACROSS, OR OVER THE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG THE RAILROAD SERVING THE MILITARY OCEAN TERMINAL AT SUNNY POINT IN BRUNSWICK COUNTY. (Became law upon ratification, June 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-43)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

EIGHTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, June 17, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us—this wonderful weather. We thank you for your grace and love. We pray that you'll help us here today. Guide and direct us, and give us safe journeys home. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, June 16, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 277,** AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES.
- H.B. 160, AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM.
- H.B. 163, AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE.
- H.B. 278, AN ACT SUNSETTING ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BY BOARDS OF ALCOHOLIC CONTROL.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 145,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO CONVEY CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS.
- **S.B. 169,** AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE KINSTON-LENOIR COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.
- H.B. 253, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF BURGAW AND TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SURF CITY TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, June 21, at 4:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 16, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 64 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO CERTAIN PUBLIC PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE AND DISMISSAL RECORDS.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 312 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE OR APPOINTEE FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF TO DISCLOSE ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS, INCLUDING ANY EXPUNGED CONVICTIONS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 5.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 554, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE YEAR 2023 AS "NORTH CAROLINA YEAR OF THE TRAIL," referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 711, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 327 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE PROCESS FOR LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF RULES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 105, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** on February 18.

A sequential referral to the **Finance Committee** is added.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 314 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 22.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 323 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MONEYS DEPOSITED IN CERTAIN DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1 TO BE INVESTED THROUGH THE STATE TREASURER'S ANCILLARY GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT PROGRAM AND TO ADDRESS THE INVESTMENT OF FUNDS DEPOSITED IN THE SWAIN COUNTY SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 22.

S.B. 194 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RETAIN THE STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, June 23.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 145,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM TO CONVEY CITY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE SUPPLY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS. (Became law upon ratification, June 17, 2021 S.L. 2021-44)
- **S.B. 169,** AN ACT TO MODIFY THE COMPOSITION OF THE KINSTON-LENOIR COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. (Became law upon ratification, June 17, 2021 S.L. 2021-45)
- H.B. 253, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN OF BURGAW AND TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SURF CITY TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED. (Became law upon ratification, June 17, 2021 S.L. 2021-46)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

June 17, 2021

EIGHTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, June 21, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:00 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

RECESS

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 260 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, for concurrence in the House Committee

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, June 23.

S.B. 288 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE TOWN OF RUTHERFORD COLLEGE SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, June 23.

S.B. 668 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF **ADDITIONAL** TO **CONTRIBUTIONS** FROM **EMPLOYING** TO **ADDRESS** UNITS: RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT LIABILITIES WHEN THE FINAL EMPLOYER OF A MEMBER IS NOT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER FOR AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION CALCULATIONS AND TO ADJUST THE FORMULA FOR REDUCED WITH **CONTRIBUTION-BASED** RETIREMENTS **BENEFIT** LIABILITIES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PUT A LITIGATION PAUSE IN PLACE AND ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP THAT MAY REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE EARLY NOTIFICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF PROPOSED FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, June 23.

H.B. 83 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXCLUDE MILITARY RETIREMENT PAY FROM TAXATION FOR CERTAIN RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 477 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO PERMIT TEMPORARY EVENT VENUES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 624 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE INNOVATION COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 693, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE A COMMON CARRIER VEHICLE ABC PERMIT.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- H.B. 38, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 335** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO A CHARTER SCHOOL TO INCENTIVIZE THE TIMELY TRANSFER OF FUNDS, with a favorable report.

H.B. 360, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DAN RIVER STATE TRAIL, with a favorable report.

H.B. 602 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO EXEMPT FINANCE, BUSINESS OFFICE, AND AUDITOR PROFESSIONALS FROM MOST PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN RESOURCES ACT; TO CONSOLIDATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN REPORTS; TO CODIFY CAPITAL PROJECT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND TO PROVIDE THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA FLEXIBILITY TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS, with a favorable report.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

A vetoed bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, was returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate, as follows:

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 43, "An Act to Enact the Religious Assembly Security and Protection Act of 2021 and to Authorize Concealed Carry for Certain Law Enforcement Facility Employees."

For the safety of students and teachers, North Carolina should keep guns off school grounds.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 18th day of June 2021, at 2:19 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Senator Rabon orders the bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County, as follows:

"Thank you, God, for another day to serve you. We pray, Lord, that we indeed hearken diligently to your voice; that we observe and do your commandments as a Senate body and as a General Assembly so that our state will be blessed with the bounty that you generously bestow. We lift up those amongst us who are either sick or have loved ones who are ill, and we ask that you restore both their bodies and their souls and that their cup will run over. And I ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, June 17, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Murdock and Senator Steinburg.

WITHDRAWALS FROM A FUTURE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the following bills are withdrawn from the calendar of Wednesday, June 23, and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 22:

- **S.B. 194** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RETAIN THE STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.
- **S.B. 260** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.
- S.B. 288 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE TOWN OF RUTHERFORD COLLEGE SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.
- **S.B. 668** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EMPLOYING UNITS; TO ADDRESS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES WHEN THE FINAL EMPLOYER OF A MEMBER IS NOT THE

MEMBER'S EMPLOYER FOR AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION CALCULATIONS AND TO ADJUST THE FORMULA FOR REDUCED RETIREMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PUT A LITIGATION PAUSE IN PLACE AND ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP THAT MAY REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE EARLY NOTIFICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF PROPOSED FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

MOTION TO FILE AND INTRODUCE A RESOLUTION

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended to allow for the filing and introduction today of a resolution with the short title, "Support Lumbee Recognition Act." Senator Rabon further moves that the resolution be placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 22.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

H.B. 341 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING IMPERSONATION OF AN ACTUAL PERSON OVER THE INTERNET FOR CERTAIN UNLAWFUL PURPOSES A CLASS H FELONY AND PROTECTING CONSUMERS FROM MISLEADING OR FICTITIOUS COMMUNICATIONS DESIGNED TO ELICIT A RESPONSE OR FOR A STUDY, SURVEY, MARKETING, OR OTHER PURPOSE.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 238, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF CREDIT CARD SKIMMING DEVICES, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 272 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION LAW TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG CHILDREN ARE NOT EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS LEAD IN DRINKING WATER, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 344 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES AND TO PROVIDE THAT A WATER OR WASTEWATER PUBLIC UTILITY IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR INCOME TAXES DUE ON TAXABLE CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 629, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER MUST CONSULT WITH A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING A TARGETED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Bazemore.

H.B. 734 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND PROTECTING NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM THE UNLICENSED OPERATION OF MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES OR PROGRAMS PROVIDING SERVICES REQUIRING A LICENSE UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, upon second reading.

Senator Perry offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (47-0) and changes the title to read, **H.B. 734** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; PROTECTING NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM THE UNLICENSED OPERATION OF MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES OR PROGRAMS PROVIDING SERVICES REQUIRING A LICENSE UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES; AND MODIFYING THE CONSUMER AND FAMILY ADVISORY COMMITTEES.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Waddell submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "HONORING THE OBSERVANCE OF JUNETEENTH."

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Waddell, the Senate adjourns at 7:30 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, June 22, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Britt, Harrington, McInnis (Primary Sponsors); Clark, deViere, J. Jackson, Mohammed and Nickel:

S.R. 727, A SENATE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LUMBEE RECOGNITION ACT, WHICH EXTENDS FULL FEDERAL RECOGNITION TO THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The resolution is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 22.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 255**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 18, 2021 S.L. 2021-47)
- **S.B. 582,** AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO BE ADJUNCT INSTRUCTORS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH TWELVE COURSES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 21, 2021 S.L. 2021-48)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

June 21, 2021

EIGHTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, June 22, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Our God and our Father, we thank thee and we love thee as the creator of all good and beautiful gifts. We thank you for our health, we thank you for our strength, and we thank you for this opportunity to serve this great state. We ask that you would continue to be with us, continue to bless us and keep us, and wrap your loving arms around each and every one of us. These things we pray in He that orders our steps and meets us with mercy. And all of the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, June 21, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **H.B. 238,** AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF CREDIT CARD SKIMMING DEVICES.
- **H.B. 272,** AN ACT TO UPDATE THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION LAW TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG CHILDREN ARE NOT EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS LEAD IN DRINKING WATER.
- H.B. 629, AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER MUST CONSULT WITH A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING A TARGETED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Ballard submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "COMMEMORATING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS IN NORTH CAROLINA."

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.R. 727, A SENATE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LUMBEE RECOGNITION ACT, WHICH EXTENDS FULL FEDERAL RECOGNITION TO THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the resolution is withdrawn from today's calendar and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 38, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 194 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RETAIN THE STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Lazzara, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (50-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 260 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Sawyer, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (50-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 288 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE TOWN OF RUTHERFORD COLLEGE SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Daniel, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (50-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled.

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H.B. 335 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO A CHARTER SCHOOL TO INCENTIVIZE THE TIMELY TRANSFER OF FUNDS, upon second reading.

Senator Davis offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-1).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (50-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 360, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DAN RIVER STATE TRAIL, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (50-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 602 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO EXEMPT FINANCE, BUSINESS OFFICE, AND AUDITOR PROFESSIONALS FROM MOST PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN RESOURCES ACT; TO CONSOLIDATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN REPORTS; TO CODIFY CAPITAL PROJECT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND TO PROVIDE THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA FLEXIBILITY TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS, upon second reading.

Senator Lee offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (50-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (50-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 314 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE

SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Davis, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (0-50) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 323 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN **ACT AUTHORIZE** MONEYS DEPOSITED IN **CERTAIN** DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1 TO BE INVESTED THROUGH **STATE** TREASURER'S **ANCILLARY GOVERNMENTAL** PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT PROGRAM AND TO ADDRESS THE INVESTMENT OF FUNDS DEPOSITED IN THE SWAIN COUNTY SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Newton, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (50-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 668 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN **AUTHORIZE** THE COLLECTION OF **ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS** FROM **EMPLOYING** TO **ADDRESS** UNITS: RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT LIABILITIES WHEN THE FINAL EMPLOYER OF A MEMBER IS NOT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER FOR AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION CALCULATIONS AND TO ADJUST THE FORMULA FOR REDUCED RETIREMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT LIABILITIES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' THE LOCAL **GOVERNMENTAL** RETIREMENT **SYSTEM AND** EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PUT A LITIGATION PAUSE IN PLACE AND ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP THAT MAY REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE EARLY NOTIFICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF PROPOSED FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Burgin, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (50-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Fitch, the Senate adjourns at 4:41 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, June 23, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Harrington for the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee:

S.B. 105, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15309, is adopted and engrossed.

The Committee Substitute is held as material, which constitutes first reading. Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

S.B. 314 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for S.B. 314 on June 22, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator McInnis, Chair; Senator Newton and Senator Davis as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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EIGHTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, June 23, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Finance Committee:

H.B. 236, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 375 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 105 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, with a favorable report.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 22, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 314 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES

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THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Moore, Chair Representative Bell and Representative D. Hall

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

H.B. 68, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE PROVISIONS THAT BROADLY CRIMINALIZE VIOLATIONS OF RULES OF CERTAIN LICENSING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 132 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE REVISIONS TO THE JUVENILE CODE PURSUANT TO RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 297 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO OFFER REMOTE CONVERSION OF FULL PROVISIONAL LICENSES TO PERSONS DEPLOYED OUT-OF-STATE AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL DEFENSE TO DRIVING WITH AN EXPIRED LICENSE, AND WAIVING THE LATE FEE FOR RENEWING AN EXPIRED REGISTRATION FOR PERSONS DEPLOYED AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 3 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 481 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW EACH DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, INSTITUTION, COMMISSION, AND BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, OR LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF NORTH CAROLINA AND CAMPUS POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SELL, TRADE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OR ALL SURPLUS WEAPONS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO ANY FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 522, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PROVISIONS REGULATING THE SERVICE AND RELEASE OF ALTERNATE JURORS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10514, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 145 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PROPERTY RIGHTS OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER BY ALLOWING THEM TO STORE THEIR FIREARMS WITH OR SELL THEIR FIREARMS THROUGH A QUALIFIED LICENSED FIREARMS DEALER, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10513, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 312 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE OR APPOINTEE FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF TO DISCLOSE ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS, INCLUDING ANY EXPUNGED CONVICTIONS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40644, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Lisa S. Barnes, Senator from Nash County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, I just worship you today as all powerful God. You are omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent. There is nothing too big for you, and there is nothing too small that it escapes your attention. Lord, I thank you that we get to witness your vast power every day in creation. And your power is working within us, conforming us to the image of Christ. Lord, I pray that you would help us rely on your power to accomplish your purpose to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and that you would bless us and that you would keep us, that you would make your face shine upon us and be gracious unto us, that you would lift up your countenance upon us and give us peace. In the name of Jesus, Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, June 22, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator McInnis.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Edwards, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on S.B. 116 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WITHDRAW FROM THE FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (FPUC) AGREEMENT; TO ELIMINATE THE ADDBACK FOR BUSINESS EXPENSES DEDUCTED TO THE EXTENT THE PAYMENT RESULTS IN FORGIVENESS OF A COVERED LOAN UNDER THE FEDERAL CARES ACT FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAXABLE YEARS; TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT; AND TO EXCLUDE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FROM STATE TAXABLE INCOME TO THE SAME EXTENT AS FEDERAL LAW, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S116-PCCS45441-TM-3.

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Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, S.B. 116 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WITHDRAW FROM THE FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (FPUC) AND THE MIXED EARNERS UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (MEUC) AGREEMENT, TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS TO RESPOND TO EMPLOYER REQUESTS, AND TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS.

The Conference Report is placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

CALENDAR

A bill on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 116 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WITHDRAW FROM THE FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT **COMPENSATION** (FPUC) AND THE **MIXED EARNERS** UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (MEUC) AGREEMENT, TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS TO RESPOND TO **EMPLOYER** REQUESTS, AND TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS, for adoption.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Daniel.

Upon motion of Senator Edwards, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (26-22).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Nickel, the Senate adjourns at 4:26 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, June 24, at 9:30 a.m.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- S.B. 323, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MONEYS DEPOSITED IN CERTAIN DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1 TO BE INVESTED THROUGH THE STATE TREASURER'S ANCILLARY GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT PROGRAM AND TO ADDRESS THE INVESTMENT OF FUNDS DEPOSITED IN THE SWAIN COUNTY SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND.
- **S.B. 367,** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OR CONSTRUCTION AND THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.
- **S.B. 644,** AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES.
- S.B. 668, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EMPLOYING UNITS; TO ADDRESS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES WHEN THE FINAL EMPLOYER OF A MEMBER IS NOT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER FOR AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION CALCULATIONS AND TO ADJUST THE FORMULA FOR REDUCED RETIREMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PUT A LITIGATION PAUSE IN PLACE AND ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP THAT MAY REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE EARLY NOTIFICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF PROPOSED FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS.
- H.B. 168, AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES RELATED TO CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LGERS) AND THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TSERS); CLARIFYING WITHDRAWAL LIABILITIES UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; CLARIFYING AND STANDARDIZING THE DEFINITION OF "ACTUARIAL EQUIVALENT" UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; REQUIRING EMPLOYING UNITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES FOR SPECIAL SEPARATION BUYOUTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; GIVING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT BOARD

OF TRUSTEES LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES UNDER CERTAIN PLANS; CLAWING BACK DISABILITY INCOME PLAN OVERPAYMENTS UNDER THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM; AND ADDRESSING SPECIAL RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS UPON THE DEATH OF THE DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY.

- H.B. 360, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DAN RIVER STATE TRAIL.
- **H.B. 642,** AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND HEALTH INSURERS.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 194,** AN ACT TO RETAIN THE STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH.
- **S.B. 260,** AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.
- S.B. 288, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE TOWN OF RUTHERFORD COLLEGE SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN.
- **H.B. 38,** AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE.

ADDITIONAL BILL SPONSOR

Senator Harrington requests to be added as a co-sponsor of previously introduced legislation:

S.B. 711, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

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- **S.B. 194,** AN ACT TO RETAIN THE STAGGERED TERMS OF MEMBERS SERVING ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN THE TOWN OF NORTH TOPSAIL BEACH. (Became law upon ratification, June 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-49)
- **S.B. 260,** AN ACT TO MODIFY THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MOORESVILLE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. (Became law upon ratification, June 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-50)
- **S.B. 288,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE TOWN OF RUTHERFORD COLLEGE SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS AND TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD OF THE BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE CALDWELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN. (Became law upon ratification, June 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-51)
- H.B. 38, AN ACT TO ALLOW UP TO TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO BE MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND TO REQUIRE TRUSTEES TO MAINTAIN THEIR COUNTY OF RESIDENCE. (Became law upon ratification, June 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-52)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

EIGHTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, June 24, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 2:00 p.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 23, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on S.B. 116 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO WITHDRAW FROM THE FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (FPUC) AND THE MIXED EARNERS UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (MEUC) AGREEMENT, TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS TO RESPOND TO **EMPLOYER** REQUESTS, AND TO ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to the Senate having adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 116 on Wednesday, June 23, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 23, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on S.B. 314 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL

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ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 181 (Committee Substitute No. 4), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports and a select committee report are submitted as follows:

By Senator Edwards for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 103 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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H.B. 461, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFYING AND TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE STATE AUDITOR STATUTES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

H.B. 67, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND SESSION LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40643, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the **Select Committee on Nominations**:

S.J.R. 726, A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF DAVE RICHARD AS DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF HEALTH BENEFITS, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Norman W. Sanderson, Senator from Pamlico County, as follows:

"Father, our faith is in you; our hope is in you; our trust is in you. We welcome you today into our midst. Pour out your abundant wisdom on us. We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, June 23, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

CONVEYANCE OF A BILL

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, **S.B. 116** will be sent to the Governor by special message.

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FLOOR PRIVILEGES

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended to allow staff to be seated on the Senate chamber floor while **S.B. 105** is being discussed.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- H.B. 344, AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES AND TO PROVIDE THAT A WATER OR WASTEWATER PUBLIC UTILITY IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR INCOME TAXES DUE ON TAXABLE CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION.
- **H.B. 383,** AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION.
- H.B. 734, AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; PROTECTING NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM THE UNLICENSED OPERATION OF MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES OR PROGRAMS PROVIDING SERVICES REQUIRING A LICENSE UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES; AND MODIFYING THE CONSUMER AND FAMILY ADVISORY COMMITTEES.
- S.B. 116, AN ACT TO WITHDRAW FROM THE FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (FPUC) AND THE MIXED EARNERS UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (MEUC) AGREEMENT, TO APPROPRIATE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES THE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, TO REQUIRE INDIVIDUALS TO RESPOND TO EMPLOYER REQUESTS, AND TO MAKE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAWS.

CALENDAR

A bill on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 105 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, upon second reading.

Senator B. Jackson offers Amendment No. 1.

Without objection, Senator Mayfield is excused from voting on the bill, submitting the following reason: "There are specific allocations of state funds to my employer. When this provision is changed, the conflict will be resolved and then I will participate in subsequent votes."

Amendment No. 1 is adopted (29-20).

Senator Edwards offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (48-0).

Without objection, Senator Mayfield withdraws her recusal from voting.

Senator Clark offers Amendment No. 3, which is adopted (50-0).

Senator Sawyer offers Amendment No. 4, which is adopted (50-0).

Senator Davis offers Amendment No. 5.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 5 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Daniel, which motion prevails (28-22).

Senator Garrett offers Amendment No. 6.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 6 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Daniel, which motion prevails (28-22).

Senator Murdock offers Amendment No. 7.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 7 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Daniel, which motion prevails (28-22).

Senator Chaudhuri offers Amendment No. 8.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 8 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Daniel.

Senator Blue moves that the Senate do adjourn, seconded by Senator Garrett. The question before the body is the motion to adjourn, which motion fails (22-28).

The motion by Senator Hise that Amendment No. 8 do lie upon the table prevails (28-22).

Senator Waddell offers Amendment No. 9.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 9 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Daniel, which motion prevails (28-22).

Senator Crawford offers Amendment No. 10.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 10 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Daniel, which motion prevails (28-22).

Senator Nickel offers Amendment No. 11.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 11 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Daniel, which motion prevails (28-22).

Senator Marcus offers Amendment No. 12.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 12 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Daniel, which motion prevails (28-22).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 32, noes 18, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Berger, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg---32.

Voting in the negative: Senators Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Crawford, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard---18.

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, remains on the calendar for Friday, June 25, upon third reading.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 4:56 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Friday, June 25, at 9:00 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 264 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY, TO CLARIFY THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS, AND TO CLARIFY STATEWIDE QUARANTINES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 1.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 805, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR RIOTING OR INCITING RIOTING THAT RESULTS IN DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR DEATH AND ASSAULTING EMERGENCY PERSONNEL DURING A RIOT OR STATE OF EMERGENCY; TO ALLOW RECOVERY OF TREBLE DAMAGES FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY CAUSED BY RIOTING OR LOOTING; AND TO REQUIRE PRETRIAL RELEASE CONDITIONS FOR RIOTING AND LOOTING OFFENSES TO BE DETERMINED BY A JUDGE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator McInnis, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 314** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report is referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

EIGHTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Friday, June 25, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Dear God, I don't know all the challenges my friends have, but, God, you know everything. I hear their silence, you hear their prayers; I see their laughter, you see their tears; I see when they give, but you see what's been taken from them; I see their beautiful appearance, but you see the scars in their soul. God, we ask that you shape and mold every single decision that we make in this chamber today, decisions that are important, and we make them for the people of the state of North Carolina. My prayer for them, God, is that you hear every single prayer and that you meet every need. In Jesus' name, all the people said, 'Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, June 24, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Mohammed.

June 25, 2021

CALENDAR

Bills and a resolution on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 105 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, as amended, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 32, noes 17, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Berger, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg---32.

Voting in the negative: Senators Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Crawford, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Marcus, Mayfield, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard---17.

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Senator Rabon offers a motion that the House Committee Substitute bill for **S.B. 594** be placed on today's calendar upon its receipt from the House of Representatives. The motion prevails without objection, and the Chair so orders.

The Senate recesses at 9:14 a.m. to reconvene at 9:40 a.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Crawford.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 594 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS PROCESSES, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, CLARIFYING THE CODIFICATION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

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SERVICES COVERED BY STANDARD BENEFIT PLANS, AUTHORIZING COVERAGE OPTIONS FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR POPULATIONS NOT COVERED BY PREPAID HEALTH PLAN CONTRACTS, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, REMOVING THE RATE FLOOR FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, AND MAKING VARIOUS TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Senator Rabon's motion having prevailed, the House Committee Substitute bill is placed on today's calendar.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Hise and Senator Robinson.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.J.R. 726, A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF DAVE RICHARD AS DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF HEALTH BENEFITS, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, upon second reading.

The Joint Resolution passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 594 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS PROCESSES, INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, CLARIFYING THE CODIFICATION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES COVERED BY STANDARD BENEFIT PLANS, AUTHORIZING COVERAGE OPTIONS FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR POPULATIONS NOT COVERED BY PREPAID HEALTH PLAN CONTRACTS, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, REMOVING THE RATE FLOOR FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, AND MAKING VARIOUS TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Krawiec, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (46-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

CONVEYANCE OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, **S.J.R.** 726 will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message and **S.B.** 594 will be sent to the Governor by special message.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Garrett submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "DOROTHY 'DOT' KENDALL KEARNS."

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 9:51 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, June 28, at 4:00 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 173 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE LOCAL AUTHORITY FOR SCHOOL FACE COVERING DETERMINATIONS DURING THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 208 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 29.

S.B. 474 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 29.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 126 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 29.

S.B. 450 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS IN EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS, TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL NATIONALLY STANDARDIZED TESTS TO SATISFY NINTH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL WATER AND SEWER SERVICES TO CHARTER SCHOOLS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 29.

S.B. 605 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, June 29.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 50,** AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES REGARDING ESTATES AND TRUSTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 25, 2021 S.L. 2021-53)
- **H.B. 130,** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ADDITION OF THE EAST COAST GREENWAY IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA TO THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 25, 2021 S.L. 2021-54)
- **H.B. 360,** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE DAN RIVER STATE TRAIL. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 25, 2021 S.L. 2021-55)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, June 28, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

June 28, 2021

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another wonderful day you've given us. We thank you for extending your grace and love today. We pray that you'll help us in everything we do today and this evening. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Sawyer announces that the Senate Journal of Friday, June 25, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon her motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- S.B. 594, AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, CLARIFYING THE CODIFICATION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES COVERED BY STANDARD BENEFIT PLANS, AUTHORIZING COVERAGE OPTIONS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR POPULATIONS NOT COVERED BY PREPAID HEALTH PLAN CONTRACTS, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, REMOVING THE RATE FLOOR FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, AND MAKING **VARIOUS** TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM.
- **H.B. 335,** AN ACT TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO A CHARTER SCHOOL TO INCENTIVIZE THE TIMELY TRANSFER OF FUNDS.
- H.B. 602, AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO EXEMPT FINANCE, BUSINESS OFFICE, AND AUDITOR PROFESSIONALS FROM MOST PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN RESOURCES ACT; TO CONSOLIDATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN REPORTS; TO CODIFY CAPITAL PROJECT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND TO PROVIDE THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA FLEXIBILITY TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS.

Upon motion of Senator Sawyer, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 4:03 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, June 29, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

A bill filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.B. 728, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES FOR THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

June 28, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mark Robinson Lieutenant Governor 310 N. Blount Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 96-15.3(c), I am pleased to nominate Eric A. Montgomery of Mecklenburg County to serve on the North Carolina Employment Security Board of Review for a term beginning on July 1, 2021 and hereby submit his name for confirmation by the General Assembly.

I am grateful for Mr. Montgomery's willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Attached is his biographical information for your review. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Phil Berger The Honorable Robert T. Reives II

The Honorable Tim Moore Ms. Sarah Holland The Honorable Dan Blue Mr. James White

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of bills as follows:

H.B. 159 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO EDUCATION LAWS, referred to the Finance Committee on June 16, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

A sequential referral to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** is added between the existing referrals.

H.B. 659, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR SPENDING CERTAIN WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on June 16.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 722, AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ELECTIONS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH ONE OR MORE OFFICES UP FOR ELECTION IN 2021 WHERE THE CANDIDATE FOR THAT OFFICE IS ELECTED BY DISTRICT SHALL BE DELAYED UNTIL 2022; TO REQUIRE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH DELAYED 2021 ELECTIONS TO REVIEW AND REVISE THOSE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RELEASE OF THE 2020 U.S. CENSUS DATA; TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF RALEIGH SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; AND TO ALLOW RESOLUTIONS REDISTRICTING COUNTY ELECTORAL DISTRICTS TO BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON ADOPTION FOR THE 2022 ELECTIONS. (Became law without the approval of the Governor, June 28, 2021 - S.L. 2021-56)

- H.B. 160, AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO SERVICE PURCHASES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 28, 2021 S.L. 2021-57)
- H.B. 163, AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE TREASURER'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 28, 2021 S.L. 2021-58)
- **H.B. 278,** AN ACT SUNSETTING ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BY BOARDS OF ALCOHOLIC CONTROL. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 28, 2021 S.L. 2021-59)
- **S.B. 277,** AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 28, 2021 S.L. 2021-60)

Pursuant to Senator Sawyer's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, June 29, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

June 29, 2021

By Senator B. Jackson for the **Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee**:

H.B. 735, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A MINIMUM OF THREE COMPETITIVE BIDS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR CONTRACTS FOR DREDGING SERVICES IN THE STATE'S COASTAL WATERS TO ALLOW FOR THE COMPLETION OF DREDGING PROJECTS IN A MORE TIMELY AND COST-EFFICIENT MANNER, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 366 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10516, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the **Judiciary Committee**:

H.B. 103 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 327 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE PROCESS FOR LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF RULES, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30449, which changes the title to read **H.B. 327** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE PROCESS FOR LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF RULES, TO DESIGNATE THE NORTH CAROLINA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE PUBLISHED ONLINE AS THE OFFICIAL VERSION AND REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT TO PUBLISH AND PROVIDE PRINTED COPIES, TO UPDATE THE MODEL CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT FOR STATE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES, AND TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING LAWS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 404 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10515, which changes the title to read **H.B. 404** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 236**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 375 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 728**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES FOR THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"God, thank you for the abundance that you have provided this state. Remind us daily that abundance without liberty will lead to both being lost. Thank you that we are currently enjoying both. I pray that we continue on this path. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, June 28, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Garrett, Senator Lazzara, and Senator Nickel.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the following bills are placed on today's calendar:

- **H.B. 236**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY.
- H.B. 375 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO.
- **S.B. 728**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES FOR THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the bill is placed at the beginning of today's calendar.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 728, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES FOR THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, upon second reading.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (46-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the bill will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 126 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Perry, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (0-46) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 208 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Galey, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (46-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 450 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS IN EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS, TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL NATIONALLY STANDARDIZED TESTS TO SATISFY NINTH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL WATER AND SEWER SERVICES TO CHARTER SCHOOLS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Lee, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill (0-46) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 474 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator McInnis, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (46-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 605 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (35-11) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 236, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 46, noes 0, as follows:

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Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---46.

Voting in the negative: None.

The bill remains on the calendar for Wednesday, June 30, upon third reading.

H.B. 375 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 45, noes 1, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Harrington, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---45.

Voting in the negative: Senator Hise---1.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Wednesday, June 30, upon third reading.

ENGROSSMENT REVERSED

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the order to engross **S.B. 728** is reversed, and the bill will be sent to the House of Representatives unengrossed.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Galey, the Senate adjourns at 4:34 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, June 30, at 9:30 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 173 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE LOCAL AUTHORITY FOR SCHOOL FACE COVERING DETERMINATIONS DURING THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on June 25.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on the calendar of Wednesday, June 30, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

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A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 67** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND SESSION LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 68, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE PROVISIONS THAT BROADLY CRIMINALIZE VIOLATIONS OF RULES OF CERTAIN LICENSING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, with a favorable report.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 383,** AN ACT TO REVISE THE HOSPITAL ASSESSMENT ACT TO ACCOUNT FOR MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 29, 2021 S.L. 2021-61)
- S.B. 594, AN ACT MODIFYING CERTAIN MEDICAID-RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE 2020 COVID-19 RECOVERY ACT, UPDATING THE MEDICAID PROGRAM BENEFICIARY APPEALS PROCESSES. INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF ALLOWABLE THERAPEUTIC LEAVE UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, CLARIFYING THE CODIFICATION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES COVERED BY STANDARD BENEFIT PLANS. **AUTHORIZING** COVERAGE **OPTIONS** BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR POPULATIONS NOT COVERED BY PREPAID HEALTH PLAN CONTRACTS, REVISING THE TRANSFER OF AREA AUTHORITY FUND BALANCES, REMOVING THE RATE FLOOR FOR DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, AND MAKING VARIOUS TECHNICAL **CORRECTIONS** TO THE **STATUTES** GOVERNING THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID PROGRAM. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, June 29, 2021 - S.L. 2021-62)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, June 30, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives June 28, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that H.B. 453 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROTECT AGAINST DISCRIMINATION OF HUMAN LIFE, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on June 25, 2021 and was returned to the House of Representatives with the attached veto message.

> Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Governor's objections and veto message can be found in the Addendum.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 324 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS AND TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

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The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Education/Higher Education Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Sawyer for the Transportation Committee:

H.B. 23 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWNS OF BANNER ELK AND SPENCER TO REGULATE UTILITY VEHICLES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 692, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO PASSENGER VEHICLES OPERATING ON HIGHWAYS OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30452, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Daniel for the Finance Committee:

H.B. 19 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 50, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CALYPSO, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 206 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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H.B. 159 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO EDUCATION LAWS, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 10517, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee**.

By Senator Alexander for the State and Local Government Committee:

H.B. 554, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE YEAR 2023 AS "NORTH CAROLINA YEAR OF THE TRAIL," with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Norman W. Sanderson, Senator from Pamlico County, as follows:

"I searched the world but it could not fill me; man's empty praise and treasures that fade are never enough. Then you came along and put me back together; every desire is now satisfied here in your love. You turn mourning into dancing; you give beauty for ashes; you turn shame into glory. You turn graves into armies; you turn seas into highways.'* You're the only one who can do this. There is nothing better than you. We praise your name, and it's in your name we pray, Jesus. Amen."

*By Brandon Lake, "Graves into Gardens" from House of Miracles

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, June 29, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Fitch and Senator Lazzara.

ENROLLED BILLS AND RESOLUTION

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 188,** AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE.
- **S.B. 208**, AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA.
- **S.B. 474,** AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT.
- **S.B. 605**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 728, AN ACT TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES FOR THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.J.R. 726, A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF DAVE RICHARD AS DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF HEALTH BENEFITS, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (Res. 2021-7)

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 236, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY, upon third reading.

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The bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 48, noes 0, as follows: Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---48.

Voting in the negative: None.

The bill is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 375 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO, upon third reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 47, noes 1, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---47.

Voting in the negative: Senator Hise---1.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 67 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND SESSION LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 68, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE PROVISIONS THAT BROADLY CRIMINALIZE VIOLATIONS OF RULES OF CERTAIN LICENSING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (48-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

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S.B. 173 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE LOCAL AUTHORITY FOR SCHOOL FACE COVERING DETERMINATIONS DURING THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Krawiec, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (0-48) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

SENATORIAL STATEMENTS

Senator Steinburg submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "RECOGNIZING MACK HOGGARD, WWII VETERAN."

Senator Alexander submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THOMAS SOWELL."

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 5:17 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, July 1, at 9:30 a.m.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 728, AN ACT TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES FOR THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. (Became law upon ratification, June 30, 2021 - S.L. 2021-63)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, July 1, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day you've given us. We pray that you'll give special blessings to our friend Senator Lazzara and his family today and as they go through this very difficult time. We pray that you'll help them, guide them, and be with them. Guide us here today, Father. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, June 30, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Ballard, the Senate adjourns at 9:34 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Friday, July 2, at 10:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Britt for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 711, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15315, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

July 1, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mark Robinson Lieutenant Governor 310 N. Blount Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601 Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §53C-2-2, I am pleased to nominate Ms. Katherine M.R. Bosken of Wake County to serve as the Commissioner of Banks to fill the vacancy following the retirement of Raymond E. Grace and hereby submit her name for confirmation by the General Assembly.

I am grateful for her willingness to serve in this important role for the State of North Carolina. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Phil Berger The Honorable Robert T. Reives II
The Honorable Tim Moore Ms. Sarah Holland

The Honorable Dan Blue Mr. James White

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 642, AN ACT PROHIBITING ORGAN TRANSPLANT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND HEALTH INSURERS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 1, 2021 - S.L. 2021-64)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Friday, July 2, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day, and we thank you for the rain—we've been needing a little bit of rain. Thank you for it, Lord. And we pray that you'll guide and direct us here today. Give us all safe trips home and a nice week next week. We thank you and praise you for all you do. In Jesus' name, Amen."

July 2, 2021

Senator Woodard announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, July 1, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- S.B. 197, AN ACT TO (I) REMOVE THE LOCATION REQUIREMENT FOR HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS TO ALIGN NORTH CAROLINA WITH ALL OTHER STATES RECOGNIZING HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS, (II) UPDATE THE DEFINITIONS OF "TERMS OF A TRUST" AND "TRUST INSTRUMENT" AND REVISE THE ARTICLE ON POWER HOLDERS OF TRUSTS, AND (III) CLARIFY THE TRUST EXCLUSION TO THE RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.
- H.B. 68, AN ACT TO ELIMINATE PROVISIONS THAT BROADLY CRIMINALIZE VIOLATIONS OF RULES OF CERTAIN LICENSING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 74,** AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TO INVEST EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS HELD IN TRUST IN ONE OR MORE OF THE TYPES OF SECURITIES OR OTHER INVESTMENTS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW FOR THE STATE TREASURER.
- **S.B. 294,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM.
- **H.B. 236,** AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY.

Upon motion of Senator Woodard, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 10:34 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, July 6, at 2:30 p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 619 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A SALES TAX EXEMPTION TO ABC PERMITTEES FOR PURCHASES OF EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY, SUPPLIES, AND INGREDIENTS USED TO MANUFACTURE CERTAIN TYPES OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 41 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITIES OF KINGS MOUNTAIN, LOWELL, AND SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, RAMSEUR, STANLEY, AND VASS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 196 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, (III) AMEND THE TAX FORECLOSURE STATUTES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, (IV) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, (V) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, AND (VI) TO DELAY THE REASSIGNMENT OF DISTRICT 36, BURKE, CALDWELL, AND CATAWBA COUNTIES, INTO TWO SEPARATE PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 198 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 74,** AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN TO INVEST EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS HELD IN TRUST IN ONE OR MORE OF THE TYPES OF SECURITIES OR OTHER INVESTMENTS AUTHORIZED BY STATE LAW FOR THE STATE TREASURER. (Became law upon ratification, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-65)
- **S.B. 294,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM. (Became law upon ratification, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-66)
- **H.B. 236,** AN ACT TO ANNEX TO ORANGE COUNTY CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY LOCATED IN CHATHAM COUNTY. (Became law upon ratification, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-67)
- **H.B. 238,** AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE POSSESSION OF CREDIT CARD SKIMMING DEVICES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-68)
- H.B. 272, AN ACT TO UPDATE THE CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION LAW TO ENSURE THAT YOUNG CHILDREN ARE NOT EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS LEAD IN DRINKING WATER. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-69)
- H.B. 629, AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS REGARDING THE CONDITIONS IN WHICH A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER MUST CONSULT WITH A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING A TARGETED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-70)
- **S.B. 644,** AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-71)
- S.B. 668, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EMPLOYING UNITS; TO ADDRESS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES WHEN THE FINAL EMPLOYER OF A MEMBER IS NOT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER FOR AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION CALCULATIONS AND TO ADJUST THE FORMULA FOR REDUCED RETIREMENTS WITH CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL

EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO PUT A LITIGATION PAUSE IN PLACE AND ESTABLISH A WORKGROUP THAT MAY REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND TO PROVIDE EARLY NOTIFICATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF PROPOSED FINANCING ARRANGEMENTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 - S.L. 2021-72)

- S.B. 323, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MONEYS DEPOSITED IN CERTAIN DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NUMBER 1 TO BE INVESTED THROUGH THE STATE TREASURER'S ANCILLARY GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANT INVESTMENT PROGRAM AND TO ADDRESS THE INVESTMENT OF FUNDS DEPOSITED IN THE SWAIN COUNTY SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-73)
- **S.B. 367,** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ACQUISITION OR CONSTRUCTION AND THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-74)
- H.B. 168, AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES RELATED TO CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LIABILITIES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (LGERS) AND THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TSERS); CLARIFYING WITHDRAWAL LIABILITIES UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; CLARIFYING AND STANDARDIZING THE DEFINITION OF "ACTUARIAL EQUIVALENT" UNDER LGERS AND TSERS; REQUIRING EMPLOYING UNITS TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES FOR SPECIAL SEPARATION BUYOUTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; GIVING THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE FEES UNDER CERTAIN PLANS; CLAWING BACK DISABILITY INCOME PLAN OVERPAYMENTS UNDER THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM; AND ADDRESSING SPECIAL RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS UPON THE DEATH OF THE DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 - S.L. 2021-75)
- H.B. 344, AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS WITH WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT MAY IMPOSE AND COLLECT SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEES AND TO PROVIDE THAT A WATER OR WASTEWATER PUBLIC UTILITY IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR INCOME TAXES DUE ON TAXABLE CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-76)

H.B. 734, AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; PROTECTING NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM THE UNLICENSED OPERATION OF MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES OR PROGRAMS PROVIDING SERVICES REQUIRING A LICENSE UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 122C OF THE GENERAL STATUTES; AND MODIFYING THE CONSUMER AND FAMILY ADVISORY COMMITTEES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 - S.L. 2021-77)

S.B. 605, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 2, 2021 - S.L. 2021-78)

Pursuant to Senator Woodard's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, July 6, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Alexander, as follows:

"Lord, we lift up this body to you now, and we pray that you attend to each and every member. We pray for all of those as they are on vacation and traveling and that you will grant them traveling mercies. I now lift up to you, Lord, Senator Lazzara and his family in this time of loss. While we all share in his mourning, we can rest assured that through faith in Jesus Christ we have assurance of life eternal. So, God, be close to this family, hold them tightly in your strong arms and grant them a double portion of your unfathomable, unending grace, both now, at this sorrowful time, and in the days of transition ahead. May your peace rest upon each who claim the name of Jesus Christ. And it's in this name that I pray. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Friday, July 2, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

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Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Alexander, the Senate adjourns at 2:32 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, July 8, at 10:00 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

A vetoed bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, was returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate, as follows:

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 116, "An Act to Withdraw From the Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) and the Mixed Earners Unemployment Compensation (MEUC) Agreement, to Appropriate to the Department of Health and Human Services the Sum of Two Hundred Fifty Million Dollars From the Child Care and Development Block Grant Under the American Rescue Plan Act, to Require Individuals to Respond to Employer Requests, and to Make Administrative Changes to the Unemployment Insurance Laws."

Unemployment is declining with more people getting vaccinated and into the workforce as North Carolina has strengthened work search requirements for those receiving benefits. The federal help that this bill cuts off will only last a few more weeks and it supplements North Carolina's state benefits, which are among the stingiest in the country. Prematurely stopping these benefits hurts our state by sending back money that could be injected into our economy with people using it for things like food and rent. I support strong efforts to make more quality childcare available and to provide businesses with funds for hiring bonuses and the bill falls short on both of these.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 2nd day of July 2021, at 1:18 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Senator Rabon orders the bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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NINETY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, July 8, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Jim Perry, Senator from Lenoir County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day you've given us. We pray that you'll keep everyone safe during this storm and give us traveling mercies home today. We thank you for all your love, and continue to be with Michael Lazzara and his family, Father. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, July 6, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Perry, the Senate adjourns at 11:06 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, July 12, at 4:00 p.m.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- H.B. 335, AN ACT TO REVISE REQUIREMENTS REGARDING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO A CHARTER SCHOOL TO INCENTIVIZE THE TIMELY TRANSFER OF FUNDS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 8, 2021 S.L. 2021-79)
- H.B. 602, AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO EXEMPT FINANCE, BUSINESS OFFICE, AND AUDITOR PROFESSIONALS FROM MOST PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN RESOURCES ACT; TO CONSOLIDATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN REPORTS; TO CODIFY CAPITAL PROJECT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS; AND TO PROVIDE THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA FLEXIBILITY TO ADDRESS BUDGETARY AND OTHER IMPACTS OF COVID-19 THROUGH EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVES, REDUCTION IN FORCE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE STATE HEALTH PLAN PREMIUM PAYMENTS FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES PLACED ON EMERGENCY TEMPORARY FURLOUGHS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 8, 2021 S.L. 2021-80)

- **S.B. 188,** AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR REGISTRATION OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND TO MODIFY THE NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 8, 2021 S.L. 2021-81)
- **S.B. 208,** AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 8, 2021 S.L. 2021-82)
- **S.B. 474,** AN ACT TO MAKE CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO THE SEPTAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY'S DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 8, 2021 S.L. 2021-83)
- H.B. 68, AN ACT TO ELIMINATE PROVISIONS THAT BROADLY CRIMINALIZE VIOLATIONS OF RULES OF CERTAIN LICENSING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 8, 2021 S.L. 2021-84)
- **S.B. 197**, AN ACT TO (I) REMOVE THE LOCATION REQUIREMENT FOR HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS TO ALIGN NORTH CAROLINA WITH ALL OTHER STATES RECOGNIZING HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS, (II) UPDATE THE DEFINITIONS OF "TERMS OF A TRUST" AND "TRUST INSTRUMENT" AND REVISE THE ARTICLE ON POWER HOLDERS OF TRUSTS, AND (III) CLARIFY THE TRUST EXCLUSION TO THE RULE AGAINST PERPETUITIES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 8, 2021 S.L. 2021-85)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, July 12, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

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Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us, another week you've given us. We don't take it lightly; every breath and every day you give us. We praise you for all that you do. Guide us here this week. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Perry announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, July 8, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Perry, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 4:01 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, July 13, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 103** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 297 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO OFFER REMOTE CONVERSION OF FULL PROVISIONAL LICENSES TO PERSONS DEPLOYED OUT-OF-STATE AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL DEFENSE TO DRIVING WITH AN EXPIRED LICENSE, AND WAIVING THE LATE FEE FOR RENEWING AN EXPIRED REGISTRATION FOR PERSONS DEPLOYED AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 404 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 522** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PROVISIONS REGULATING THE SERVICE AND RELEASE OF ALTERNATE JURORS, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 41 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITIES OF KINGS MOUNTAIN, LOWELL, AND SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, RAMSEUR, STANLEY, AND VASS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on July 2.

The House Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, July 13.

Pursuant to Senator Perry's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, July 13, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

H.B. 84 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on June 10 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill for H.B. 84 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Britt, Chair; Senator Sawyer, Senator Galey and Senator Clark as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

S.B. 126 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

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Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for S.B. 126 on June 29, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Perry, Chair; Senator Sawyer, Senator Lee and Senator Lowe as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

S.B. 173 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE LOCAL AUTHORITY FOR SCHOOL FACE COVERING DETERMINATIONS DURING THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for S.B. 173 on June 30, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Rabon, Chair; Senator Krawiec, Senator Ballard and Senator deViere as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

S.B. 450 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS IN EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS, TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL NATIONALLY STANDARDIZED TESTS TO SATISFY NINTH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL WATER AND SEWER SERVICES TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill for S.B. 450 on June 29, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Lee, Chair; Senator Ballard, Senator B. Jackson, Senator Barnes and Senator Davis as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 692 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO PASSENGER VEHICLES OPERATING ON HIGHWAYS OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on June 30.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 196 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, (III) AMEND THE TAX FORECLOSURE STATUTES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, (IV) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, (V) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, AND (VI) TO DELAY THE REASSIGNMENT OF DISTRICT 36, BURKE, CALDWELL, AND CATAWBA COUNTIES, INTO TWO SEPARATE PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on July 2.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, July 14, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2

S.B. 198 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on July 2.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, July 14, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 366** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 735, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A MINIMUM OF THREE COMPETITIVE BIDS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR CONTRACTS FOR DREDGING SERVICES IN THE STATE'S COASTAL WATERS TO ALLOW FOR THE COMPLETION OF DREDGING PROJECTS IN A MORE TIMELY AND COST-EFFICIENT MANNER, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

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Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day, and we thank you for your grace and mercy and love. We pray that you will touch everyone in this room. We know in a room this size with this many people, someone's hurting. We pray that you'll touch their hurting heart and soul. Help them today. Bless us as we move forward here. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, July 12, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Daniel, Senator Harrington, Senator Johnson, Senator Lowe, Senator Newton, Senator Rabon, Senator Robinson, Senator Salvador, and Senator Woodard.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

H.B. 103 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is withdrawn from today's calendar and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 41 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITIES OF KINGS MOUNTAIN, LOWELL, AND SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, RAMSEUR, STANLEY, AND VASS, for concurrence upon second reading.

Upon motion of Senator Alexander, the House Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 39, noes 1, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg and Waddell---39.

Voting in the negative: Senator Hise---1.

The House Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Wednesday, July 14, for concurrence upon third reading.

H.B. 297 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO OFFER REMOTE CONVERSION OF FULL PROVISIONAL LICENSES TO PERSONS DEPLOYED OUT-OF-STATE AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL DEFENSE TO DRIVING WITH AN EXPIRED LICENSE, AND WAIVING THE LATE FEE FOR RENEWING AN EXPIRED REGISTRATION FOR PERSONS DEPLOYED AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, upon second reading.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Bazemore.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 3 passes its second reading (40-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 404 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (40-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 522 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PROVISIONS REGULATING THE SERVICE AND RELEASE OF ALTERNATE JURORS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (40-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 4:27 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, July 14, at 9:30 a.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives July 13, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in S.B. 126 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (4th Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND

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COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Bell, Chair Representative D. Hall Representative Hurley and Representative Hunter

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives July 13, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 173 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE LOCAL AUTHORITY FOR SCHOOL FACE COVERING DETERMINATIONS DURING THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Willis, Chair Representative K. Baker Representative Torbett and Representative Willingham

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

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Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 450 House Committee Substitute (4th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS IN EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS, TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL NATIONALLY STANDARDIZED TESTS TO SATISFY NINTH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS, AND TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL WATER AND SEWER SERVICES TO CHARTER SCHOOLS, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Elmore, Chair Representative Torbett Representative Blackwell and Representative Clemmons

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives July 13, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 334 Senate Committee Substitute No. 2 (6th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Bradford, Chair Representative Szoka Representative Setzer

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Representative Wray Representative Kidwell and Representative Pickett

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

NINETY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, July 14, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **H.B. 67,** AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND SESSION LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.
- H.B. 297, AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO OFFER REMOTE CONVERSION OF FULL PROVISIONAL LICENSES TO PERSONS DEPLOYED OUT-OF-STATE AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL DEFENSE TO DRIVING WITH AN EXPIRED LICENSE, AND WAIVING THE LATE FEE FOR RENEWING AN EXPIRED REGISTRATION FOR PERSONS DEPLOYED AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 375, AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Perry, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 126** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S126-PCCS45449-RN-1.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Krawiec, Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Lord, you tell us in your word that where two or more are gathered, there you will be also. We know that you are never away from us unless we choose to move away from you. Help us to seek refuge in the shelter of your wings where we know we are secure and safe. Help us to be thankful for all things that you have blessed us with. When we are afraid, Lord, and we have chaos going on all around us, help us to remember that you are God, you are in control, and you mismanage absolutely nothing. If we could pull back the curtain and see what you see, we'd understand, but you have taught us to live by faith. Help us to maintain that faith, Lord. Hold us by our hand and lead us, and we know that you never take us to do anything without equipping us for the task. We know that the world doesn't always treat everyone fairly, but help us, Lord, to forgive and grow in grace. We thank you, Lord, for everything. We lift each member of this chamber up, and we just give you praise and glory. In Christ's name, Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, July 13, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Corbin, Senator Daniel, Senator Harrington, Senator Lowe, Senator Newton, Senator Robinson, and Senator Salvador.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 41 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITIES OF KINGS MOUNTAIN, LOWELL, AND SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, RAMSEUR, STANLEY, AND VASS, for concurrence upon third reading.

Upon motion of Senator Alexander, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill on its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 42, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Craven, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---42.

Voting in the negative: None.

The House Committee Substitute bill is ordered enrolled.

MOTIONS RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Conference Report for **S.B. 126** is placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

H.B. 366 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 735, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A MINIMUM OF THREE COMPETITIVE BIDS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR CONTRACTS FOR DREDGING SERVICES IN THE STATE'S COASTAL WATERS TO ALLOW FOR THE COMPLETION OF DREDGING PROJECTS IN A MORE TIMELY AND COST-EFFICIENT MANNER, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 196 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, (III) AMEND THE TAX FORECLOSURE STATUTES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, (IV) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, (V) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, AND (VI) TO DELAY THE REASSIGNMENT OF DISTRICT 36, BURKE, CALDWELL, AND CATAWBA COUNTIES, INTO TWO SEPARATE PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Galey, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (42-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 198 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Galey, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (42-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 126 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Perry, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (42-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

CONVEYANCE OF A BILL

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, **S.B. 126** will be sent to the Governor by special message upon the adoption of the Conference Report by the House of Representatives.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Barnes submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF PATRICK J. BLESSING."

July 14, 2021

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:33 p.m., in memory of Col. Patrick Joseph Blessing, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, July 15, at 9:30 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 244 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** on May 19.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the **State and Local Government Committee** and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 550, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY QUALIFICATIONS AND TESTING PROCEDURES FOR BAIL BONDSMEN AND RUNNERS AND TO MODIFY VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATED TO BAIL BOND FORFEITURES AND BAIL BOND SURETIES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 273 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM PROPERTY TAX THE INCREASE IN VALUE OF PROPERTY DUE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TOWNHOUSES HELD FOR SALE BY A BUILDER, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 489 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE VARIOUS BUILDING CODE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY REFORMS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 11.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 165 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Transportation** Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and** Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 650 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MULTIPLE CHANGES TO MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Transportation** Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary** Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and** Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 375, AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, AND RAMSEUR AND REMOVING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ROXBORO. (Became law upon ratification, July 14, 2021 - S.L. 2021-86)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDREDTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, July 15, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day, and we thank you for your love and grace and mercy. Thank you so much for everything that you do for us every day. Give us traveling mercies today, and for the rest of this session, be with us and guide and direct us, Father. In Jesus' name, Amen."

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Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, July 14, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, July 19, at 4:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives July 14, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **S.B. 126 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to the Senate having adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 126 on Wednesday, July 14, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor by special message.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 126,** AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.
- **S.B. 196,** AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN

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PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, (III) AMEND THE TAX FORECLOSURE STATUTES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, (IV) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, (V) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, AND (VI) TO DELAY THE REASSIGNMENT OF DISTRICT 36, BURKE, CALDWELL, AND CATAWBA COUNTIES, INTO TWO SEPARATE PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICTS.

- S.B. 198, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.
- H.B. 735, AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A MINIMUM OF THREE COMPETITIVE BIDS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR CONTRACTS FOR DREDGING SERVICES IN THE STATE'S COASTAL WATERS TO ALLOW FOR THE COMPLETION OF DREDGING PROJECTS IN A MORE TIMELY AND COST-EFFICIENT MANNER.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 41, AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITIES OF KINGS MOUNTAIN, LOWELL, AND SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, RAMSEUR, STANLEY, AND VASS.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

A bill filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Berger, Ballard (Primary Sponsors); Alexander, Burgin, Ford, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, McInnis, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Sawyer and Steinburg:

S.B. 729, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROHIBIT CONSIDERATION OF RACE, SEX, COLOR, ETHNICITY, OR NATIONAL ORIGIN IN PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, PUBLIC CONTRACTING, AND PUBLIC EDUCATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives July 15, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 404 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Warren, Chair Representative Stevens and Representative Zachary

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

H.B. 404 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on July 15 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill for H.B. 404 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Sanderson, Chair; Senator Newton and Senator Davis as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 150 (House Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO ESTABLISH OFFICE HOURS FOR THE REGISTERS OF DEEDS IN CLEVELAND COUNTY; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE: AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 3.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 3 is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, July 21.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 91 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, referred to the Health Care Committee on June 14, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is withdrawn from the **Health Care Committee** and re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 78 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE ANNUAL REPORTING ON PARTICIPATION ON COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSES AND COURSE OF STUDY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on February 24.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 352 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT OCCUPANTS OF ACCOMMODATIONS PROVIDED BY HOTELS, MOTELS, OR SIMILAR LODGINGS DO NOT CREATE A TENANCY AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO CHAPTER 42 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO CLARIFY THAT THESE OCCUPANCIES ARE GOVERNED BY THE STATUTES RELATING TO INNS, HOTELS, AND OTHER TRANSIENT OCCUPANCIES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 15.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 729 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CHARTER SCHOOLS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 878 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF ARE GOVERNED BY BOARDS OF TRUSTEES AND FUNCTION SIMILARLY TO LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 41, AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITIES OF KINGS MOUNTAIN, LOWELL, AND SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, RAMSEUR, STANLEY, AND VASS. (Became law upon ratification, July 15, 2021 - S.L. 2021-87)

Pursuant to Se	enator	Jarvis'	s motion	to	adjourn	having	prevailed,	the	Senate
stands adjourned.					-				

ONE HUNDRED FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, July 19, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. Thank you for the rain that we've needed over most of our state. Thank you for blessing us with that and giving us safe journeys here. We pray that you'll bless everything that we say and do today and this week. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, July 15, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Ballard, the Senate adjourns at 4:07 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, July 20, at 1:00 p.m.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 522, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PROVISIONS REGULATING THE SERVICE AND RELEASE OF ALTERNATE JURORS.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 71 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT LIVING DONORS FROM POTENTIAL INSURANCE DISCRIMINATION, TO PROVIDE AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR UNREIMBURSED MEDICAL EXPENSES RESULTING FROM CERTAIN ORGAN AND MARROW DONATIONS, AND TO PROVIDE UP TO THIRTY DAYS' PAID LEAVE TO STATE EMPLOYEES AND OTHER STATE-SUPPORTED PERSONNEL WHO SERVE AS LIVING ORGAN DONORS AND UP TO SEVEN DAYS' PAID LEAVE FOR BONE MARROW DONORS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 951 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODERNIZE NORTH CAROLINA'S GENERATION AND GRID RESOURCES AND RATE MAKING AND TO INVEST IN CRITICAL ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE BENEFIT OF CUSTOMERS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 122 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE AND FROM THE TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, July 21.

S.B. 146 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY, TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, TO ALLOW CERTAIN DENTAL HYGIENISTS GREATER FLEXIBILITY TO PRACTICE WITHOUT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, TO ALLOW LICENSURE BY CREDENTIAL FOR CERTAIN INSTRUCTORS, AND TO ENABLE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ECU SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE TO SERVE ON THE NC CARING DENTAL PROFESSIONALS BOARD, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, July 21.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, July 20, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us and another great week. We thank you for the rain in many parts of our state, and we thank you for the farmers that work so hard. Bless all of them. Bless our law enforcement, Lord, as we see there's another big chase on I-85 today. Protect them, and keep them from all harm, Father. We thank you for all that you do. In Jesus' name, Amen."

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Senator Ballard announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, July 19, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon her motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ballard, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 1:06 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, July 21, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 19** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 50**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CALYPSO, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of bills as follows:

H.B. 96 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO ORDER, DISPENSE, DELIVER, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS, referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee on June 16.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Commerce and Insurance Committee and re-referred to the Health Care Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 366 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on July 14.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on the calendar of Wednesday, July 21.

Pursuant to Senator Ballard's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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ONE HUNDRED THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, July 21, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 415 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE VARIOUS LAWS OF THE PRACTICE AND LICENSURE OF CHIROPRACTIC, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Health Care Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Judiciary Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Newton for the Finance Committee:

S.B. 711 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 35316, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee**.

H.B. 273 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM PROPERTY TAX THE INCREASE IN VALUE OF PROPERTY DUE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TOWNHOUSES HELD FOR SALE BY A BUILDER, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30454, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Krawiec for the Health Care Committee:

H.B. 96 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO ORDER, DISPENSE, DELIVER, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 10519, which changes the title to read **H.B. 96** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE, DELIVER, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS AND TO REQUIRE PARENTAL CONSENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES UNDER AN EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION TO A MINOR, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.J.R. 971, A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF MELANIE WADE GOODWIN, FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Paul Newton, Senator from Cabarrus County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we thank you so much for the honor, the privilege, and the opportunity to be here to serve others. You and your Son gave us the template about how to serve. Let us never forget that your Son came to serve us through the ultimate sacrifice. What we do here is so, so easy compared to the sacrifice he made for us. Help us to have a servant's heart, to serve others with joy and gladness. We just love you, and we thank you for being the bedrock upon which we can do great things for other people. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, July 20, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Corbin, Senator Marcus, and Senator Mayfield.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

H.J.R. 971, A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF MELANIE WADE GOODWIN, FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Joint Resolution is placed on today's calendar for immediate consideration.

CALENDAR

Bills and a resolution on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.J.R. 971, A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF MELANIE WADE GOODWIN, FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, upon second reading.

Upon motion of Senator Woodard, the words spoken on H.J.R. 971 are spread upon the Journal as follows:

SENATOR BLUE: "Thank you, Mr. President and ladies and gentlemen of the Senate. I'm honored to stand on the Senate floor and do this memorializing resolution for Melanie Goodwin. I guess I might be the only member that was here who served in the House with her-the only member of the Senate who served in the House with Melanie. But, as I think about us memorializing her today, tomorrow would be her 51st birthday. A very young woman, who, I think, the best way to describe her-and I would commend the resolution to you, I'm not going to read it to you—but the best way to describe Melanie is somebody who was absolutely and one hundred percent committed to her family, with a very deep faith—a member of Edenton Street Methodist Church a couple blocks from here when she moved back to Raleigh—but also totally committed to public service, given the many things she did during her very brief lifetime. As I said, Melanie was a product of Wake County public schools-Raleigh, Sanderson High—and grew up here in Raleigh. And after a while, she went to law school and decided to relocate down to the Rockingham-Hamlet area in Richmond County and started her law practice down there, Senator McInnis, as you know. But shortly after starting her law practice down in Richmond County, her husband left the legislature, and Melanie took his position in the House. And she came in

the House—didn't require a lot of tutoring or anything, but just a quick study learned the process, got herself involved in Judiciary Committee matters and other things. She was an expert in family law, but an expert in other things. Once Melanie got over to the House, she dived in with all feet and hands and all of the energy that she had. But the thing that shows her real commitment is that she had her first baby while serving as a member of the House, and a special room was set up for her nursery on the premises, and she did not miss a beat in doing the stuff that she really loved to do. Again, practicing law serving in the General Assembly, especially when you're practicing more than fifty miles from Raleigh, is not an easy task, especially if you're in and out of the courts, and that's what you do if you're dealing in family law, domestic law. You're in and out of the courts, and your clients are calling you at all times. The time of day has no bearing on their feeling that their lawyer ought to tell them what to do, especially when there are additional difficulties in the marital relationship. But she was always on the spot ready to go and always on time doing her duties over in the House and always on time committed to her children. Melanie left the legislature to become, eventually, the Chief Deputy of the Industrial Commission, and did an excellent job doing that over a six- or eight-year period. I point out again that being able to raise, and raise very proudly, two young children, serving in the General Assembly, being a wife, being a practicing lawyer is not easy. And if you look at two of those things I named, they always involve public service. In the General Assembly and on the Industrial Commission, looking out for the interest of the working people of the state. She was a gentle person, a very bright person, and a loving person, and someone who, I think, this state can be so proud of that in her short lifetime she contributed so much. She was a delegate to the U.N. Women's Commission over in China in 1995, advocating full time for opportunities and equality for women, and showing how you do that in the life that she lived. Ladies and gentlemen, I urge you to support this resolution, and for those of you who did not know Melanie individually, I would urge you to read this resolution and learn a lot about her because she is the kind of person that you can hold up to your children and grandchildren as somebody who exemplifies the best qualities that North Carolina has to offer, somebody who exemplified them with a deep and abiding faith in her Christian beliefs, and somebody who lived the kind of life that we think personifies what an ideal North Carolinian ought to be. So I urge your support of this resolution. And, Mr. President, at the appropriate time, I would ask the Chair to recognize Melanie's family. They are up in the—on my left, in the front part of the gallery."

The Joint Resolution passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 19 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 45, noes 1, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---45.

Voting in the negative: Senator Hise---1.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Thursday, July 22, upon third reading.

H.B. 50, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CALYPSO, upon second reading.

Senator B. Jackson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (46-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 46, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---46.

Voting in the negative: None.

The bill, as amended, remains on the calendar for Thursday, July 22, upon third reading.

S.B. 122 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE AND FROM THE TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE, for concurrence upon second reading.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 45, noes 1, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Craven, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---45.

Voting in the negative: Senator Daniel---1.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 remains on the calendar for Thursday, July 22, for concurrence upon third reading.

S.B. 150 (House Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN

BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO ESTABLISH OFFICE HOURS FOR THE REGISTERS OF DEEDS IN CLEVELAND COUNTY; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 3.

Upon motion of Senator Daniel, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 3 (0-46) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

H.B. 366 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, upon second reading.

Senator Sanderson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (45-1).

Senator Johnson offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (46-0).

Senator Hise offers Amendment No. 3, which is adopted (46-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Senate Committee Substitute bill will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 146 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY, TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, TO ALLOW CERTAIN DENTAL HYGIENISTS GREATER FLEXIBILITY TO PRACTICE WITHOUT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, TO ALLOW LICENSURE BY CREDENTIAL FOR CERTAIN INSTRUCTORS, AND TO ENABLE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ECU SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE TO SERVE ON THE NC CARING DENTAL PROFESSIONALS BOARD, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Perry, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (46-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:47 p.m., in memory of former House of Representatives member Melanie Wade Goodwin, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, July 22, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 23** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWNS OF BANNER ELK AND SPENCER TO REGULATE UTILITY VEHICLES, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 132** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE REVISIONS TO THE JUVENILE CODE PURSUANT TO RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 312** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE OR APPOINTEE FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF TO DISCLOSE ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS, INCLUDING ANY EXPUNGED CONVICTIONS, with a favorable report.

By Senator Lee for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

H.B. 91 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY REGULATORY CONSTRAINTS FOR APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40648, which changes the title to read **H.B. 91** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, July 22, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

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Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Perry for the Health Care Committee:

H.B. 351 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH VISITATION PROTOCOLS FOR NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, HOSPICE CARE FACILITIES, AND ADULT CARE HOMES, INCLUDING FAMILY CARE HOMES, DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND REQUIRING THESE FACILITIES TO ADHERE TO THE ESTABLISHED VISITATION PROTOCOLS DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES WHEN NORMAL VISITATION POLICIES ARE SUSPENDED OR CURTAILED, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10520, which changes the title to read **H.B. 351** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES, PROTECTING THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS BY PRESERVING THEIR RIGHT TO RECEIVE VISITS BY CLERGY MEMBERS DURING HOSPITAL STAYS THAT OCCUR DURING A DECLARED DISASTER OR EMERGENCY, AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

By Senator Daniel for the Finance Committee:

H.B. 91 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 30458, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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By Senator Johnson for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 96 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE, DELIVER, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS AND TO REQUIRE PARENTAL CONSENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES UNDER AN EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION TO A MINOR, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Lord, I thank you for the military that have served this state and this country and for all the men and women that currently serve. Lord, we owe them special honor and recognition in our prayers. Thank you for those that served. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, July 21, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Batch, Senator Bazemore, Senator Chaudhuri, Senator Corbin, Senator Edwards, Senator Garrett, Senator Marcus, Senator Mayfield, and Senator Salvador.

ENROLLED BILL AND RESOLUTION

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 146, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY, TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, TO ALLOW CERTAIN DENTAL HYGIENISTS GREATER FLEXIBILITY TO PRACTICE WITHOUT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, TO ALLOW LICENSURE BY CREDENTIAL FOR CERTAIN INSTRUCTORS, AND TO ENABLE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ECU SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE TO SERVE ON THE NC CARING DENTAL PROFESSIONALS BOARD.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.J.R. 971, A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF MELANIE WADE GOODWIN, FORMER MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. (Res. 2021-8)

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator B. Jackson, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **H.B. 73** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DELAY THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO EXTEND THE DEFERRAL FOR CERTAIN DEFERRED PERMIT FEES, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H73-PCCS30457-SA-4.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, **H.B. 73** (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFER CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO FURTHER DEFER PREVIOUSLY DEFERRED PERMIT FEES.

The Conference Report is placed on the end of today's calendar, for adoption.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 19 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES, upon third reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 39, noes 2, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Harrington, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---39.

Voting in the negative: Senators Hise and Perry---2.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 50, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CALYPSO, as amended, upon third reading.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 41, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---41.

Voting in the negative: None.

The bill, as amended, is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1.

H.B. 23 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWNS OF BANNER ELK AND SPENCER TO REGULATE UTILITY VEHICLES, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 122 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE AND FROM THE TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE, for concurrence upon third reading.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 on its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 41, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---41.

Voting in the negative: None.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 132 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE REVISIONS TO THE JUVENILE CODE PURSUANT TO RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (41-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 312 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE OR APPOINTEE FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF TO DISCLOSE ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS, INCLUDING ANY EXPUNGED CONVICTIONS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (31-10) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 73 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFER CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO FURTHER DEFER PREVIOUSLY DEFERRED PERMIT FEES, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (41-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Daniel, the Senate adjourns at 12:51 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, July 26, at 4:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

S.B. 150 (House Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO ESTABLISH OFFICE HOURS FOR THE REGISTERS OF DEEDS IN CLEVELAND COUNTY; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 3 for S.B. 150 on July 21, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Daniel, Chair; Senator Alexander, Senator Jarvis and Senator Fitch as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 141 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE LOCAL SAWMILLS BY ALLOWING THE USE OF UNGRADED LUMBER IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 15.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 230, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE "NC MANAGING ENVIRONMENTAL WASTE ACT OF 2021" TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF PLASTICS WASTE BY, AMONG OTHER MEASURES, INCREASING REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO CITIES AND COUNTIES WITH PROGRAMS TO REDUCE PLASTICS WASTE, ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO REDUCE PLASTICS WASTE AT STATE-OPERATED FOOD SERVICE FACILITIES, AND DIRECTING THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES TO STUDY THE ISSUE OF PLASTICS WASTE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 26.

The bill is re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 294 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING DEALERS TO SELL USED VEHICLES ISSUED A SALVAGE CERTIFICATION WITHOUT CONDUCTING A SAFETY INSPECTION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 29.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 890 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION LAWS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives July 22, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in S.B. 150 House Committee Substitute No. 3 (5th Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO ESTABLISH OFFICE HOURS FOR THE REGISTERS OF DEEDS IN CLEVELAND COUNTY; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore will serve as the conferee on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

> Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 67,** AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND SESSION LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 22, 2021 S.L. 2021-88)
- H.B. 297, AN ACT DIRECTING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO OFFER REMOTE CONVERSION OF FULL PROVISIONAL LICENSES TO PERSONS DEPLOYED OUT-OF-STATE AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES, PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL DEFENSE TO DRIVING WITH AN EXPIRED LICENSE, AND WAIVING THE LATE FEE FOR RENEWING AN EXPIRED REGISTRATION FOR PERSONS DEPLOYED AS MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 22, 2021 S.L. 2021-89)

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- **S.B. 126,** AN ACT TO ABOLISH OBSOLETE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NO LONGER FUNCTIONAL AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 22, 2021 S.L. 2021-90)
- S.B. 196, AN ACT TO (I) UPDATE THE MAILING METHOD OF NOTICE TO A JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF AN EXECUTION SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, (II) CLARIFY THE EFFECTS OF A DEFAULT BID IN PRIVATE JUDICIAL SALES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PARTITION SALES, (III) AMEND THE TAX FORECLOSURE STATUTES AND MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, (IV) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING THE VALIDITY OF NOTARIAL ACTS, (V) MAKE AMENDMENTS AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, AND (VI) TO DELAY THE REASSIGNMENT OF DISTRICT 36, BURKE, CALDWELL, AND CATAWBA COUNTIES, INTO TWO SEPARATE PROSECUTORIAL DISTRICTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 22, 2021 S.L. 2021-91)
- H.B. 735, AN ACT PROVIDING THAT A MINIMUM OF THREE COMPETITIVE BIDS SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR CONTRACTS FOR DREDGING SERVICES IN THE STATE'S COASTAL WATERS TO ALLOW FOR THE COMPLETION OF DREDGING PROJECTS IN A MORE TIMELY AND COST-EFFICIENT MANNER. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 22, 2021 S.L. 2021-92)
- S.B. 198, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A SETTLEMENT AGENT MAY DISBURSE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS IN RELIANCE ON A CHECK DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF OR ISSUED BY A LICENSED MORTGAGE LENDER, TO MAKE AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMERCIAL RECEIVERSHIP ACT, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS LAWS REGULATING FINANCIAL PRACTICES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 22, 2021 S.L. 2021-93)
- **H.B. 522,** AN ACT TO MODIFY THE PROVISIONS REGULATING THE SERVICE AND RELEASE OF ALTERNATE JURORS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 22, 2021 S.L. 2021-94)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

July 22, 2021

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, July 26, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ballard, as follows:

"Dear gracious heavenly Father, we are so thankful for another day. We are thankful for the safety and protection you have provided over the weekend and for our many law enforcement families and folks who just continue to serve our communities in big and small ways. We appreciate your continued faithfulness to each and every single one of us. We are thankful for who you are, for your generosity and forgiveness and love. And may we just continue to share that, one with another. Keep our colleagues who aren't present today safe, and keep them knowledgeable and discerning of your will and your way. We ask all this in the strong name of Jesus. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, July 22, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Ballard, the Senate adjourns at 4:06 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, July 29, at 10:00 a.m.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 132, AN ACT TO MAKE REVISIONS TO THE JUVENILE CODE PURSUANT TO RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 122,** AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE AND FROM THE TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE.
- **H.B. 23**, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWNS OF BANNER ELK AND SPENCER TO REGULATE UTILITY VEHICLES.

July 26, 2021

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.J.R. 730, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING KATHERINE M.R. BOSKEN AS COMMISSIONER OF BANKS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a resolution as follows:

S.J.R. 730, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING KATHERINE M.R. BOSKEN AS COMMISSIONER OF BANKS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on July 26.

The Joint Resolution is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Select Committee on Nominations.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 146,** AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF TELEDENTISTRY, TO AUTHORIZE PROPERLY TRAINED DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO ADMINISTER LOCAL DENTAL ANESTHETICS UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, TO ALLOW CERTAIN DENTAL HYGIENISTS GREATER FLEXIBILITY TO PRACTICE WITHOUT SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST, TO ALLOW LICENSURE BY CREDENTIAL FOR CERTAIN INSTRUCTORS, AND TO ENABLE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ECU SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE TO SERVE ON THE NC CARING DENTAL PROFESSIONALS BOARD. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, July 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-95)
- **S.B. 122**, AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SPRUCE PINE AND FROM THE TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE. (Became law upon ratification, July 26, 2021 S.L. 2021-96)
- **H.B. 23**, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWNS OF BANNER ELK AND SPENCER TO REGULATE UTILITY VEHICLES. (Became law upon ratification, July 26, 2021 S.L. 2021-97)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, July 29, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day you've given us. And we pray that we'll use it to bring honor and glory to you. Give us traveling mercies home. We thank you for everything. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, July 26, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 10:01 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, August 2, at 4:00 p.m.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 50, AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CALYPSO.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 791 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND ENTER INTO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE PRACTICE OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO ASSIST WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 50, AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF CALYPSO. (Became law upon ratification, July 29, 2021 - S.L. 2021-98)

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, August 2, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day that you've given us. We don't take it lightly. We pray that you'll be with Frances' family, and help her and everyone in that family. Help those, for we know they miss her, and guide and direct them as they move forward in life without her. God, we thank you for all that you do for us, and thank you for your love. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Woodard announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, July 29, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Woodard, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 4:03 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, August 3, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 96 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE, DELIVER, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS AND TO REQUIRE PARENTAL CONSENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES UNDER AN EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION TO A MINOR, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 683, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ADOPT RULES CONCERNING PREHOSPITAL STROKE PROTOCOLS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 181 (Committee Substitute No. 4), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on June 24.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 4 is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 616 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN BARRIERS RELATED TO FAST-TRACK REPLICATION OF HIGH-QUALITY CHARTER SCHOOLS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 29.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 951 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODERNIZE NORTH CAROLINA'S GENERATION AND GRID RESOURCES AND RATE MAKING AND TO INVEST IN CRITICAL ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE BENEFIT OF CUSTOMERS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on July 19.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Woodard's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

August 2, 2021

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, August 3, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL

A bill filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Davis:

S.B. 731, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE THE EMERGENCY ELECTION FUND AND TO REQUIRE THAT ALL PRIVATE MONETARY DONATIONS FOR THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, AND BOARDS OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BE MAINTAINED AND DISBURSED BY THE EMERGENCY ELECTION AUTHORITY.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Edwards for the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment** Committee:

H.B. 489 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE VARIOUS BUILDING CODE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY REFORMS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 206 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD, with a favorable report.

H.B. 244 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, with a favorable report.

H.B. 461, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFYING AND TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE STATE AUDITOR STATUTES, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Members and guests, every time I walk onto the floor of this Senate, I am in awe. But today I entered with a heavy heart because we are missing someone I have grown to love. The sudden unexpected passing of Frances Patterson shocked us all. Her presence made an impact and her absence will surely make a difference. She made the Senate and this chamber a better place. Join me as we pray. Our most gracious heavenly Father, I want to thank you for sharing Frances with us. Her warm smiles, her great hugs, and her schoolteacher charm made her one of your special blessings to others. Be with all of us that will miss her, but especially her husband, Kevin; her son, Will; her extended family; and her Sergeant-at-Arms family. I know we always wonder those same questions when something like this happens, and I know one day you'll reveal clearly all of the answers, but for now we trust you and your love and your loving will for our lives. Last Thursday, I am sure Frances was greeted at heaven's door with a warm smile, a great hug, and those words that every Christian wants to hear, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant.' Amen."

Upon motion of Senator Berger, the Senate observes a moment of silence in memory of Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Frances Patterson.

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, August 2, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Alexander, Senator Bazemore, Senator Chaudhuri, Senator deViere, Senator Murdock, Senator Nickel, Senator Sawyer, and Senator Woodard.

CALENDAR

A bill on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 96 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE, DELIVER, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS AND TO REQUIRE PARENTAL CONSENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES UNDER AN EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION TO A MINOR, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

POINTS OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Upon motion of Senator Berger, all words spoken today in memory of Frances Patterson are spread upon the Journal.

SENATOR DAVIS: "Mr. President and members, today I rise to give honor to Frances Patterson. I am uncertain how the Sergeant-at-Arms actually go about assigning who works which doors, but I can tell you for certain that Frances was the right person for this door. This door, as all of us know, is perhaps the busiest door to enter into the chamber. Frances was just a beautiful person. She had an incredible personality and spirit about her, and she would always greet us with a smile. She would take care of us, and she would even share compliments and many words of encouragement along the way. I remember so many conversations that I personally had with Frances going in and coming out of the chamber. And as much as I want to claim that she was my Frances, I really know that she was our Frances. I would talk so often to Frances, and not too long after Senator Fitch had come, I started feeling that I wasn't getting my attention with Frances, and I remember one time going to Frances and said, 'Frances are you leaving me for Senator Fitch?' Senator Fitch, she never answered that question of mine to this day. She truly was a ball of joy. I also remember coming into the chamber late, Madame Clerk, and I know we have a designated person/member to do the prayer of the day, and I would come late, the doors are locked, and Frances would be on the other side, and I would say, 'Frances, I guess I'm doing our prayer today.' We just had so many great encounters. We did have a love/hate relationship, though, because I, as you know, am just die-hard East Carolina Pirates all the way; but, equally, Frances was die-hard North Carolina State Wolfpack all the way. Sometimes I would just come to the door, and we didn't really even talk as I was coming through, and she would just throw up her sign, and I knew what that meant. I would come and I would take my Pirate hook and wrap under her arm and say, 'Aaargh, go Pirates!' and she would say, 'Go Wolfpack!' So many moments together here, even one moment that I came into the chamber, and she had her way, she had her way. I came in and she stopped me and she looked at me in the eye and she said, 'Senator, where's your smile?' I don't know if I had something on my mind, but that was her subtle way of saying that it's going to be okay. Well, indeed we are going to miss Frances, and although I was even contemplating, do you come in this door today, and someone said 'Oh, you know

Frances would want you to come in.' We may not physically see her at this entryway, but I am going to hold on to the words and encourage us all to keep on smiling. That's what she did to me. And while I may not totally understand, Bob, how you make the assignments for our Sergeant-at-Arms, I know, based on conversations that I had with Frances, I know from these conversations that as I try to make sense of all of this—just think about it—you leave, you assume we'll just see you when we return. But in trying to make sense of all of this, the only thing I can conclude is however we make our assignments here on this earth, it was time for Frances to take on another assignment. When I think about the entryway into this chamber—as beautiful as the doors are here—perhaps today, perhaps, she is standing at some doors that are far more beautiful than we can imagine. So, I just want to pause today and say to Kevin-because I did have a chance to talk to Kevin, and he said please just don't forget her. That was his word to encourage everyone not to forget. I say to Kevin, we will not. And to Will and the family, we extend our condolences. And to our Sergeant-at-Arms family, we want to look at you and let you know today how deeply we care about you. Thank you for being a part of our Senate family. And I end today by saying to Frances— Godspeed and 'Go Wolfpack.""

SENATOR GALEY: "First, I'd like to deeply thank Senator Davis for that very moving tribute. I think that you have expressed so well what so many of us are thinking. So, thank you very, very much for what you said."

SENATOR BALLARD: "Senator Davis, thank you for those words as well. And I think I just kind of want to take a minute to echo those words and really just kind of talk to our friends, our Sergeant-at-Arms, in the room today and just remind them we grieve with you. We know that she was a part of your family, but all of you are a part of our Senate family. So, I want you to understand how much we are—how grateful we are for your service. You love on us and you take such good care of us each and every day—and there's quite a few dynamic personalities in this chamber, so you have your hands full. But again, I just want to just, Bob, just thank you for your leadership and how you lead the team as well. But I really just wanted to remind everyone that we are in this with you and we loved Miss Frances. I mean, she lived a life of superlatives, I think, in my book. I mean, she was the best smile, and she was the most likely one to sort of needle me and poke me and just encourage me and say, 'Go get 'em girl!' You know, she was really the one that was always with me to get the-she always knew where to find the crushed ice, you know, it's just the little things. But I do just want to take a minute to honor her and her service, but at the same time just reminding our family that we are with you in this too. Thank you."

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR: "I'm going to take this moment, as well, to say thank you to all the Sergeant-at-Arms, the folks here, and to express my condolences to her family. I wasn't aware of her loss until just recently, but it's been a pretty tough day, finding out about her passing, and for those of you who may not know, I'm sure all of you probably do know, we had a member of the House who passed last night, Representative Jerry Carter. Jerry Carter was a good

friend of mine. It's been very tough today. All of you all that know him, or if you don't know him, please say a prayer for his family. His loss—although he was ill, his loss was sudden and unexpected. So, his wife and his family are going to have some tough days coming up. Please keep them in prayer. It's been a tough couple of days across the state. We also lost a sheriff. A sheriff from Jones County also died unexpectedly. This has been a very tough day for me, personally, and I knew all these folks, so let's just keep each other in prayer and take this moment. As I sat in the Council of State meeting this morning, I was sitting right beside Governor Cooper, and you all know we have our differences, but I was looking at Governor Cooper, and I was thinking, you know, just because I have political differences with him, I need to keep him in my prayers always. We need to keep each other in our prayers, because you never know when the last time is you're gonna see somebody. Let's take this moment to reflect and remember and keep each other in prayer and love each other. Thank y'all."

SENATOR BERGER: "I don't know that I can say anything further about Frances, but I do believe that the remarks that we've heard today just touch on how important the relationships are that we have developed almost automatically, that we go about our lives and go about our activities on a daily basis, and sometimes you don't fully appreciate how important some of those interactions are until they are no more. So, Senator Davis, your remarks today are some of the finest remarks I've heard on the floor of this chamber in the 21 years that I've been here. So, thank you for doing that. And Mr. President, I would move that all of the remarks that have been made in memory of Frances Patterson be spread upon the Journal."

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 4:45 p.m., in memory of Frances Patterson, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, August 4, at 9:30 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 688, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE SPORTS WAGERING IN NORTH CAROLINA, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 8.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Judiciary Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

August 3, 2021

ONE HUNDRED NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, August 4, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 711 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT, referred to the **Health Care Committee** on July 21.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is withdrawn from the **Health Care Committee** and re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Burgin for the **Health Care Committee**:

H.B. 415 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE VARIOUS LAWS OF THE PRACTICE AND LICENSURE OF CHIROPRACTIC, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10521, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

By Senator Ballard for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

H.B. 78 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE ANNUAL REPORTING ON PARTICIPATION ON COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSES AND COURSE OF STUDY, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

August 4, 2021

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10522, which changes the title to read **H.B. 78** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL NATIONALLY STANDARDIZED TESTS TO SATISFY NINTH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO MAKE CHANGES FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR VETERANS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 729 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CHARTER SCHOOLS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40649, which changes the title to read **H.B. 729** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ALL GOVERNING BOARDS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO REQUEST RESIDENCY LICENSES AND TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD AND CREATE A STAGGER FOR THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the Transportation Committee:

H.B. 365 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES FOR AIRPORT FACILITIES AND PREMISES GOVERNED BY THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10523, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 489 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE VARIOUS BUILDING CODE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY REFORMS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40651, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 121 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DREDGING PROJECTS FOR FERRY CHANNELS FROM SHALLOW DRAFT NAVIGATION CHANNEL DREDGING AND AQUATIC WEED FUND COST-SHARE REQUIREMENTS, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 40650, which changes the title to read **H.B. 121** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DREDGING PROJECTS FOR FERRY CHANNELS FROM SHALLOW DRAFT NAVIGATION CHANNEL DREDGING AND AQUATIC WEED FUND COSTSHARE REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXTEND THE HATTERAS-OCRACOKE PASSENGER FERRY LEASE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. We thank you for your love and mercy. We pray that you will continue to be with these families that have lost loved ones in the last week, and comfort them and help them through this time. Guide and direct us here today. We ask all this in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, August 3, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Chaudhuri, Senator Clark, Senator Nickel, and Senator Sawyer.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 206 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD, upon second reading.

August 4, 2021

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, aves 45, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---45.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Thursday, August 5, upon third reading.

H.B. 244 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 461, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFYING AND TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE STATE AUDITOR STATUTES, upon second reading.

Senator Hise offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (45-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (44-1) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1.

WITHDRAWAL FROM A FUTURE CALENDAR

H.B. 206 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the calendar of Thursday, August 5, and placed on the calendar of Monday, August 9.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Alexander, the Senate adjourns at 4:30 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, August 5, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Finance Committee:

S.B. 688, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE SPORTS WAGERING IN NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15319, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED TENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, August 5, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Warren Daniel, Senator from Burke County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day that you've given us, another day full of your love and mercy. We pray that you will guide and direct us here today in every meeting that's happening. Be with everyone that's here and continue to comfort those that have loss in their lives. Father, we praise you in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, August 4, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Daniel, the Senate adjourns at 9:34 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, August 9, at 4:00 p.m.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 507,** AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION.
- **H.B. 73,** AN ACT TO DEFER CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO FURTHER DEFER PREVIOUSLY DEFERRED PERMIT FEES.
- **H.B. 312,** AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE OR APPOINTEE FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF TO DISCLOSE ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS, INCLUDING ANY EXPUNGED CONVICTIONS.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 244, AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 4, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the message from the House of Representatives on June 16, 2021, that the House failed to concur in **H.B. 64 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO CERTAIN PUBLIC PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE AND DISMISSAL RECORDS. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative D. Hall, Chair Representative Bell Representative Stevens and Representative Richardson

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 4, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives reconsidered the vote taken June 23, 2021, on the report of the Conferees for S.B. 314 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS. The Conference Report was subsequently withdrawn and returned to the Conference Committee.

> Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 4, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **H.B. 73 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DEFER CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO FURTHER DEFER PREVIOUSLY DEFERRED PERMIT FEES.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- H.B. 78 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL NATIONALLY STANDARDIZED TESTS TO SATISFY NINTH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO MAKE CHANGES FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR VETERANS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 121 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DREDGING PROJECTS FOR FERRY CHANNELS FROM SHALLOW DRAFT NAVIGATION CHANNEL DREDGING AND AQUATIC WEED FUND COST-SHARE REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXTEND THE HATTERAS-OCRACOKE PASSENGER FERRY LEASE, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 365** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES FOR AIRPORT FACILITIES AND PREMISES GOVERNED BY THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 729 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ALL GOVERNING BOARDS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO REQUEST RESIDENCY LICENSES AND TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD AND CREATE A STAGGER FOR THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD, with a favorable report.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 5, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **S.B. 150 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO MODIFY THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Daniel, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on S.B. 150 (House Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO ESTABLISH OFFICE HOURS FOR THE REGISTERS OF DEEDS IN CLEVELAND COUNTY; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S150-PCCS15320-BK-1.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, S.B. 150 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO MODIFY THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021.

The Conference Report is placed on the calendar of Monday, August 9, for adoption.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 18 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE CERTAIN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO CASH MANAGEMENT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 1.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 24 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITIES OF KINGS MOUNTAIN AND SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, RAMSEUR, AND STANLEY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 15.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 320 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MEETINGS BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT ALL BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY UNLESS PROHIBITED IN THEIR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 29.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Judiciary Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 398 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPEAL PISTOL PURCHASE PERMITS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 436 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT, TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 447, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROTECTING THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS BY PRESERVING THEIR RIGHT TO RECEIVE VISITS BY CLERGY MEMBERS DURING HOSPITAL STAYS THAT OCCUR DURING A DECLARED DISASTER OR EMERGENCY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 476 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STANLY COUNTY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR TWO DISTRICT COURT SEATS IN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 20A, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 11.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 536, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 608 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN WHO ARE INCARCERATED, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 11.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 776 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ONLINE NOTARIZATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 5, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 366 Senate Committee Substitute (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 5, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the message from the House of Representatives today, that the House failed to concur in H.B. 366 Senate Committee Substitute (5th Edition),

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Yarborough, Chair Representative Riddell Representative Brody Representative Moffitt and Representative Winslow

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 244, AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN. (Became law upon ratification, August 5, 2021 - S.L. 2021-99)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, August 9, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 4:00 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 7:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

August 9, 2021

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 273** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM PROPERTY TAX THE INCREASE IN VALUE OF PROPERTY DUE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TOWNHOUSES HELD FOR SALE BY A BUILDER, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 481 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW EACH DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, INSTITUTION, COMMISSION, AND BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, OR LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF NORTH CAROLINA AND CAMPUS POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SELL, TRADE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OR ALL SURPLUS WEAPONS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO ANY FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 554**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE YEAR 2023 AS "NORTH CAROLINA YEAR OF THE TRAIL," with a favorable report.

By Senator McInnis for the Transportation Committee:

H.B. 650 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MULTIPLE CHANGES TO MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40655, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

By Senator Sanderson for the **Judiciary Committee**:

H.B. 415 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE VARIOUS LAWS OF THE PRACTICE AND LICENSURE OF CHIROPRACTIC, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 688 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE SPORTS WAGERING IN NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Lisa S. Barnes, Senator from Nash County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we come before you tonight. God, we just worship you as a God of peace. You are the peace that passes all understanding. Lord, in this world that is filled with uncertainty and chaos at times, I am so thankful that we can rely on you because you are always in control, and we just know that your word tells us that your thoughts are higher than our thoughts and your ways are much higher than our ways. I am so thankful that we can put our trust and our faith in you, Lord, that you have our best interests at heart, that you have a perfect and sovereign plan. And, Lord, I lift up this legislative week ahead of us, and I pray for productivity, Lord, I pray for your provision, your protection upon us, Lord, but most of all I pray that your presence would be with us leading us and guiding us into all truth. Lord, I thank you for new beginnings, and I pray that your blessings would be upon Senator Proctor and Harriet as they begin a new chapter in their lives together. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Senator Rabon announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, August 5, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Batch, Senator Bazemore, Senator Berger, Senator Chaudhuri, Senator Crawford, Senator Fitch, Senator Galey, Senator Hise, and Senator Nickel.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 96, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE, DELIVER, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS AND TO REQUIRE PARENTAL CONSENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES UNDER AN EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION TO A MINOR.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 19, AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

August 9, 2021

H.B. 206 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD, upon third reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 41, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Garrett, Harrington, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---41.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 365 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES FOR AIRPORT FACILITIES AND PREMISES GOVERNED BY THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, upon second reading.

Senator Davis offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (41-0) and changes the title to read, **H.B. 365** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES FOR AIRPORT FACILITIES AND PREMISES GOVERNED BY THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY AND TO ALLOW PITT COUNTY TO USE ATTACHMENT AND GARNISHMENT AND LIEN FOR COUNTY-CONTRACTED AMBULANCE SERVICES SUPPLEMENTED BY COUNTY FUNDS.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 150 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO MODIFY THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Daniel, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (41-0). The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Pursuant to the message received on Thursday, August 5, that the House of Representatives adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 150, the bill is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 78 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL NATIONALLY STANDARDIZED TESTS TO SATISFY NINTH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO MAKE CHANGES FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR VETERANS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (41-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 121 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DREDGING PROJECTS FOR FERRY CHANNELS FROM SHALLOW DRAFT NAVIGATION CHANNEL DREDGING AND AQUATIC WEED FUND COST-SHARE REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXTEND THE HATTERAS-OCRACOKE PASSENGER FERRY LEASE, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (41-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

H.B. 729 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ALL GOVERNING BOARDS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO REQUEST RESIDENCY LICENSES AND TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD AND CREATE A STAGGER FOR THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (37-4) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 7:25 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, August 10, at 9:30 a.m.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

H.B. 64 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO CERTAIN PUBLIC PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE AND DISMISSAL RECORDS.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on August 4 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill for H.B. 64 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Rabon, Chair; Senator Sanderson, Senator Krawiec and Senator deViere as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

H.B. 366 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on August 5 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill for H.B. 366 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Sanderson, Chair; Senator B. Jackson, Senator McInnis and Senator Sawyer as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

H.B. 805, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR RIOTING OR INCITING RIOTING THAT RESULTS IN DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR DEATH AND ASSAULTING EMERGENCY PERSONNEL DURING A RIOT OR STATE OF EMERGENCY; TO ALLOW RECOVERY OF TREBLE DAMAGES FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY CAUSED BY RIOTING OR LOOTING; AND TO REQUIRE PRETRIAL RELEASE CONDITIONS FOR RIOTING AND LOOTING OFFENSES TO BE DETERMINED BY A JUDGE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40656, which changes the title to read **H.B. 805** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR RIOTING OR INCITING RIOTING THAT CAUSES DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR DEATH AND ASSAULTING EMERGENCY PERSONNEL DURING A RIOT OR STATE OF

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EMERGENCY; TO ALLOW RECOVERY OF TREBLE DAMAGES FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY CAUSED BY RIOTING OR LOOTING; AND TO REQUIRE PRETRIAL RELEASE CONDITIONS FOR RIOTING AND LOOTING OFFENSES TO BE DETERMINED BY A JUDGE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 132,** AN ACT TO MAKE REVISIONS TO THE JUVENILE CODE PURSUANT TO RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 6, 2021 S.L. 2021-100)
- **H.B. 19,** AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES. (Became law upon ratification, August 9, 2021 S.L. 2021-101)

Pursuant to Senator Rabon's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, August 10, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Britt, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **H.B. 84** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

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The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H84-PCCS40652-SA-5.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, **H.B. 84** (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, TO CLARIFY THE EXPUNCTION OF MISDEMEANORS, AND TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Britt for the **Judiciary Committee**:

H.B. 352 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT OCCUPANTS OF ACCOMMODATIONS PROVIDED BY HOTELS, MOTELS, OR SIMILAR LODGINGS DO NOT CREATE A TENANCY AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO CHAPTER 42 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO CLARIFY THAT THESE OCCUPANCIES ARE GOVERNED BY THE STATUTES RELATING TO INNS, HOTELS, AND OTHER TRANSIENT OCCUPANCIES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 398 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPEAL PISTOL PURCHASE PERMITS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 650 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MULTIPLE CHANGES TO MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 692 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO PASSENGER VEHICLES OPERATING ON HIGHWAYS OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 351 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES, PROTECTING THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS BY PRESERVING THEIR RIGHT TO RECEIVE VISITS BY CLERGY MEMBERS DURING HOSPITAL STAYS THAT OCCUR DURING A DECLARED DISASTER OR EMERGENCY, AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 10524, which changes the title to read **H.B. 351** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH VISITATION PROTOCOLS FOR NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, AND ADULT CARE HOMES, INCLUDING FAMILY CARE HOMES, DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND REQUIRING THESE FACILITIES TO ADHERE TO THE ESTABLISHED VISITATION PROTOCOLS DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES WHEN NORMAL VISITATION POLICIES ARE SUSPENDED OR CURTAILED, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 536, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30459, which changes the title to read **H.B. 536** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; AND TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Krawiec for the Health Care Committee:

H.B. 436 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT, TO EDUCATE

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

H.B. 608 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN WHO ARE INCARCERATED, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

By Senator McInnis for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

S.J.R. 730, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING KATHERINE M.R. BOSKEN AS COMMISSIONER OF BANKS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Joint Resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

S.B. 688 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE SPORTS WAGERING IN NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 35320, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Steinburg for the **State and Local Government Committee**:

H.B. 797 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE GOVERNING BODY OF A COUNTY TO DELEGATE PAYMENTS OF REQUESTS FOR REFUNDS OF CERTAIN TAXES PAID, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40654, which changes the title to read **H.B. 797** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DELEGATE TO A HEARING OFFICER THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER A TAXPAYER HAS OVERPAID THE EXCISE TAX ON CONVEYANCES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County, as follows:

"Dear Lord, I take this time to lift up our fellow senator Amy Galey today upon the sudden passing of her father, Dr. Sam Scott. We thank you for his life and legacy. God, we know that death visits each and every household and ultimately each and every one of us, and when it does it robs us of the joy that life has brought to us and to others, especially when that death is sudden. So, Lord, I lift up Senator Galey again and her family to you and pray that you will grant them a double portion of your unfathomable comfort and grace and hold them close in your strong arms both now at this sad time and in the days of transition ahead. It seems that death has visited several amongst us over this session and for them we pray the same thing: for Senator Lazzara in the loss of his son, for the family of Frances Patterson, and then Representative Jerry Carter's family. Let them all and us find peace in the knowledge that while death robs us of the joy that person brings here on earth, for those whom have trusted in the person of Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, Psalm 30 says, 'Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes in the morning.' In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Senator Rabon announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, August 9, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Ballard, Senator Batch, Senator Bazemore, Senator Berger, Senator Chaudhuri, Senator Crawford, Senator Galey, Senator Hise, Senator Lee, and Senator Nickel.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 150, AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO MODIFY THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021.

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CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 273 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM PROPERTY TAX THE INCREASE IN VALUE OF PROPERTY DUE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TOWNHOUSES HELD FOR SALE BY A BUILDER, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (40-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 481 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW EACH DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, INSTITUTION, COMMISSION, AND BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, OR LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF NORTH CAROLINA AND CAMPUS POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SELL, TRADE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OR ALL SURPLUS WEAPONS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO ANY FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER, upon second reading.

Senator Britt offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (37-3) and, upon concurrence by the House of Representatives, will change the title to read, H.B. 481 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DEPARTMENT, ALLOW EACH AGENCY, INSTITUTION. TO COMMISSION, AND BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, OR LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF NORTH CAROLINA AND CAMPUS POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SELL, TRADE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OR ALL SURPLUS WEAPONS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO ANY FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE TWENTY-YEAR WAITING PERIOD TO PETITION THE COURT TO HAVE FIREARM RIGHTS' RESTORED FOR AN OUT-OF-STATE CONVICTION IS CALCULATED JUST LIKE THE TWENTY-YEAR WAITING PERIOD FOR A NORTH CAROLINA CONVICTION.

Senator Edwards offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (38-2).

Senator Davis offers Amendment No. 3, which is adopted (40-0) and, upon concurrence by the House of Representatives, will change the title to read, **H.B. 481** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW EACH DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, INSTITUTION, COMMISSION, AND BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, OR LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF NORTH CAROLINA AND CAMPUS POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SELL,

TRADE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OR ALL SURPLUS WEAPONS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO ANY FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE TWENTY-YEAR WAITING PERIOD TO PETITION THE COURT TO HAVE FIREARM RIGHTS' RESTORED FOR AN OUT-OF-STATE CONVICTION IS CALCULATED JUST LIKE THE TWENTY-YEAR WAITING PERIOD FOR A NORTH CAROLINA CONVICTION AND TO AUTHORIZE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO PURCHASE PRIOR WEAPON USED.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its second reading (33-7) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Amendments.

H.B. 554, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DESIGNATING THE YEAR 2023 AS "NORTH CAROLINA YEAR OF THE TRAIL," upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (39-1) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that would ordinarily appear on the calendar of Wednesday, August 11, will be placed on the calendar of Monday, August 16.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, seconded by Senator Alexander, the Senate adjourns at 4:39 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, August 11, at 10:00 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 415 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE VARIOUS LAWS OF THE PRACTICE AND LICENSURE OF CHIROPRACTIC, with a favorable report.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, August 16.

H.B. 489 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE VARIOUS BUILDING CODE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY REFORMS, with a favorable report.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, August 16.

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CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 150, AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MORGANTON TO CLARIFY THE TIME PERIOD FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF MAYOR AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY MANAGER SHALL APPOINT THE CITY CLERK; TO UPDATE FINES FOR CERTAIN BOATING VIOLATIONS ON LAKE JAMES; TO PROVIDE THAT ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HILDEBRAN SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF WELDON TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE; TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION IN THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CLEVELAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND TO MODIFY THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELAY OF THE LEXINGTON CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS IN 2021. (Became law upon ratification, August 10, 2021 - S.L. 2021-102)

Pursuant to Senator Rabon's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, August 11, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Warren Daniel, Senator from Burke County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day you've given us. May your grace and mercy continue to be with Senator Galey and her family. Help us here today and tomorrow do the business of the people of North Carolina. Bless this great state. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, August 10, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Daniel, the Senate adjourns at 10:03 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, August 12, at 10:00 a.m.

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ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 554, AN ACT DESIGNATING THE YEAR 2023 AS "NORTH CAROLINA YEAR OF THE TRAIL."

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.R. 732, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF ELIZABETH S. BISER AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF A RESOLUTION

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a resolution as follows:

S.R. 732. A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT. NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF ELIZABETH S. BISER AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on August 11.

The resolution is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Select **Committee on Nominations.**

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, August 12, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day and your love that brought us to this, another day. We pray that you'll bless everyone in this room and these buildings as we work today and do the work of the people of North Carolina. We thank you so much for your grace and love. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, August 11, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 10:01 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, August 16, at 4:00 p.m.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- H.B. 78, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL NATIONALLY STANDARDIZED TESTS TO SATISFY NINTH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO MAKE CHANGES FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR VETERANS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW.
- H.B. 121, AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DREDGING PROJECTS FOR FERRY CHANNELS FROM SHALLOW DRAFT NAVIGATION CHANNEL DREDGING AND AQUATIC WEED FUND COST-SHARE REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXTEND THE HATTERAS-OCRACOKE PASSENGER FERRY LEASE.
- **H.B. 461,** AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFYING AND TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE STATE AUDITOR STATUTES.
- H.B. 729, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ALL GOVERNING BOARDS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO REQUEST RESIDENCY LICENSES AND TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD AND CREATE A STAGGER FOR THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 206, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD.

H.B. 365, AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES FOR AIRPORT FACILITIES AND PREMISES GOVERNED BY THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY AND TO ALLOW PITT COUNTY TO USE ATTACHMENT AND GARNISHMENT AND LIEN FOR COUNTY-CONTRACTED AMBULANCE SERVICES SUPPLEMENTED BY COUNTY FUNDS.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 11, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on H.B. 84 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, TO CLARIFY THE EXPUNCTION OF MISDEMEANORS, AND TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 801, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW CERTAIN EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS TO CONDUCT A GAME NIGHT AT A LOCATION THAT IS NOT A QUALIFIED FACILITY, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 13.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 105 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKING BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 35 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWFUL AGE OF MARRIAGE TO SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A SIXTEEN OR SEVENTEEN YEAR-OLD TO MARRY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- H.B. 206, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LOUISBURG TO USE REVENUE DERIVED FROM RATES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT WILL INCREASE THE TOWN'S NUMBER OF ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS OR ELECTRIC LOAD. (Became law upon ratification, August 12, 2021 S.L. 2021-103)
- H.B. 365, AN ACT TO EXPAND THE AUTHORIZED USES FOR AIRPORT FACILITIES AND PREMISES GOVERNED BY THE GREATER ASHEVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY AND TO ALLOW PITT COUNTY TO USE ATTACHMENT AND GARNISHMENT AND LIEN FOR COUNTY-CONTRACTED AMBULANCE SERVICES SUPPLEMENTED BY COUNTY FUNDS. (Became law upon ratification, August 12, 2021 S.L. 2021-104)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, August 16, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day, another week you've given us. We thank you for life, and it more abundantly. Thank you for your grace and love. We pray that you'll help us here this week as hopefully, Lord, we move into the final weeks of session. Guide and direct us. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, August 12, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 4:02 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, August 17, at 9:30 a.m.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 273, AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM PROPERTY TAX THE INCREASE IN VALUE OF PROPERTY DUE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TOWNHOUSES HELD FOR SALE BY A BUILDER.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

- **S.B. 299** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAINTAIN NAIC ACCREDITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE BY MAKING REVISIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE AND RESERVE FINANCING, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.
- **S.B. 301** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO THREE NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON

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BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, AND TO ALLOW ACCESS TO EXPUNCTION RECORDS FOR DETERMINING CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE ELIGIBILITY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 911 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- H.B. 73, AN ACT TO DEFER CERTAIN ABC PERMIT RENEWAL AND REGISTRATION FEES DUE ON MAY 1, 2021, OR FOR THE PERIOD COVERING MAY 1, 2021, THROUGH APRIL 30, 2022, AND TO FURTHER DEFER PREVIOUSLY DEFERRED PERMIT FEES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-105)
- **S.B. 507,** AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-106)
- **H.B. 312,** AN ACT TO REQUIRE A CANDIDATE OR APPOINTEE FOR THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF TO DISCLOSE ALL FELONY CONVICTIONS, INCLUDING ANY EXPUNGED CONVICTIONS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-107)
- H.B. 121, AN ACT TO CLARIFY FUNDING OF CERTAIN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PROGRAM, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN DREDGING PROJECTS FOR FERRY CHANNELS FROM SHALLOW DRAFT NAVIGATION CHANNEL DREDGING AND AQUATIC WEED FUND COST-SHARE REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXTEND THE HATTERAS-OCRACOKE PASSENGER FERRY LEASE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-108)
- **H.B. 554,** AN ACT DESIGNATING THE YEAR 2023 AS "NORTH CAROLINA YEAR OF THE TRAIL." (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-109)

Pursuant to	Senator	Ford's	motion	to	adjourn	having	prevailed,	the	Senate
stands adjourne	:d.								

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ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, August 17, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL AND A RESOLUTION

A bill and a resolution filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.B. 733, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Rabon:

S.R. 734, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 95 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 10.

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The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Redistricting** and Elections Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 3 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PARTISAN ELECTORAL DISTRICTS, referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** on May 20, with a sequential referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Committee Substitute is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 143, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF SWAIN COUNTY, referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** on May 20, with a sequential referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 229, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES, referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** on June 7, with a sequential referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 476 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STANLY COUNTY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR TWO DISTRICT COURT SEATS IN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 20A, referred to the Redistricting and Elections Committee on August 5, with a sequential referral to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 352 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT OCCUPANTS OF ACCOMMODATIONS PROVIDED BY HOTELS, MOTELS, OR SIMILAR LODGINGS DO NOT CREATE A TENANCY AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO CHAPTER 42 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO CLARIFY THAT THESE OCCUPANCIES ARE GOVERNED BY THE STATUTES RELATING TO INNS, HOTELS, AND OTHER TRANSIENT OCCUPANCIES, with a favorable report.

S.B. 688 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE SPORTS WAGERING IN NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Upon the request of Senator Waddell, the Senate observes a moment of silence to remember those who are still fighting in Afghanistan, those who are hurt, those who have been killed, and those who are trying to avoid war.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Lord, we pray for the power to be gentle, the strength to be forgiving, and the patience to be understanding, and the endurance to accept the consequences of holding to what we believe to be right. May we put our trust in the power of good to overcome evil and the power of love to overcome hatred. In this General Assembly, guide us in everything that we do and say that it may be uplifting to your kingdom. These blessings we ask in thy name. And all the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, August 16, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Ballard, Senator Bazemore, Senator Fitch, and Senator Steinburg.

MOTIONS RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.R. 734, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on August 17.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the resolution is placed on today's calendar.

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S.B. 301 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO THREE NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, AND TO ALLOW ACCESS TO EXPUNCTION RECORDS FOR DETERMINING CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE ELIGIBILITY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the House Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from today's calendar and placed on the calendar of Wednesday, August 18.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar as unfinished business from August 16 are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 415 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE VARIOUS LAWS OF THE PRACTICE AND LICENSURE OF CHIROPRACTIC, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 489 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE VARIOUS BUILDING CODE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY REFORMS, upon second reading.

Senator Sawyer offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (46-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 105 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKING BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, for concurrence upon second reading.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2, by roll-call vote, ayes 0, noes 46, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: None.

Voting in the negative: Senators Alexander, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Waddell and Woodard---46.

The House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 35 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWFUL AGE OF MARRIAGE TO SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A SIXTEEN OR SEVENTEEN YEAR-OLD TO MARRY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Foushee, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (46-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 84 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, TO CLARIFY THE EXPUNCTION OF MISDEMEANORS, AND TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (46-0). The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 299 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAINTAIN NAIC ACCREDITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE BY MAKING REVISIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE AND RESERVE FINANCING, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Johnson, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (46-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.R. 734, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE PROCEDURE FOR ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the resolution is adopted (46-0).

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Harrington, the Senate adjourns at 4:32 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, August 18, at 9:30 a.m.

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

S.B. 105 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKING BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for S.B. 105 on August 17, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator B. Jackson, Chair; Senator Harrington, Senator Hise, Senator Rabon, Senator Daniel, Senator Britt, Senator Krawiec, Senator Burgin, Senator Perry, Senator Newton, Senator Ballard, Senator Lee, Senator Sanderson, Senator Edwards, Senator Johnson, Senator McInnis, Senator Sawyer, Senator Alexander, Senator Ford, Senator Steinburg, Senator Clark, Senator Davis, Senator deViere and Senator Lowe as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 398 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPEAL PISTOL PURCHASE PERMITS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, August 18, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Steve Jarvis, Senator from Davidson County.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator B. Jackson for the **Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee**:

S.R. 732, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF ELIZABETH S. BISER AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the resolution is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

H.B. 95 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY REQUIRING DONORS WHO ORIGINALLY BECAME DONORS IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION TO CONSENT TO THE IMPRINTING OF AN ANATOMICAL GIFT STATEMENT OR SYMBOL ON THE DONOR'S NORTH CAROLINA DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD AND BY CLARIFYING WHEN AN ANATOMICAL GIFT MADE BY AUTHORIZING THAT A STATEMENT OR SYMBOL BE IMPRINTED ON THE DONOR'S DRIVERS LICENSE OR IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL BE CONSIDERED REVOKED, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30461, which changes the title to read **H.B. 95** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE TO REVIEW AN APPLICATION AND ISSUE OR DENY A LICENSE FOR WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THAT IS CONDITIONED UPON APPROVAL OF A PRESCRIPTION DRUG UNDER FEDERAL LAW WHILE THE FEDERAL APPROVAL PROCESS IS PENDING, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 733, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on August 17.

The bill is re-referred to the **Select Committee on Nominations**.

H.B. 86 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT INCREASING THE DEATH BENEFIT FOR MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM WHO DIE WHILE IN SERVICE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE INCREASED DEATH BENEFIT, AND MAKING TECHNICAL CHANGES TO REORGANIZE THE LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM DEATH BENEFIT STATUTE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 19.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Appropriations/Base Budget Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 685, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSUMER FINANCE ACT TO ALLOW THE RECOVERY OF ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEES IMPOSED BY THIRD PARTIES AND TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF OFFICIAL FEES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 650** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MULTIPLE CHANGES TO MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 692** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO PASSENGER VEHICLES OPERATING ON HIGHWAYS OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS, with a favorable report.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 18, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that pursuant to a Proclamation issued by Governor Roy Cooper on August 11, 2021, A. Reece Pyrtle, Jr. has been administered the oath of office as a Member

of the House of Representatives for the remainder of the 2021-2022 General Assembly. Representative Pyrtle has been seated to fill the vacancy created by the passing of Representative Jerry Carter from the 65th District.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk [Session

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Thou who art eternal, we thank thee for these moments and this day. We thank thee for all that you do in our lives and how you continue to bless us and keep us and wrap your arms of protection around us. Now we ask that you'd bless our deliberation on behalf of the Old North State. These things we pray in your Son, Christ Jesus' name. Thank you. And all of the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, August 17, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore and Senator Steinburg.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 35,** AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWFUL AGE OF MARRIAGE TO SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A SIXTEEN OR SEVENTEEN YEAR-OLD TO MARRY.
- **S.B. 299,** AN ACT TO MAINTAIN NAIC ACCREDITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE BY MAKING REVISIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE AND RESERVE FINANCING.

WITHDRAWAL FROM COMMITTEE

S.B. 314 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF

CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS. ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES AND DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on June 24.

Pursuant to Rule 47(a), Senator Rabon offers a motion that the Conference Report be withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on the calendar of Thursday, August 19, which motion prevails without objection, and the Chair so orders.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Newton submits a Senatorial Statement, entitled, "HONORING OFFICER JASON SHUPING."

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Upon motion of Senator Woodard, the words spoken by Senator Newton are spread upon the Journal as follows:

"Members, you have a Senatorial Statement before you. Today I rise with a heavy but eternally grateful heart as we honor the life and memory of fallen Concord police officer Jason Shuping. Jason was born on November 15, 1995, to Richard Dane and Lynn Karriker Shuping. Jason was born in Rowan County and was an active member in his community throughout his childhood. He was a member of the Boy Scouts and Shiloh Reformed Church of Faith, where he performed in the Ringers Handbell Choir, volunteered for Vacation Bible School, and participated in youth and adult mission trips. Jason was also a gifted studentathlete. In 2014, he graduated from East Rowan High School, where he was a member of both the football and track teams and a member of the honors chorus. As a student at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Jason was on the track team and in 2018 received a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and Sociology with magna cum laude honors. Jason planned to serve his community even more after school and was clearly called into a life of service. In 2019, he graduated from the basic law enforcement training program at Rowan-Cabarrus Community College. Following his graduation in 2019, he joined the Concord

Police Department. Officer Jason Shuping was dedicated to his job and, within a short period of time, distinguished himself by earning six commendations and gaining the admiration of his fellow officers. Outside of work, Jason enjoyed spending time with his family, hunting, fishing, working on home improvement projects, and supporting the Carolina Panthers. On December 16th, tragically, Officer Shuping, who was only 25 years old, was shot and killed while responding to an attempted carjacking. I know all who knew Jason will miss him dearly. He was dedicated to his faith, his family, and his community. It's with deep appreciation for Officer Jason Shuping, his service, and his sacrifice, that I offer you this Senatorial Statement. I want to thank Jason's wife, Haley; his parents, Dane and Lynn; and his fellow officers and command staff in the Concord Police Department, who are with us here today. In particular, I want to call the attention of the Senate members to Officer Kyle Baker, who was involved in the shoot-out with the suspect, as well as Officer Caleb Robinson, who was also involved and injured in the shootout. We are honored to have you with us here today, and we are greatly and eternally thankful for your service. Mr. President, members, thank you for your indulgence. To the family of Officer Shuping and Concord Police Department members who are here with us here today, thank you so much. And I believe you are in possession of a courtesy of the gallery. Thank you."

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 688 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE SPORTS WAGERING IN NORTH CAROLINA, upon second reading.

Senator Perry offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (43-4).

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 26, noes 21, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Batch, Berger, Blue, Chaudhuri, Corbin, Crawford, deViere, Fitch, Garrett, Harrington, J. Jackson, Johnson, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Perry, Rabon, Salvador, Sawyer, Waddell and Woodard---26.

Voting in the negative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Burgin, Clark, Craven, Daniel, Davis, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Krawiec, Mayfield, Newton, Proctor, Robinson and Sanderson---21.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, remains on the calendar for Thursday, August 19, upon third reading.

H.B. 352 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT OCCUPANTS OF ACCOMMODATIONS PROVIDED BY HOTELS, MOTELS, OR SIMILAR LODGINGS DO NOT CREATE A TENANCY AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO CHAPTER 42 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO CLARIFY THAT THESE OCCUPANCIES ARE GOVERNED BY THE STATUTES RELATING TO INNS, HOTELS, AND OTHER TRANSIENT OCCUPANCIES, upon second reading.

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The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (28-20) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 398 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPEAL PISTOL PURCHASE PERMITS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (27-20) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 301 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO THREE NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, AND TO ALLOW ACCESS TO EXPUNCTION RECORDS FOR DETERMINING CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE ELIGIBILITY, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (48-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Fitch, the Senate adjourns at 5:18 p.m., in honor and in memory of Officer Jason Shuping, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, August 19, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the **Judiciary Committee**:

H.B. 436 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT, TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30462, which changes the title to read **H.B. 436** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW

ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; AND TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 18, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that conferees have been dismissed for **H.B. 366 Senate Committee Substitute (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 18, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 105 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (6th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKING BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Arp, Co-Chair Representative Lambeth, Co-Chair Representative Saine, Co-Chair Representative Bell Representative K. Hall Representative D. Hall Representative Strickland Representative Dixon

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Representative Bumgardner Representative Szoka Representative Hastings Representative Kidwell Representative Brisson Representative Brockman Representative Hardister Representative Farkas Representative Faircloth Representative Graham Representative Hurley Representative Hunter Representative Torbett Representative Lucas Representative Cleveland Representative Pierce Representative Riddell Representative Richardson Representative K. Baker Representative Willingham Representative Potts Representative Wray

Representative Sasser

Representative White

Representative Johnson Representative Boles

Representative B. Jones Representative Bradford Representative Setzer **Advisory Non-Voting Conferees:**

Representative Willis

Representative Winslow and Representative Pickett

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

H.B. 608 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN WHO ARE INCARCERATED, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30463, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 11:00 a.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 18, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the second report of the Conferees on S.B. 314 (Conference Committee Substitute), AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION; TO MANDATE THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED; TO ADD OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS; TO ALLOW THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS; AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND **OTHER OBLIGATIONS** AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 257 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Paul Newton, Senator from Cabarrus County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we just thank you for the opportunity and the responsibility of being here on behalf of North Carolinians. Every day we are here is a reminder of how much we depend on you. There are too many issues, too much pace, too much complexity for us to handle it ourselves. For that reason, in part, we turn to you for your wisdom and your guidance. Your word tells us that if we ask we will receive, so we ask you today for your wisdom as we deal with the people's issues. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, August 18, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Corbin, Senator Craven, and Senator Steinburg.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 301, AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO THREE NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, AND TO ALLOW ACCESS TO EXPUNCTION RECORDS FOR DETERMINING CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE ELIGIBILITY.

H.B. 84, AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, TO CLARIFY THE EXPUNCTION OF MISDEMEANORS, AND TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED.

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- H.B. 352, AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT OCCUPANTS OF ACCOMMODATIONS PROVIDED BY HOTELS, MOTELS, OR SIMILAR LODGINGS DO NOT CREATE A TENANCY AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO CHAPTER 42 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO CLARIFY THAT THESE OCCUPANCIES ARE GOVERNED BY THE STATUTES RELATING TO INNS, HOTELS, AND OTHER TRANSIENT OCCUPANCIES.
- **H.B. 366,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.
 - H.B. 398, AN ACT TO REPEAL PISTOL PURCHASE PERMITS.
- H.B. 481, AN ACT TO ALLOW EACH DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, INSTITUTION, COMMISSION, AND BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, OR LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF NORTH CAROLINA AND CAMPUS POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SELL, TRADE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OR ALL SURPLUS WEAPONS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO ANY FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE TWENTY-YEAR WAITING PERIOD TO PETITION THE COURT TO HAVE FIREARM RIGHTS RESTORED FOR AN OUT-OF-STATE CONVICTION IS CALCULATED JUST LIKE THE TWENTY-YEAR WAITING PERIOD FOR A NORTH CAROLINA CONVICTION AND TO AUTHORIZE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO PURCHASE PRIOR WEAPON USED.

MOTIONS RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 257 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, received from the House of Representatives today for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the House Committee Substitute bill is placed on today's calendar.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, **S.B. 688** is withdrawn from the regular order of business and placed at the end of today's calendar.

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RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that would ordinarily appear on the calendar of Monday, August 23, will be placed on the calendar of Tuesday, August 24.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 650 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MULTIPLE CHANGES TO MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS, upon second reading.

Senator Sawyer offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (46-0).

Senator Davis offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (46-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 692 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO PASSENGER VEHICLES OPERATING ON HIGHWAYS OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (43-3) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Britt.

CONFERENCE REPORT WITHDRAWN

Senator McInnis, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on S.B. 314 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE

SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, withdraws the Conference Report submitted on June 24.

CONFERENCE REPORT SUBMITTED

Senator McInnis, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on S.B. 314 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION, MANDATES THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED, ADDS OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS, ALLOWS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS AND TO REGULATE THE HOURS OF THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, submits a second Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report No. 2 deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S314-PCCS45456-ST-3.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report No. 2 will change the title to read, **S.B. 314** (Conference Committee Substitute) A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION; TO MANDATE THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED; TO ADD OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS; TO

ALLOW THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS; AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS.

The Conference Report No. 2 is placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 314 (Conference Report No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION: TO MANDATE THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED; TO ADD OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS; TO ALLOW THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS; AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator McInnis, the Senate adopts the second Conference Report (45-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Pursuant to the message received on Thursday, August 19, that the House of Representatives adopted the second Conference Report for S.B. 314, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 257 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Perry, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill (0-45) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 688 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE SPORTS WAGERING IN NORTH CAROLINA, as amended, upon third reading.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 26, noes 19, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Batch, Berger, Blue, Chaudhuri, Crawford, deViere, Fitch, Garrett, Harrington, J. Jackson, Johnson, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Perry, Rabon, Salvador, Sawyer, Waddell and Woodard---26.

Voting in the negative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Burgin, Clark, Daniel, Davis, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Krawiec, Newton, Proctor, Robinson and Sanderson---19.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Sawyer, the Senate adjourns at 11:33 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, August 23, at 4:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

S.B. 257 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill for S.B. 257 on August 19, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Perry, Chair; Senator Rabon, Senator Britt and Senator deViere as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A select committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Select Committee on Nominations:

S.J.R. 730, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING KATHERINE M.R. BOSKEN AS COMMISSIONER OF BANKS, with a favorable report.

The Joint Resolution is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, August 24.

S.R. 732, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF ELIZABETH S. BISER AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, with a favorable report.

The resolution is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, August 24.

S.B. 733, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15327, is adopted and engrossed.

The Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, August 24.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 19, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that pursuant to **H.R. 972 (Adopted)**, A HOUSE RESOLUTION ELECTING WILLIAM P. "BILL" MCBRAYER, JR., AND M. LEE BARNES, JR., TO SERVE AS MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES, the House of Representatives has confirmed William P. "Bill" McBrayer, Jr., and M. Lee Barnes, Jr., to serve on the State Board of Community Colleges for terms expiring June 30, 2027.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 19, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that Representatives Elmore, Goodwin, McElraft, McNeill, C. Smith, Iler and Shepard have been added as conferees to **S.B. 105 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (6th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKING BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 27 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ALL MAGISTRATES RECEIVE THE EDUCATION NECESSARY TO PERFORM THEIR JOBS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 4.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 91 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on July 22.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 248 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPRING LAKE TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF APPOINTING THE TOWN'S FINANCE OFFICER AND TAX COLLECTOR AND TO CLARIFY THE TOWN'S AUTHORITY TO CONSOLIDATE POSITIONS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 400 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS AND TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 10.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 19, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 257 House Committee Substitute (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Sasser, Chair Representative Bell Representative D. Hall Representative Potts and Representative Adcock

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED NINETEENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, August 23, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by Senator Berger, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we give you thanks today for this day and for all the blessings you've bestowed upon us and on this great state. We ask your guidance in all that we say and do. I ask these things in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, Amen."

August 23, 2021

Senator Perry announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, August 19, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Perry, seconded by Senator Berger, the Senate adjourns at 4:07 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, August 24, at 9:30 a.m.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- S.B. 314, AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE **GOVERNMENT** COMMISSION TO **ASSIST** LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION; TO MANDATE THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED; TO ADD OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS; TO ALLOW THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING FISCAL DISTRESS; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS; AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT **COMMISSION** TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES, **AND** OTHER **OBLIGATIONS AND DISSOLVE** MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS.
- **S.B. 316,** AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FOR PLUMBING, HEATING, FIRE SPRINKLER, AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS.
- **H.B. 415,** AN ACT TO UPDATE VARIOUS LAWS OF THE PRACTICE AND LICENSURE OF CHIROPRACTIC.
- **H.B. 489,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE VARIOUS BUILDING CODE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY REFORMS.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

August 20, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mark Robinson Lieutenant Governor 310 N. Blount Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §96-15.3(c), I am pleased to nominate Judge Albert D. Kirby, Jr. of Sampson County to serve on the North Carolina Employment Security Board of Review for a term beginning on July 1, 2021 and hereby submit his name for confirmation by the General Assembly.

I am grateful for Mr. Kirby's willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Please feel free to call my staff for any addition information.

> Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Phil Berger The Honorable Tim Moore The Honorable Dan Blue The Honorable Robert T. Reives II Ms. Sarah Holland

Mr. James White

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 351 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH VISITATION PROTOCOLS FOR NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, AND ADULT CARE HOMES, INCLUDING FAMILY CARE HOMES, DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND REQUIRING THESE FACILITIES TO ADHERE TO THE ESTABLISHED VISITATION PROTOCOLS DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES WHEN NORMAL VISITATION POLICIES ARE SUSPENDED OR CURTAILED, with a favorable report.

H.B. 536 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; AND TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL, with a favorable report.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

- **S.B. 191** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, for concurrence in House Amendment No. 1.
- S.B. 207 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TO MAKE RELATED CHANGES TO THE JUVENILE CODE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN APPROPRIATE MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT TO BE PROVIDED FOR JUVENILES WHO HAVE BEEN ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.
- S.B. 421 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR RECENT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA AND TO CLARIFY THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES ELECTION PROCESS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.
- S.B. 300 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL; TO EXPAND TRANSPORTATION OF INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT RESPONDENTS; TO STANDARDIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REQUIREMENTS; TO

REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT: TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION: TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL: TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS; TO PROTECT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO AMEND THE LAW TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE DISCLOSURE OF BODY-WORN CAMERA RECORDINGS RELATED TO DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY; AND TO ESTABLISH THE BIPARTISAN NORTH CAROLINA LEGISLATIVE WORKING GROUP TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE RECODIFICATION OF NORTH CAROLINA'S CRIMINAL LAWS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

S.B. 693 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS AND EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CLARIFY THE NONCARETAKER DEFINITION FOR THE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS LIST; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT A CENTRALIZED HOTLINE FOR CHILD WELFARE INTAKE; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INCREASE APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS; AND TO PROVIDE SAFE AND APPROPRIATE PLACEMENT FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

H.B. 353 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STAGGER THE TERMS OF THE WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND TO ESTABLISH FOUR-YEAR STAGGERED TERMS WITH ODD-YEAR ELECTIONS FOR THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- H.B. 96, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE IMMUNIZING PHARMACISTS TO DISPENSE, DELIVER, AND ADMINISTER CERTAIN TREATMENT AND MEDICATIONS AND TO REQUIRE PARENTAL CONSENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES UNDER AN EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION TO A MINOR. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 20, 2021 S.L. 2021-110)
- H.B. 78, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL NATIONALLY STANDARDIZED TESTS TO SATISFY NINTH GRADE PRIVATE SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO MAKE CHANGES FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR VETERANS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-111)
- **H.B. 461,** AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFYING AND TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE STATE AUDITOR STATUTES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-112)
- **H.B. 273,** AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM PROPERTY TAX THE INCREASE IN VALUE OF PROPERTY DUE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TOWNHOUSES HELD FOR SALE BY A BUILDER. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-113)
- **S.B. 299,** AN ACT TO MAINTAIN NAIC ACCREDITATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE BY MAKING REVISIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE AND RESERVE FINANCING. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-114)
- H.B. 84, AN ACT TO APPLY PREMISES RESTRICTIONS TO CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS, TO CLARIFY THE EXPUNCTION OF MISDEMEANORS, AND TO AMEND THE LAW THAT IMPOSES RESIDENTIAL RESTRICTIONS ON SEX OFFENDERS TO PROVIDE THAT THE ONE THOUSAND FOOT RESTRICTION IS TO BE MEASURED FROM THE PROPERTY LINE OF THE PROPERTY ON WHICH THE SCHOOL OR CHILD CARE CENTER IS LOCATED. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-115)

H.B. 481, AN ACT TO ALLOW EACH DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, INSTITUTION, COMMISSION, AND BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, OR LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF NORTH CAROLINA AND CAMPUS POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO SELL, TRADE, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF ANY OR ALL SURPLUS WEAPONS IN THEIR POSSESSION TO ANY FEDERALLY LICENSED FIREARM DEALER AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE TWENTY-YEAR WAITING PERIOD TO PETITION THE COURT TO HAVE FIREARM RIGHTS RESTORED FOR AN OUT-OF-STATE CONVICTION IS CALCULATED JUST LIKE THE TWENTY-YEAR WAITING PERIOD FOR A NORTH CAROLINA CONVICTION AND TO AUTHORIZE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO PURCHASE PRIOR WEAPON USED. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 23, 2021 - S.L. 2021-116)

H.B. 366, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 23, 2021 - S.L. 2021-117)

Pursuant to Senator Perry's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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Senate Chamber Tuesday, August 24, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 24, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that **H.B. 729 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ALL GOVERNING BOARDS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO REQUEST RESIDENCY

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LICENSES AND TO CHANGE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD AND CREATE A STAGGER FOR THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on August 23, 2021 and was returned to the House of Representatives with the attached veto message.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Governor's objections and veto message can be found in the Addendum.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Lee for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

H.B. 324 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS AND TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30465, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

H.B. 769 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A BILL OF RIGHTS RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS OF FOSTER PARENTS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 30466, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 27 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ALL MAGISTRATES RECEIVE THE EDUCATION NECESSARY TO PERFORM THEIR JOBS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

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Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40659, which changes the title to read **H.B. 27** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ALL MAGISTRATES RECEIVE THE EDUCATION NECESSARY TO PERFORM THEIR JOBS AND TO REINSTATE THE DISCRETION OF A JUDICIAL OFFICIAL IN SETTING APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS OF PRETRIAL RELEASE FOR A DEFENDANT THAT HAS PREVIOUSLY FAILED TO APPEAR IN COURT FOR THE CHARGES TO WHICH THE CONDITIONS APPLY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COURTS COMMISSION, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Sanderson for the Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee:

H.B. 181 (Committee Substitute No. 4), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 4, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30464, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

By Senator Edwards for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 320 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MEETINGS BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT ALL BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY UNLESS PROHIBITED IN THEIR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

H.B. 403 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10529, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Norman W. Sanderson, Senator from Pamlico County, as follows:

"Father, you and you alone know all of our needs, those spoken and unspoken. Father, we just pray this afternoon that you would not take your grace and your mercy from us. We need it now more than ever. We ask for that to be poured out upon us. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, August 23, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Berger, Senator Daniel, Senator Harrington, Senator Mayfield, Senator Rabon, and Senator Robinson.

CALENDAR

Bills and resolutions on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.J.R. 730, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING KATHERINE M.R. BOSKEN AS COMMISSIONER OF BANKS, upon second reading.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Lowe.

The Joint Resolution passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

S.B. 733 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, upon second reading.

Senator Hise offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (42-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 351 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH VISITATION PROTOCOLS FOR NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, AND

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ADULT CARE HOMES, INCLUDING FAMILY CARE HOMES, DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND REQUIRING THESE FACILITIES TO ADHERE TO THE ESTABLISHED VISITATION PROTOCOLS DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES WHEN NORMAL VISITATION POLICIES ARE SUSPENDED OR CURTAILED, upon second reading.

Senator Lazzara offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (42-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

H.B. 536 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; AND TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 191 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, for concurrence in House Amendment No. 1.

Upon motion of Senator Krawiec, the Senate fails to concur in House Amendment No. 1 (0-42) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 207 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TO MAKE RELATED CHANGES TO THE JUVENILE CODE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN APPROPRIATE MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT TO BE PROVIDED FOR JUVENILES WHO HAVE BEEN ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (42-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 300 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL; TO EXPAND TRANSPORTATION OF **INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT** RESPONDENTS; TO STANDARDIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH. AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS; TO PROTECT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO AMEND THE LAW TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE DISCLOSURE OF BODY-WORN CAMERA RECORDINGS RELATED TO DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY; AND TO ESTABLISH THE BIPARTISAN NORTH CAROLINA LEGISLATIVE WORKING GROUP TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE RECODIFICATION OF NORTH CAROLINA'S CRIMINAL LAWS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (42-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 421 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR RECENT HIGH SCHOOL

GRADUATES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA AND TO CLARIFY THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES ELECTION PROCESS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Craven, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (42-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 693 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS AND EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CLARIFY THE NONCARETAKER DEFINITION FOR THE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS LIST; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT A CENTRALIZED HOTLINE FOR CHILD WELFARE INTAKE; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INCREASE APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS; AND TO PROVIDE SAFE AND APPROPRIATE PLACEMENT FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (42-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.R. 732, A SENATE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT, NOMINATION, AND CONFIRMATION OF ELIZABETH S. BISER AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, for adoption.

Senator B. Jackson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (42-0) and changes the title to read, **S.R. 732**, A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ELIZABETH S. BISER AS SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, the resolution, as amended, is adopted (42-0), and the amendment is ordered engrossed.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Woodard, the Senate adjourns at 4:53 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, August 25, at 9:30 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 95 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE TO REVIEW AN APPLICATION AND ISSUE OR DENY A LICENSE FOR WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THAT IS CONDITIONED UPON APPROVAL OF A PRESCRIPTION DRUG UNDER FEDERAL LAW WHILE THE FEDERAL APPROVAL PROCESS IS PENDING, with a favorable report.

- H.B. 436 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; AND TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 608** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN WHO ARE INCARCERATED, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 805 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR RIOTING OR INCITING RIOTING THAT CAUSES DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR DEATH AND ASSAULTING EMERGENCY PERSONNEL DURING A RIOT OR STATE OF EMERGENCY; TO ALLOW RECOVERY OF TREBLE DAMAGES FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY CAUSED BY RIOTING OR LOOTING; AND TO REQUIRE PRETRIAL RELEASE CONDITIONS FOR RIOTING AND LOOTING OFFENSES TO BE DETERMINED BY A JUDGE, with a favorable report.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 636 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF CHARITABLE DONORS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, August 25, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 711 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 3.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 3, 35328, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 3 is re-referred to the **Health Care Committee**.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Ballard, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 654** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S654-PCCS15328-BE-3.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 25, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **S.B. 654 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

- **S.B. 228** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.
- **S.B. 542** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Newton for the Finance Committee:

H.B. 181 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 685, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSUMER FINANCE ACT TO ALLOW THE RECOVERY OF ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEES IMPOSED BY THIRD PARTIES AND TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF OFFICIAL FEES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

H.B. 24 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITIES OF KINGS MOUNTAIN AND SHELBY AND THE TOWNS OF FRANKLINVILLE, LIBERTY, RAMSEUR, AND STANLEY, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10530, which changes the title to read **H.B. 24** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN

OF LAKE LURE AND TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Lord, we thank you for these many amazing opportunities you have provided to us. Father, help us to be a good friend toward one another and good stewards of our many blessings. Protect us. Lord, we pray for those who are sick with Covid or any other viruses and diseases. We pray for those who are in Afghanistan trying to get out, those who are still experiencing war; and many of them are our family members and our neighbors. We ask your prayer for them. Afghanistan is a place where we hear much about, so we ask your blessings there. We ask that you help us create good governance here in this chamber and that we may be here to do things that you shine upon. Thank you for all that you do and, God, for all you are. We pray these blessings in your name. And all the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, August 24, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Batch, Senator Bazemore, Senator Daniel, Senator Harrington, Senator Mayfield, and Senator Rabon.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Hise, the Conference Report for **S.B. 654** is placed on today's calendar as the last item to be taken up, for adoption.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 95 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE TO REVIEW AN APPLICATION AND ISSUE OR DENY A LICENSE FOR WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THAT IS CONDITIONED UPON APPROVAL OF A PRESCRIPTION DRUG UNDER FEDERAL LAW WHILE THE FEDERAL APPROVAL PROCESS IS PENDING, upon second reading.

Senator Newton offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (44-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (44-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 436 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; AND TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY, upon second reading.

Senator Britt offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (44-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (44-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 608 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN WHO ARE INCARCERATED, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (44-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 805 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR RIOTING OR INCITING RIOTING THAT CAUSES DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR DEATH AND ASSAULTING EMERGENCY PERSONNEL DURING A RIOT OR STATE OF EMERGENCY; TO ALLOW RECOVERY OF TREBLE DAMAGES FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY CAUSED BY RIOTING OR LOOTING; AND TO REQUIRE PRETRIAL RELEASE CONDITIONS FOR RIOTING AND LOOTING OFFENSES TO BE DETERMINED BY A JUDGE, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (25-19) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 636 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF CHARITABLE DONORS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Sanderson, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (25-19) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 654 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Ballard, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (44-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Pursuant to the message received earlier today that the House of Representatives adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 654, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Britt, the Senate adjourns at 4:44 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, August 26, at 9:30 a.m.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 159,** AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES.
- **S.B. 207,** AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TO MAKE RELATED CHANGES TO THE JUVENILE CODE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN APPROPRIATE MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT TO BE PROVIDED FOR JUVENILES WHO HAVE BEEN ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT.
- S.B. 300, AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL; TO EXPAND TRANSPORTATION OF INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT RESPONDENTS; TO STANDARDIZE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE

COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS; TO PROTECT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO AMEND THE LAW TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE DISCLOSURE OF BODY-WORN CAMERA RECORDINGS RELATED TO DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY; AND TO ESTABLISH THE BIPARTISAN NORTH CAROLINA LEGISLATIVE WORKING GROUP TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE RECODIFICATION OF NORTH CAROLINA'S CRIMINAL LAWS.

- **S.B. 379,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE AN UNREGISTERABLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES.
- **S.B. 421,** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR RECENT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA AND TO CLARIFY THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES ELECTION PROCESS.
- **S.B. 462,** AN ACT AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND LOWER COSTS.
- S.B. 570, AN ACT TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) (STAR RATING) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN OTHER FLEXIBILITIES WHEN THE ERS ASSESSMENTS RESUME, AND TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EARLY EDUCATION TO REPORT ON SPECIFIED CRITERIA.
- **S.B. 693,** AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS AND EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE

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HOME; TO CLARIFY THE NONCARETAKER DEFINITION FOR THE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS LIST; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT A CENTRALIZED HOTLINE FOR CHILD WELFARE INTAKE; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INCREASE APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS; AND TO PROVIDE SAFE AND APPROPRIATE PLACEMENT FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.

- **H.B. 650,** AN ACT TO MAKE MULTIPLE CHANGES TO MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS.
- **H.B. 692,** AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO PASSENGER VEHICLES OPERATING ON HIGHWAYS OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- H.B. 27 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ALL MAGISTRATES RECEIVE THE EDUCATION NECESSARY TO PERFORM THEIR JOBS AND TO REINSTATE THE DISCRETION OF A JUDICIAL OFFICIAL IN SETTING APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS OF PRETRIAL RELEASE FOR A DEFENDANT THAT HAS PREVIOUSLY FAILED TO APPEAR IN COURT FOR THE CHARGES TO WHICH THE CONDITIONS APPLY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COURTS COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 324 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS AND TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 403** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 769** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A BILL OF RIGHTS RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS OF FOSTER PARENTS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.

By Senator Ford for the State and Local Government Committee:

H.B. 476 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STANLY COUNTY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR TWO DISTRICT COURT SEATS IN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 20A, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 143, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF SWAIN COUNTY, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10533, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 229, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10534, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 3 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PARTISAN ELECTORAL DISTRICTS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40661, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 248 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPRING LAKE TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF APPOINTING THE TOWN'S FINANCE OFFICER AND TAX COLLECTOR AND TO CLARIFY THE TOWN'S AUTHORITY TO CONSOLIDATE POSITIONS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40660, which changes the title to read **H.B. 248** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPRING LAKE TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF APPOINTING THE TOWN'S FINANCE OFFICER AND TAX COLLECTOR, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 400 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS AND TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40662, which changes the title to read **H.B. 400** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS, TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT SIX MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BE ELECTED BY ELIGIBLE VOTERS FROM THE DISTRICT THOSE MEMBERS REPRESENT, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, August 26, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 11:30 a.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Lisa S. Barnes, Senator from Nash County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we just come before you today, God, and I worship you as our hope. In a world full of chaos and confusion, with sickness, disease, natural disasters, and political unrest, Lord, you are the one that is steadfast and sure. And your word says that your hand is not too short and your ear is not too heavy to

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hear us, Lord. And so I just lift up our military to you right now, and I pray for your divine protection over them as they put themselves in harm's way, Lord, to protect us and protect innocent lives. I lift up our leaders, God, that you would fill them with the wisdom that only you can give. I thank you, Lord, for everything that's been accomplished this week, for the hard work that's been done, and I just ask for your blessings and protection as we leave this place and go back to our homes. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, August 25, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Batch, Senator Bazemore, Senator Chaudhuri, Senator Daniel, Senator Davis, Senator Harrington, Senator Mayfield, and Senator Rabon.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 636,** AN ACT TO PROTECT THE PRIVACY OF CHARITABLE DONORS.
- **S.B. 654,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 27 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ALL MAGISTRATES RECEIVE THE EDUCATION NECESSARY TO PERFORM THEIR JOBS AND TO REINSTATE THE DISCRETION OF A JUDICIAL OFFICIAL IN SETTING APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS OF PRETRIAL RELEASE FOR A DEFENDANT THAT HAS PREVIOUSLY FAILED TO APPEAR IN COURT FOR THE CHARGES TO WHICH THE CONDITIONS APPLY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COURTS COMMISSION, upon second reading.

Senator Britt offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (42-0) and changes the title to read, **H.B. 27** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ALL MAGISTRATES RECEIVE THE EDUCATION NECESSARY TO PERFORM THE DUTY OF A MAGISTRATE.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 324 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS AND TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (25-17) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 403 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES, upon second reading.

Without objection, Senator Burgin is excused from voting on the bill because he is the owner of a dealership.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (41-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 769 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A BILL OF RIGHTS RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS OF FOSTER PARENTS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

S.B. 228 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Edwards, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (42-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 542 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS

FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Burgin, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill (0-42) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Burgin, the Senate adjourns at 12:28 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, August 30, at 4:00 p.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Ballard for the Education/Higher Education Committee:

H.B. 91 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3, 30467, which changes the title to read **H.B. 91** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Perry for the **Health Care Committee**:

H.B. 447, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROTECTING THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS BY PRESERVING THEIR RIGHT TO RECEIVE VISITS BY CLERGY MEMBERS DURING HOSPITAL STAYS THAT OCCUR DURING A DECLARED DISASTER OR EMERGENCY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 711 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE NORTH CAROLINA COMPASSIONATE CARE ACT, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 3, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 4.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill No. 4, 45459, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 4 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- S.B. 301, AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF UP TO THREE NONVIOLENT FELONIES, TO EXPAND THE DEFINITION FOR THE TERM "NONVIOLENT FELONY," TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL TO FILE A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION ON BEHALF OF A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO EXPUNGE CERTAIN OFFENSES COMMITTED UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN, AND TO ALLOW ACCESS TO EXPUNCTION RECORDS FOR DETERMINING CONDITIONAL DISCHARGE ELIGIBILITY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 26, 2021 S.L. 2021-118)
- **S.B. 35,** AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWFUL AGE OF MARRIAGE TO SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM FOUR-YEAR AGE DIFFERENCE FOR A SIXTEEN OR SEVENTEEN YEAR-OLD TO MARRY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 26, 2021 S.L. 2021-119)

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, August 30, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. We pray that you'll guide and direct us here today and this week. Protect the folks in the mountains as they get ready for a lot more rain coming up and other folks in our state. Bless those in Louisiana and other states that are dealing with power outages, Lord, and death and destruction. God, help them. Help them through this period. We thank you for all that you do for us. We praise you in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, August 26, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 4:07 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, August 31, at 9:30 a.m.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 228, AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Lee and Ballard (Primary Sponsors):

S.R. 735, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ELECT MEMBERS TO THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 211, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, for concurrence in House Amendment No. 1.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 3 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PARTISAN ELECTORAL DISTRICTS, with a favorable report.

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- H.B. 24 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 143** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF SWAIN COUNTY, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 181** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 229** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 476** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STANLY COUNTY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR TWO DISTRICT COURT SEATS IN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 20A, with a favorable report.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

S.B. 191 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, with House Amendment No. 1.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in House Amendment No. 1 to S.B. 191 on August 24, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Daniel, Chair; Senator Britt, Senator Perry and Senator Crawford as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

S.B. 542 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill for S.B. 542 on August 26, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Burgin, Chair; Senator Ballard, Senator Krawiec and Senator Davis as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 415,** AN ACT TO UPDATE VARIOUS LAWS OF THE PRACTICE AND LICENSURE OF CHIROPRACTIC. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-120)
- **H.B. 489,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE VARIOUS BUILDING CODE AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATORY REFORMS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-121)
- **S.B. 316,** AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FOR PLUMBING, HEATING, FIRE SPRINKLER, AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-122)
- **S.B. 207,** AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE JUVENILE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT ACT BASED ON LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JURISDICTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, TO MAKE RELATED CHANGES TO THE JUVENILE CODE, AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN APPROPRIATE MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT TO BE PROVIDED FOR JUVENILES WHO HAVE BEEN ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-123)
- S.B. 314, AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AVOID AND CORRECT FISCAL DISTRESS THAT REQUIRES THAT THE IMPACT OF CHANGES TO SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION FORMULAS BE DELAYED UNTIL THE FISCAL YEAR FOLLOWING THE INITIAL DECISION; TO MANDATE THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION BE INCLUDED IN THE PETITION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WHEN A NEW MUNICIPALITY IS PROPOSED; TO ADD OPTIONAL SOURCES FOR TRAINING FOR FINANCE OFFICERS; TO ALLOW THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MANDATE SPECIALIZED TRAINING FOR CITY AND COUNTY MANAGERS WHEN A UNIT IS EXHIBITING

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- FISCAL DISTRESS; TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR A MUNICIPALITY TO INITIATE A TRANSITION TO RECOVER FROM FINANCIAL DISTRESS; AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO TRANSFER THE ASSETS, LIABILITIES. AND OTHER **OBLIGATIONS** AND MUNICIPALITIES DETERMINED TO BE IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 - S.L. 2021-124)
- **S.B. 159,** AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-125)
- **S.B. 379,** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO ISSUE AN UNREGISTERABLE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR CERTAIN VEHICLES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-126)
- S.B. 570, AN ACT TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) (STAR RATING) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN OTHER FLEXIBILITIES WHEN THE ERS ASSESSMENTS RESUME, AND TO REQUIRE THE DIVISION OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EARLY EDUCATION TO REPORT ON SPECIFIED CRITERIA. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-127)
- **H.B. 692,** AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO PASSENGER VEHICLES OPERATING ON HIGHWAYS OR PUBLIC VEHICULAR AREAS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-128)
- **S.B. 462,** AN ACT AMENDING CERTIFICATE OF NEED LAWS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND LOWER COSTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-129)
- **S.B. 654,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN RESPONSE TO THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PANDEMIC. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, August 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-130)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, August 31, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 91** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 248** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPRING LAKE TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF APPOINTING THE TOWN'S FINANCE OFFICER AND TAX COLLECTOR, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 447**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROTECTING THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS BY PRESERVING THEIR RIGHT TO RECEIVE VISITS BY CLERGY MEMBERS DURING HOSPITAL STAYS THAT OCCUR DURING A DECLARED DISASTER OR EMERGENCY, with a favorable report.

By Senator Daniel for the Finance Committee:

S.B. 388, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE EXEMPTION FOR FARMERS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN SALES BY A QUALIFYING FARMER FOR A ZOO, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15329, which changes the title to read **S.B. 388** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE EXEMPTION FOR FARMERS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN SALES BY A QUALIFYING FARMER FOR A ZOO, TO EXEMPT QUALIFYING ITEMS FROM SALES TAX IF PURCHASED BY

A WILDLIFE MANAGER FOR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES, AND TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE PROPERTY TAXATION OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION LAND, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Johnson for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 110 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION THRESHOLD FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES AND FARM BUILDINGS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30472, which changes the title to read **H.B. 110** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Our God, our Father, we thank thee and we love thee as the creator of all good and beautiful gifts. We thank you for this opportunity to serve thy name and to serve thee and the Great North State. We ask that you'd be with us in all of our deliberations. These things we pray in your Son, Christ Jesus', name. Thank you. And all of the people said, 'Amen."

Senator Rabon announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, August 30, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Berger, and Senator Mayfield.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- H.B. 436, AN ACT TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; AND TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY.
- H.B. 536, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; AND TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.R. 735, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ELECT MEMBERS TO THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on August 30.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the resolution is placed on today's calendar as the first item to be taken up.

CALENDAR

Bills and a resolution on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.R. 735, A SENATE RESOLUTION TO ELECT MEMBERS TO THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Lee, the resolution is adopted (47-0). The vote is confirmed *viva voce*. The chair announces that Lisa B. Estep and Thomas F. Looney have been duly elected to serve on the State Board of Community Colleges. The House of Representatives is notified by special message.

H.B. 24 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 47, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---47.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill remains on the calendar for Wednesday, September 1, upon third reading.

H.B. 3 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PARTISAN ELECTORAL DISTRICTS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 143 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT RELATING TO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF SWAIN COUNTY, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 229 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Senate Committee Substitute bill will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

H.B. 181 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 476 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STANLY COUNTY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR TWO DISTRICT COURT SEATS IN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 20A, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (47-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 211, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS, for concurrence in House Amendment No. 1.

Upon motion of Senator Newton, the Senate concurs in House Amendment No. 1 (46-1) and the bill, as amended, is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Upon motion of Senator deViere, the names of the United States service members lost in Afghanistan on Thursday, August 26, 2021, are spread upon the Journal, as follows:

Staff Sgt. Darin T. Hoover Sgt. Johanny Rosariopichardo Cpl. Hunter Lopez Cpl. Daegan W. Page Cpl. Humberto A. Sanchez Lance Cpl. David L. Espinoza Lance Cpl. Jared M. Schmitz Lance Cpl. Rylee J. McCollum Lance Cpl. Dylan R. Merola Lance Cpl. Kareem M. Nikoui Navy Hospitalman Maxton W. Soviak Sgt. Nicole L. Gee Army Staff Sgt. Ryan C. Knauss

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, seconded by Senator deViere, the Senate adjourns at 4:26 p.m., in honor and in memory of Staff Sgt. Darin T. Hoover, Sgt. Johanny Rosariopichardo, Cpl. Hunter Lopez, Cpl. Daegan W. Page, Cpl. Humberto A. Sanchez, Lance Cpl. David L. Espinoza, Lance Cpl. Jared M. Schmitz, Lance Cpl. Rylee J. McCollum, Lance Cpl. Dylan R. Merola, Lance Cpl. Kareem M. Nikoui, Navy Hospitalman Maxton W. Soviak, Sgt. Nicole L. Gee, and Army Staff Sgt. Ryan C. Knauss, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, September 1, at 9:30 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 531, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 661, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT QUALIFIED YOUTH FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER MAY ENROLL IN COURSES IN FIRE TRAINING AT COMMUNITY COLLEGES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 6.

The bill is re-referred to the **Education/Higher Education Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 31, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that **H.B. 352** (Ratified), AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT OCCUPANTS OF ACCOMMODATIONS PROVIDED BY HOTELS, MOTELS, OR SIMILAR LODGINGS DO NOT CREATE A TENANCY AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO CHAPTER 42 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND TO CLARIFY THAT THESE OCCUPANCIES ARE GOVERNED BY THE STATUTES RELATING TO INNS, HOTELS, AND OTHER TRANSIENT OCCUPANCIES, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on August 30, 2021 and was returned to the House of Representatives with the attached veto message.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Governor's objections and veto message can be found in the Addendum.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 31, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that **H.B. 398 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO REPEAL PISTOL PURCHASE PERMITS, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on August 30, 2021 and was returned to the House of Representatives with the attached veto message.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Governor's objections and veto message can be found in the Addendum.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 31, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 542 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative McNeill, Chair Representative Lambeth Representative Hurley and Representative Gill

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives August 31, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in House Amendment No. 1 for **S.B. 191 Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Lambeth, Chair Representative Dixon Representative Potts and Representative Cunningham

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to Senator Rabon's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, September 1, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 211, AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS.

H.B. 27, AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ALL MAGISTRATES RECEIVE THE EDUCATION NECESSARY TO PERFORM THE DUTY OF A MAGISTRATE.

- H.B. 95, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE TO REVIEW AN APPLICATION AND ISSUE OR DENY A LICENSE FOR WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THAT IS CONDITIONED UPON APPROVAL OF A PRESCRIPTION DRUG UNDER FEDERAL LAW WHILE THE FEDERAL APPROVAL PROCESS IS PENDING.
- H.B. 351, AN ACT DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH VISITATION PROTOCOLS FOR NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, AND ADULT CARE HOMES, INCLUDING FAMILY CARE HOMES, DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND REQUIRING THESE FACILITIES TO ADHERE TO THE ESTABLISHED VISITATION PROTOCOLS DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES WHEN NORMAL VISITATION POLICIES ARE SUSPENDED OR CURTAILED.
- **H.B. 403**, AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES.
- **H.B. 476,** AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STANLY COUNTY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR TWO DISTRICT COURT SEATS IN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 20A.
- **H.B. 608,** AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN WHO ARE INCARCERATED.
- **H.B. 769,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE A BILL OF RIGHTS RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS OF FOSTER PARENTS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA.
- H.B. 805, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR RIOTING OR INCITING RIOTING THAT CAUSES DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR DEATH AND ASSAULTING EMERGENCY PERSONNEL DURING A RIOT OR STATE OF EMERGENCY; TO ALLOW RECOVERY OF TREBLE DAMAGES FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY CAUSED BY RIOTING OR LOOTING; AND TO REQUIRE PRETRIAL RELEASE CONDITIONS FOR RIOTING AND LOOTING OFFENSES TO BE DETERMINED BY A JUDGE.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 733, AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.J.R. 730, A JOINT RESOLUTION CONFIRMING KATHERINE M.R. BOSKEN AS COMMISSIONER OF BANKS. (Res. 2021-9)

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator McInnis for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 685, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSUMER FINANCE ACT TO ALLOW THE RECOVERY OF ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEES IMPOSED BY THIRD PARTIES AND TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF OFFICIAL FEES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

By Senator Britt for the **Judiciary Committee**:

H.B. 264 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY, TO CLARIFY THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS, AND TO CLARIFY STATEWIDE QUARANTINES, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30475, which changes the title to read **H.B. 264** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY, TO CLARIFY THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS, AND TO CLARIFY STATEWIDE QUARANTINES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 320 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MEETINGS BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT ALL BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY UNLESS PROHIBITED IN THEIR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10535, which changes the title to read **H.B. 320** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MEETINGS BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT ALL BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY UNLESS PROHIBITED IN THEIR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS FORMED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1989, FROM BEING REQUIRED TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE CLASS OF SHARES WITH UNLIMITED VOTING RIGHTS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Burgin, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 542** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives September 1, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **S.B. 542 (Conference Report)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator McInnis for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 890 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION LAWS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30474, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Lord, remind us daily why we are here: to do good, not harm, and to help people have better lives. Examine our hearts and turn them towards you. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, August 31, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Batch, Senator Bazemore, Senator Jarvis, Senator Krawiec, Senator Mayfield, and Senator Rabon.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Ford submits a Senatorial Statement, entitled, "HONORING THE SERVICE AND MEMORY OF PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HENRY ELLIS." Upon motion of Senator Ford, without objection, the Senatorial Statement is spread upon the Journal. (See Appendix.)

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Hise, the Conference Report for **S.B. 542** is placed on today's calendar as the last item to be taken up, for adoption.

CONVEYANCE OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Hise, without objection, all bills that pass the Senate today will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

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CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 24 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE, upon third reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 44, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Berger, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Johnson, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---44.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 248 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPRING LAKE TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF APPOINTING THE TOWN'S FINANCE OFFICER AND TAX COLLECTOR, upon second reading.

Senator deViere offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (44-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (44-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 91 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, upon second reading.

Upon the appearance of Senators Jarvis and Krawiec in the chamber, the Chair acknowledges their presence and the leaves of absence granted previously are withdrawn.

Senator Johnson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (46-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3, as amended, passes its second reading (32-14).

Senator Sawyer objects to third reading of the measure. Pursuant to Rule 50, the Chair orders the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3, as amended, placed on the calendar of Friday, September 3, upon third reading.

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H.B. 447, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROTECTING THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS BY PRESERVING THEIR RIGHT TO RECEIVE VISITS BY CLERGY MEMBERS DURING HOSPITAL STAYS THAT OCCUR DURING A DECLARED DISASTER OR EMERGENCY, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 542 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Burgin, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (46-0). The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Pursuant to the message received earlier today that the House of Representatives adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 542, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Johnson, the Senate adjourns at 4:50 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Friday, September 3, at 9:00 a.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 91 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, as amended.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3, as amended, is withdrawn from the calendar of Friday, September 3, and placed on the calendar of Wednesday, September 8.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 733, AN ACT TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. (Became law upon ratification, September 1, 2021 - S.L. 2021-131)

S.B. 693, AN ACT TO AMEND VARIOUS ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND DEPENDENCY LAWS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS AND EXPEDITE PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARINGS FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE HOME; TO CLARIFY THE NONCARETAKER DEFINITION FOR THE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS LIST; TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES, TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPLEMENT A CENTRALIZED HOTLINE FOR CHILD WELFARE INTAKE; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INCREASE APPROPRIATE TREATMENT AND RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS; AND TO PROVIDE SAFE AND APPROPRIATE PLACEMENT FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 1, 2021 - S.L. 2021-132)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Friday, September 3, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Jim Perry, Senator from Lenoir County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for yet another day you've given us. We pray that you'll continue to be with our troops as they defend our freedoms around the world. Be with law enforcement in this country, and help us, God, to do your will, to do what we should do in your eyes. Bless us today, keep us safe, Father. We praise you in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, September 1, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

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- **S.B. 60,** AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN RULES RELATED TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION.
- S.B. 99, AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT, UNLESS THE CONDUCT IS COVERED UNDER ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW PROVIDING GREATER PUNISHMENT, LARCENY OF A CATALYTIC CONVERTER IS A CLASS I FELONY, TO REQUIRE SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS TO MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC RECORD OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FROM TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE SALE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, TO INCLUDE A FINE AS PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS INVOLVING THE PURCHASE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, TO PROVIDE THAT SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN ONLY PURCHASE CATALYTIC CONVERTERS FROM CERTAIN PEOPLE AND ONLY SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN PURCHASE USED CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES.
- **S.B. 321**, AN ACT REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT.
- S.B. 542, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS.
- H.B. 324, AN ACT TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS AND TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT.
- **H.B. 447,** AN ACT PROTECTING THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS BY PRESERVING THEIR RIGHT TO RECEIVE VISITS BY CLERGY MEMBERS DURING HOSPITAL STAYS THAT OCCUR DURING A DECLARED DISASTER OR EMERGENCY.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 229, AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Perry, the Senate adjourns at 9:04 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, September 7, at 3:00 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 389 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NATURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND CULTURAL RESOURCES LAWS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, September 8.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of bills as follows:

H.B. 402 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Judiciary Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Transportation Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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S.B. 550, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY QUALIFICATIONS AND TESTING PROCEDURES FOR BAIL BONDSMEN AND RUNNERS AND TO MODIFY VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATED TO BAIL BOND FORFEITURES AND BAIL BOND SURETIES, referred to the **Judiciary Committee** on July 14, with a sequential referral to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

A sequential referral to the **Finance Committee** is added between the existing referrals.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 421,** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY FOR IN-STATE TUITION FOR RECENT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA AND TO CLARIFY THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES ELECTION PROCESS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-133)
- **H.B. 650,** AN ACT TO MAKE MULTIPLE CHANGES TO MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-134)
- H.B. 95, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE TO REVIEW AN APPLICATION AND ISSUE OR DENY A LICENSE FOR WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THAT IS CONDITIONED UPON APPROVAL OF A PRESCRIPTION DRUG UNDER FEDERAL LAW WHILE THE FEDERAL APPROVAL PROCESS IS PENDING. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-135)
- H.B. 436, AN ACT TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; AND TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-136)
- H.B. 536, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; AND TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 2, 2021 S.L. 2021-137)

S.B. 300, AN ACT TO INCREASE PROTECTIONS, TRAINING, AND OVERSIGHT FOR STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO CREATE A DECERTIFICATION DATABASE; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S NEXT GENERATION IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM AND RAP BACK SERVICE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT; TO REQUIRE REPORTING RELATED TO GIGLIO MATERIAL; TO EXPAND TRANSPORTATION OF INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT RESPONDENTS; TO **STANDARDIZE** ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND ONGOING REQUIREMENTS; TO REQUIRE PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS PRIOR TO CERTIFICATION OR EMPLOYMENT; TO EDUCATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MAINTAINING GOOD MENTAL HEALTH, AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES AVAILABLE; TO CREATE A PHYSICAL FITNESS STUDY; TO DECRIMINALIZE CERTAIN LOCAL ORDINANCES AND PROVIDE COMPLIANCE AS A DEFENSE TO AN ORDINANCE VIOLATION; TO MANDATE MISDEMEANOR FIRST APPEARANCES WHEN A DEFENDANT IS IN CUSTODY; TO REQUIRE USE OF THE NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX MAINTAINED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DIRECTORS ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS AND TRAINING IN THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL; TO ESTABLISH A DUTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO INTERVENE IN AND REPORT EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE; TO ADDRESS CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES WITH SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING RAISED IN STATE VERSUS GRADY AND CREATE A PROCESS TO REVIEW WHETHER OFFENDERS SUBJECT TO THAT CASE WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM SATELLITE-BASED MONITORING ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE; TO REMOVE THE STANDARDS COMMISSIONS FROM A NONEXCLUSIVE LIST OF STATE AGENCY LICENSING BOARDS; TO PROTECT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; TO AMEND THE LAW TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE DISCLOSURE OF BODY-WORN CAMERA RECORDINGS RELATED TO DEATH OR SERIOUS BODILY INJURY; AND TO ESTABLISH THE BIPARTISAN NORTH CAROLINA LEGISLATIVE WORKING GROUP TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE RECODIFICATION OF NORTH CAROLINA'S CRIMINAL LAWS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 2, 2021 - S.L. 2021-138)

H.B. 229, AN ACT TO EXTEND THE TERM OF MAYOR FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS IN THE TOWN OF CAROLINA SHORES. (Became law upon ratification, September 3, 2021 - S.L. 2021-139)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, September 7, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County, as follows:

"Dear Lord, we thank you, again, for this day, and we thank you for the Labor Day weekend we've had and enjoyed. Lord, I pray that you'd protect folks if they're still on vacation, and protect them as they go back to their homes. We continue to pray for our folks that are in Afghanistan and especially the ones that are stranded at the airport. We hope that you get them away from there safely. Lord, also, as we're coming up on this Saturday and 9/11, be with all those families that have to relive that and suffer with it again. Lord, your peace and mercy is their only hope. I ask that you give that to them. We ask all this in your Son, Jesus', name. Amen."

Senator Burgin announces that the Senate Journal of Friday, September 3, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Burgin, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 3:03 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, September 8, at 9:30 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

A vetoed bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, was returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate, as follows:

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 636, "An Act to Protect the Privacy of Charitable Donors."

This legislation is unnecessary and may limit transparency with political contributions.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 3rd day of September 2021, at 10:14 a.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Senator Rabon orders the bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **S.B. 388** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE EXEMPTION FOR FARMERS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN SALES BY A QUALIFYING FARMER FOR A ZOO, TO EXEMPT QUALIFYING ITEMS FROM SALES TAX IF PURCHASED BY A WILDLIFE MANAGER FOR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES, AND TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE PROPERTY TAXATION OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION LAND, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 103** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 110** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 264** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY, TO CLARIFY THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS, AND TO CLARIFY STATEWIDE QUARANTINES, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 320 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MEETINGS BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT ALL BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY UNLESS PROHIBITED IN THEIR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS FORMED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1989, FROM BEING REQUIRED TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE CLASS OF SHARES WITH UNLIMITED VOTING RIGHTS, with a favorable report.

H.B. 685, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSUMER FINANCE ACT TO ALLOW THE RECOVERY OF ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEES IMPOSED BY THIRD PARTIES AND TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF OFFICIAL FEES, with a favorable report.

H.B. 890 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION LAWS, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 854, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS, TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES, AND TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES AGAINST TENANTS WITH SERVICE ANIMALS OR SUPPORT ANIMALS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 12.

The bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Judiciary Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Burgin's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, September 8, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Kevin Corbin, Senator from Macon County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day. It is indeed the day you have made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Lord, I want to stop, just now, and thank you for these colleagues in this room. Thank you for their lives, their service, and their love for our state. God, we ask a special blessing now on folks in our state that are suffering with the coronavirus and those who tend to them. God, we ask for wisdom as we move forward. We pray for health; we pray for safety. God, bless our efforts to faithfully serve the citizens of this state. God, we ask for wisdom and your divine blessing. In Jesus' name we pray. And all God's people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, September 7, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Alexander, Senator Bazemore, Senator Garrett, Senator Mayfield, Senator Mohammed, Senator Nickel, Senator Robinson, and Senator Salvador.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, **H.B. 890** and **S.B. 389** are withdrawn from the regular order of business and placed at the beginning of today's calendar.

CONVEYANCE OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, **H.B. 890** will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message upon its passage, and **S.B. 389** will be sent to the Governor by special message upon its passage.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 890 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION LAWS, upon second reading.

Senator Johnson offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (42-0).

Senator Craven offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (42-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (35-7) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

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S.B. 389 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NATURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND CULTURAL RESOURCES LAWS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (42-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor by special message.

S.B. 388 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXPAND THE EXEMPTION FOR FARMERS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN SALES BY A QUALIFYING FARMER FOR A ZOO, TO EXEMPT QUALIFYING ITEMS FROM SALES TAX IF PURCHASED BY A WILDLIFE MANAGER FOR WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES, AND TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE PROPERTY TAXATION OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION LAND, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives.

H.B. 103 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS, upon second reading.

Senator Edwards offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (42-0).

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2, as amended, passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1.

H.B. 110 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (28-14) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, upon second reading.

Senator Jarvis offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (41-1).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (35-7) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1.

H.B. 264 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY, TO CLARIFY THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS, AND TO CLARIFY STATEWIDE QUARANTINES, upon second reading.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (37-5).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (27-15) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 320 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MEETINGS BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT ALL BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY UNLESS PROHIBITED IN THEIR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS FORMED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1989, FROM BEING REQUIRED TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE CLASS OF SHARES WITH UNLIMITED VOTING RIGHTS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (42-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 685, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSUMER FINANCE ACT TO ALLOW THE RECOVERY OF ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEES IMPOSED BY THIRD PARTIES AND TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF OFFICIAL FEES, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (40-2) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Conference Report for **S.B. 257** will, upon its submission, be placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 91 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, as amended, upon third reading.

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The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3, as amended, passes its third reading (28-14) and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3. Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3 will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 389, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NATURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND CULTURAL RESOURCES LAWS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Daniel.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Perry, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 257** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S257-PCCS35329-BC-4.

The Conference Report is placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 257 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Perry, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (41-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Having voted with the majority, Senator Rabon offers a motion that the vote by which the Committee Substitute bill for **H.B. 218** passed its third reading be reconsidered. The motion prevails without objection, and the Committee Substitute bill, as amended, is placed on today's calendar, upon third reading.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, as amended, upon third reading.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Committee Substitute bill, as amended, is withdrawn from today's calendar and re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Davis, the Senate adjourns at 1:33 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, September 9, at 10:00 a.m.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

H.B. 890, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION LAWS.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

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Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on S.B. 257 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

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When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to the Senate having adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 257 earlier today, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the **Judiciary Committee**:

S.B. 550, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY QUALIFICATIONS AND TESTING PROCEDURES FOR BAIL BONDSMEN AND RUNNERS AND TO MODIFY VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATED TO BAIL BOND FORFEITURES AND BAIL BOND SURETIES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15334, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

H.B. 531, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30476, which changes the title to read **H.B. 531** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT AND TO ELIMINATE BOND REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION OF REAL ESTATE EDUCATION PROVIDERS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 854, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY AND REAFFIRM THE STATUTORY AUTHORITY OF LANDLORDS TO RECOVER OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES AND LITIGATION COSTS IN SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDINGS, TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LANDLORD/TENANT STATUTES, AND TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES AGAINST TENANTS WITH SERVICE ANIMALS OR SUPPORT ANIMALS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40663, which changes the title to read **H.B. 854** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE REFORMS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ZONING STATUTES, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 776 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ONLINE NOTARIZATION, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 40664, which changes the title to read **H.B. 776** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, September 9, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day, and we thank you for the badly needed rain we're getting here in this area and at home, and we pray that you'll protect those folks that are south of us getting too much rain. We pray that you'll look after us; keep us physically healthy today and in the coming days and weeks. We thank you for all that you do. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, September 8, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

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ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **H.B. 181,** AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION.
- **H.B. 685,** AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSUMER FINANCE ACT TO ALLOW THE RECOVERY OF ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEES IMPOSED BY THIRD PARTIES AND TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF OFFICIAL FEES.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 3**, AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PARTISAN ELECTORAL DISTRICTS.
- **H.B. 143,** AN ACT RELATING TO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF SWAIN COUNTY.
- **H.B. 248,** AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPRING LAKE TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF APPOINTING THE TOWN'S FINANCE OFFICER AND TAX COLLECTOR.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 10:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, September 13, at 3:00 p.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Sanderson for the Judiciary Committee:

H.B. 402 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE

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THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 257, AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 3,** AN ACT TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PARTISAN ELECTORAL DISTRICTS. (Became law upon ratification, September 9, 2021 S.L. 2021-140)
- **H.B. 143**, AN ACT RELATING TO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF SHERIFF OF SWAIN COUNTY. (Became law upon ratification, September 9, 2021 S.L. 2021-141)
- **H.B. 248,** AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPRING LAKE TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF APPOINTING THE TOWN'S FINANCE OFFICER AND TAX COLLECTOR. (Became law upon ratification, September 9, 2021 S.L. 2021-142)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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ONE HUNDRED THIRTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, September 13, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day you've given us. Thank you for your grace and love. We pray that you'll continue to bless our great state. Keep us safe here as we do your work this week. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, September 9, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Alexander, the Senate adjourns at 3:05 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, September 14, at 1:00 p.m.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 608,** AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DIGNITY OF WOMEN WHO ARE INCARCERATED. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-143)
- **H.B. 769,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE A BILL OF RIGHTS RECOGNIZING THE RIGHTS OF FOSTER PARENTS IN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-144)
- H.B. 351, AN ACT DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH VISITATION PROTOCOLS FOR NURSING HOMES, COMBINATION HOMES, AND ADULT CARE HOMES, INCLUDING FAMILY CARE HOMES, DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND REQUIRING THESE FACILITIES TO ADHERE TO THE ESTABLISHED VISITATION PROTOCOLS DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES WHEN NORMAL VISITATION POLICIES ARE SUSPENDED OR CURTAILED. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-145)

- **H.B. 27,** AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT ALL MAGISTRATES RECEIVE THE EDUCATION NECESSARY TO PERFORM THE DUTY OF A MAGISTRATE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-146)
- **H.B. 403,** AN ACT TO REVISE AND CLARIFY THE LAWS GOVERNING NEW MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER FRANCHISES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-147)
- **H.B. 476,** AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A STANLY COUNTY RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR TWO DISTRICT COURT SEATS IN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 20A. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-148)
- S.B. 211, AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT IN REGULATED WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS BY AUTHORIZING THE USE OF A WATER AND SEWER INVESTMENT PLAN RATE-MAKING MECHANISM FOR ESTABLISHING RATES OF REGULATED WATER AND SEWER UTILITIES AND TO OTHERWISE AMEND RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISMS FOR WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-149)
- **H.B. 890,** AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL COMMISSION LAWS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-150)
- **S.B. 228,** AN ACT TO LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS AND EXPAND ACCESS BY ALLOWING SMALL BUSINESSES TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE PROVIDER BENEFIT PLANS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-151)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, September 14, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, you've given us another day, and we don't take that lightly, we don't take it for granted. We thank you for keeping us safe and healthy here at the General Assembly. We pray that you will bless everyone on the staff, and we thank you for all the hard work that's going on this week. In Jesus' name, Amen."

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Senator Alexander announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, September 13, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Alexander, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 1:10 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, September 15, at 11:00 a.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives September 13, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that **H.B. 324 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS, AND OTHER SCHOOL EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS AND TO PROHIBIT PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on September 10, 2021 and was returned to the House of Representatives with the attached veto message.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Governor's objections and veto message can be found in the Addendum.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives September 13, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that **H.B. 805 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR RIOTING OR INCITING RIOTING THAT CAUSES DAMAGE TO PROPERTY, SERIOUS BODILY INJURY, OR DEATH AND ASSAULTING EMERGENCY PERSONNEL DURING A RIOT OR STATE OF

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EMERGENCY; TO ALLOW RECOVERY OF TREBLE DAMAGES FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE OR PERSONAL INJURY CAUSED BY RIOTING OR LOOTING; AND TO REQUIRE PRETRIAL RELEASE CONDITIONS FOR RIOTING AND LOOTING OFFENSES TO BE DETERMINED BY A JUDGE, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on September 10, 2021 and was returned to the House of Representatives with the attached veto message.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Governor's objections and veto message can be found in the Addendum.

Pursuant to Senator Alexander's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, September 15, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Norman W. Sanderson, Senator from Pamlico County, as follows:

"Father, we give you honor and glory this morning. God, our only desire today is that at the end of this day, the words 'well done, good and faithful servant' will be on your lips. Lord, we know how much you love us because of the grace that you provide for us. We know how much you love us because of the sacrifice you have to buy us back. So, God, we just want to honor you in everything that we do or say, in all of our thoughts and all of our decisions, because God, there will come a day when we will stand before you and those are the words that we want to hear, 'well done, good and faithful servant.' We love you and we love your Son and our Savior, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, September 14, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Sanderson, the Senate adjourns at 11:06 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, September 16, at 10:00 a.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives September 15, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in Senate Amendment No. 1 for **H.B. 103 Committee Substitute No. 2 (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Stevens, Chair Representative Szoka and Representative Zachary

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 424, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD AND THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROFESSION, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on April 1.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 220 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 1.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Agriculture**, **Energy**, and **Environment Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 761, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING INTO CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES AND FOR THE THEFT OF CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on May 11.

The bill is re-referred to the **Judiciary Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, September 16, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, you've given us another day and we thank you for that. We pray that you will help us today and this week and help our colleagues as they discuss and work on the budget and other things going on in these buildings. Keep us safe, keep us healthy, Father. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, September 15, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 10:04 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, September 20, at 3:00 p.m.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

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S.B. 360, AN ACT TO REQUIRE JOINT APPROVAL FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE BEFORE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY ENTER INTO A CONSENT JUDGMENT OR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN A DISPUTE, CLAIM, OR CONTROVERSY IN WHICH THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE HAVE INTERVENED OR ARE OTHERWISE NAMED PARTIES.

H.B. 320, AN ACT TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MEETINGS BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT ALL BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY UNLESS PROHIBITED IN THEIR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS FORMED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1989, FROM BEING REQUIRED TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE CLASS OF SHARES WITH UNLIMITED VOTING RIGHTS.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 24, AN ACT TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives September 16, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that Representative D. Hall has been added as an additional conferee to **H.B. 103 Committee Substitute No. 2 (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

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APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

H.B. 103 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AUTOMATICALLY RENEWING CONSUMER CONTRACTS.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on September 15 that the House fails to concur in the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for H.B. 103 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Edwards, Chair; Senator Rabon, Senator Johnson and Senator Lowe as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 624 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE INNOVATION COMMISSION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on June 21.

The Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred to the Commerce and Insurance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Finance Committee and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- H.B. 24, AN ACT TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO REMOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE AND TO ANNEX THAT PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE. (Became law upon ratification, September 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-152)
- **S.B. 60,** AN ACT TO REVISE CERTAIN RULES RELATED TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES ADOPTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-153)

- S.B. 99, AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT, UNLESS THE CONDUCT IS COVERED UNDER ANOTHER PROVISION OF LAW PROVIDING GREATER PUNISHMENT, LARCENY OF A CATALYTIC CONVERTER IS A CLASS I FELONY, TO REQUIRE SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS TO MAINTAIN AN ELECTRONIC RECORD OF CERTAIN INFORMATION FROM TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE SALE OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, TO INCLUDE A FINE AS PUNISHMENT FOR CERTAIN VIOLATIONS INVOLVING THE PURCHASE OF **CATALYTIC** CONVERTERS, TO PROVIDE THAT SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN ONLY PURCHASE CATALYTIC CONVERTERS FROM CERTAIN PEOPLE AND ONLY SECONDARY METALS RECYCLERS CAN PURCHASE USED CATALYTIC CONVERTERS, AND TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 16, 2021 - S.L. 2021-154)
- **S.B. 321,** AN ACT REVISING THE NORTH CAROLINA CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-155)
- **H.B. 447,** AN ACT PROTECTING THE RELIGIOUS RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS BY PRESERVING THEIR RIGHT TO RECEIVE VISITS BY CLERGY MEMBERS DURING HOSPITAL STAYS THAT OCCUR DURING A DECLARED DISASTER OR EMERGENCY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-156)
- **S.B. 542,** AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES TO ADOPT A PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE PLAN MEMBERS TO REPORT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS PROVIDING SERVICES TO PLAN MEMBERS AND TO ESTABLISH GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY FINDERS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-157)
- **S.B. 389,** AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NATURAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND CULTURAL RESOURCES LAWS OF THE STATE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 16, 2021 S.L. 2021-158)

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, September 20, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us and another week. We pray that you'll keep us safe this week with rain on the way for our state over the next few days. We pray that you'll protect everyone across our state; protect us physically. We thank you for all that you do and your grace and love. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Lazzara announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, September 16, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Lazzara, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 3:02 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, September 21, at 11:00 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Davis, Blue, and Berger (Primary Sponsors):

S.R. 736, A SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF MARC BASNIGHT, FORMER PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE.

The resolution is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, September 21.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

H.B. 776 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION, referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** on September 8.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is withdrawn from the Commerce and Insurance Committee and re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 357, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE HELPING CONSUMERS IN CRISIS ACT, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on March 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Commerce and Insurance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Finance Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 353 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STAGGER THE TERMS OF THE WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND TO ESTABLISH FOUR-YEAR STAGGERED TERMS WITH ODD-YEAR ELECTIONS FOR THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on August 23.

The Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Redistricting and Elections Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 814, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD OCCUPANTLESS VEHICLES, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on May 12.

The bill is re-referred to the **Transportation Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- H.B. 685, AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSUMER FINANCE ACT TO ALLOW THE RECOVERY OF ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION FEES IMPOSED BY THIRD PARTIES AND TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF OFFICIAL FEES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 20, 2021 S.L. 2021-159)
- **H.B. 181,** AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 20, 2021 S.L. 2021-160)
- **S.B. 257,** AN ACT TO PROMOTE PRICING TRANSPARENCY FOR PATIENTS AND TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS AND CRITERIA FOR THE REGULATION AND LICENSURE OF PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS PROVIDING SERVICES FOR HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS IN NORTH CAROLINA. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 20, 2021 S.L. 2021-161)

H.B. 320, AN ACT TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT MEETINGS BY MEANS OF REMOTE COMMUNICATION FOR CERTAIN ENTITIES, TO AUTHORIZE NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS TO CONDUCT ALL BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY UNLESS PROHIBITED IN THEIR ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDING LANGUAGE, AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS FORMED PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1989, FROM BEING REQUIRED TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE CLASS OF SHARES WITH UNLIMITED VOTING RIGHTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, September 20, 2021 - S.L. 2021-162)

Pursuant to Senator Lazzara's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, September 21, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Reverend Paul A. Lowe, Jr., Senator from Forsyth County, as follows:

"Thou who art eternal, thou who we call 'Father' that sometimes acts as our mother, we thank thee and we love thee for all that you do for our lives. We thank thee for those that have served the 'Old North State' and continue to show their pride and concern for its development. Now we ask that you'd continue to wrap your arms of protection around each and every one of us. Continue to be with us. These things we pray in the name of he that orders our steps and meets us with mercy. And all of the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, September 20, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The President extends courtesies of the floor to former senators who served with Senator Marc Basnight and to the daughters of Senator Marc Basnight, Caroline Basnight and Vicki Basnight.

The President extends courtesies of the gallery to the family, friends, and former staff members of Senator Marc Basnight.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Britt, Senator Chaudhuri, Senator Galey, Senator Mayfield, Senator Perry, and Senator Proctor.

CALENDAR

A resolution on today's calendar is taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.R. 736, A SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF MARC BASNIGHT, FORMER PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, for adoption.

The resolution is read in its entirety.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, the words spoken on S.R. 736 are spread upon the Journal as follows:

SENATOR DAVIS: "Mr. President, members, former colleagues, to the residents of this great state, and above all to Caroline, Vicki, to the Basnight family. I rise today to pay special tribute to the former President Pro Tem of the North Carolina Senate, the Honorable Marc Basnight. Senator Basnight was a champion for eastern North Carolina and our great state—literally from Murphy to Manteo. He was an outstanding statesman, gentleman, and just downright an incredible human being. It is indeed an honor to join so many colleagues that have come today from across the state, who have had the opportunity of serving with Marc and those who have walked the halls—staffers of this great institution—to celebrate his life. Marc came from humble beginnings to become one of the most influential political figures in our state's history. And speaking of history, Marc took enormous pride in representing the Outer Banks, the Albemarle and Pamlico Sound region—our most historic district. With limited formal education, he became a champion for our university system. He understood the value of a good education. Marc was a staunch advocate for good health care—and in particular after Sandy's passing. He was also a leader on environmental issues, transportation, and he guided our transitioning economy. His coastal voice—that coastal voice, that smile, and even that laugh, they were signature. Marc was one of the greatest legislators of all time. He worked hard to connect with residents. As Governor Cooper understands so well, Marc mentored and groomed leaders. We see so many who are here that benefit from knowing Marc and his leadership. His life was about people—the people of North Carolina. It was no secret that Marc seldom traveled straight home. He would make so many stops along the way to talk to strangers, to say hello, to stay in touch. I recall, actually, one time I had reached out to him and asked him to come to Greene County, and he made a stop. When I saw that Ford Explorer pulling in, I said, 'Yes, he's here!' Marc would come in the room, he would look and engage, and he enjoyed speaking to

constituents. And matter of fact, I remember on that occasion that he spoke to one constituent of mine that was very important to me and that was my grandmother. After meeting my grandmother, I kid you not-I did share this earlier that I believe my grandmother had a crush, from there on, on Marc. I remember coming to my grandma's house and she would always ask, 'How's Marc doing?' That was before she asked how I was doing. But that was the Basnight charm, and indeed he was charming. Marc was just an amazing person, and, hear this, I am sure we all remember where we were and what was going on when we received the call. It was my grandmother that called me to share the news-my grandma. In life we read about extraordinary leaders in history books. Like so many here today, it was an honor to watch Marc write North Carolina history, and he did it literally before our very eyes. So as we reflect now on so many stories and the times we spent with Marc, this is indeed a time we celebrate his life. I was speaking with George Daniel earlier, and he was telling me the story when he was a roommate and Marc was taking a little too long in the shower, and he was saying, 'Marc, come on, hurry up!' I can't tell you the rest of the story. Well, Clark Jenkins, I saw you, Clark, earlier, and I am reminded of the account—this is classic—an account between Marc and David Hoyle on taxes. They were talking about sales taxes on haircuts. So the story goes something like this—and you have to hear it firsthand from Clark-so Marc says, 'David Hoyle, you spend \$200 for your haircut, you can afford to pay a little more.' Now, those who knew David knew he was staunch business, as Marc was too. He wasn't going to let that go. David stood up and he said, 'But, Marc, there's only one problem. All of your haircuts combined cost \$200.' So many just amazing stories. I was talking to Caroline earlier, and this is what she said that Marc said—and I'm going to try to do it in the Marc voice—'When I'm gone, then tell 'em all.' As I think of Marc, his imprint on this state, with each vehicle crossing the Marc Basnight Bridge, with each cancer patient who has just one more day on this earth, the students who have crossed the graduation stages across this state, we come to not only say 'Farewell,' but to say, 'Thank you, Marc Basnight.' Marc taught us to value people. He was the peoples' President Pro Tem. It's the people who make us who we are and who we aspire to become as a state. We are reminded today that we are North Carolina. We are North Carolina. And, Senator Berger, you remember-and it didn't happen as often, but it happened-when we held committee meetings around the desks right here in the chamber. Some of y'all participated in those. I might imagine right now we have Tony Rand—now that was an interesting voice too-Vernon Malone, Katie Dorsett, Don East, Steve Goss, Jim Forrester, John Kerr, Jean Preston-we called her 'Pookie' back home—Kay Hagan, Ed Jones, Jeanne Lucas, and others, who are perhaps gathering once again around a desk, and I must imagine that sitting in the dead center is Marc Basnight with that smile and laugh. Governor Hunt, I believe, said it best, 'Marc's legacy was building North Carolina. Marc's legacy was representing the people with integrity, with a commitment to them that is historic. Marc's legacy was a big old vision.' I say to Amy Fulk—you were Marc's chief of staff—thank you for assisting me today with this tribute. You took care of Marc in the corner office and as he transitioned, and now, Amy, you have officially

hung in there with him and his family until the end. Well done. I am confident Marc is grateful. Without a doubt, Marc Basnight passionately loved people. He loved our state. Marc loved the North Carolina Senate and all that it meant. Above all—above all—he loved his family—Sandy, his daughters. Poppy loved his grandchildren. Vicki and Caroline, vour father was passionate about his service. you know that. And I am sure that there were times you wanted him a little closer to you. You were sharing a story a little earlier about coming over to the General Assembly. Just know this, from a grateful state, we appreciate you sharing him with us. He made North Carolina a better place. Marc was worth his salt. Mr. President, I am glad to commemorate the life of President Pro Tem Marc Basnight, a person known for his coastal voice, his restaurant, jokes, gentleness, and above all his deep love for the residents of North Carolina. Marc left his mark on our state. He wanted to help people. He wanted to help. Amy was sharing an account where he had gone somewhere and told them, 'If I can help you,' and the person called. It didn't matter the district, it didn't matter the party. Look who is here today. I even saw Fletcher, Fletcher, I was looking at you, and I said you might be doing this in honor of Marc today. Well, I want to leave you with these words. Marc's daughters, when they were dedicating the bridge, shared a letter. I just want to read and leave us today with a portion of the letter that Marc penned. 'Bridges bring people together and never divide. So to all people in the great state of North Carolina who helped make our bridge a new must see in America, with much grateful love, Marc.' Marc was that bridge for all of us and to bring us together, once again, today. Vicki, Caroline, and to your entire family, may God bless you, may God bless you. May God continue to bless the Old North State."

SENATOR BLUE: "I just want to share a few brief remarks and memories of Marc as we go through this observance today. First, he was a son of North Carolina and all of its many ways. He had salt water in his veins, for those who knew him. Few people that I've met in my lifetime had a deeper and more abiding love of the North Carolina coast than Marc Basnight. But, you know, that love extended from Murphy to Manteo. It wasn't just the coast. He may have been more visible in advocating for it. But as the longest serving leader of the Senate, Marc was instrumental in leading our state into the twenty-first century, and not only leading us into the twenty-first century, but helping us adapt for the first decade as we came into the twenty-first century. He left so much, but he led the charge to strengthen public universities, our transportation system, and our environment. You've heard some of the stories. It shocks people when they realize—and Marc bragged about it—you need you understand, when I first met Marc—I knew who he was because of his service on the DOT board—but when I first met him in '84, he said, 'Dan, you and I graduated from high school the same year.' I graduated from a little high school in Robeson County in 1966 in southeastern North Carolina. Marc graduated from Manteo in northeastern North Carolina. But he said, 'It's been eighteen years, and a whole lot has changed, a little bit different than when we graduated. I mean we're still going through changing schools and the way they look.' Because Marc, like I, went to a totally segregated high school. As we were talking about it, I developed a real appreciation for Marc. I respected him, as a young legislator, and him a young legislator, so we had plenty of time on our hands to talk about whatever we wanted to, as long as we just showed up in time to vote for the budget, that's about what we did. So I would talk to him as we would move through, and the important thing that I learned was Marc's ability to stay connected to the people in North Carolina, not just to people in northeastern North Carolina. But, heck, I would go out in my district as a House member here in Wake County, which involved some of the rural areas—well, in fact, it was county-wide, at one point, I represented the entire county. Heck, Marc had been moving around talking to folk in my constituency all over, telling me what their concerns were, and I would confirm them. He was interested in listening to everybody, anywhere in North Carolina who had a concern. And I thought that that was tremendous. But I was talking about education. Marc used to brag about it, he said, 'You know, you went on and got all this education.' He said, 'I was grateful to be the last place student at Manteo High School.' I'm serious, that's what he said. I said, 'And nobody, Marc, could have done as tremendous a job as you did whether they were the first-place student at any university in the United States or anywhere else.' And I genuinely meant that. But back in-must have been '93-Marc was the Appropriations Chairnot '93, '92—Marc was the Appropriations Chair. He sent me this article, and it was from the Economist. And he said, 'I read this every day, at least I read through the whole thing, and I want you to have a subscription to it.' So he paid for a year's subscription to the *Economist* magazine for me. For those of you who read it, one of the leading periodicals in the world. And Marc was reading that thing cover to cover back in the '90s. We salute him for what he did for higher education, but this man had one of the greatest appetites for learning and education of anybody I have ever met. He read everything, always voracious in it, and understood it. I point that out, so I am not surprised that he will go down as one of the real supporters of higher education in North Carolina. You've heard the things that he did for the University, but I will tell you on numerous occasions when the university—talking about the system, as well as some of the specific campuses—needed special things to still stay in front of the race—not just to lead in North Carolina or in the south, but lead in the country and in the world—Marc would be one of the first ones up to bat to make sure that we would compete at a national and international level, even in higher education. Of course, you can accept mediocrity in higher education. Folk will get educated, you'll get good doctors, you'll get good lawyers, you'll get good business folk, good teachers, but, you know, you'll miss that little ingredient for the greatest that might come through when you are really striving to be the best at what you do. Marc probably represented a sense of aspiration for that as much or more than anybody I've ever seen. He committed himself to it. The funding patterns and the funding decisions about UNC-for the hospital, for the cancer center, and all of that-were consistent with what his thoughts were about what we ought to be doing in higher education, not just be mediocre. A lot of university systems throughout the south, throughout the country are mediocre, but do they compare with North Carolina's system. Marc would brag about it was probably at one point the first- or secondbest system—and still was striving to be—in the country. And that's what we ought to aspire toward. So don't be surprised at the investment that he made in higher education and the commitment that he showed for it that was consistent

with everything else that he did. You know, I see a lot of the former members in here—and another thing about Marc—I mentioned that he was Appropriations chair in '91-'92, when we went through the biggest recession that the country had seen since the Great Depression and had to make some tough decisions on how we were going to continue funding education. There was not a stronger advocate for it. And when either Howard Lee or George Daniels or whoever would come advocate for something in it, and some of our guys would send them packing after cursing and doing a few other things. Marc would humbly just leave his office, walk over to my office, and we would solve whatever the problem was. It was always knowing that it was for the benefit of North Carolina, not for the benefit of Marc, not for my benefit or any other individual's benefit, but for the benefit of the citizens, for the students, and for the people of North Carolina. So those countless hours that he spent driving across North Carolina wasn't for show. It was really to see where people's concerns were. He didn't do weekly polling and all of that, but genuinely to see what was on the minds of the people and what they were thinking and how we could address it. Now, even if you never met Marc—and I doubt there's anybody in here who hasn't—but even if you never met him, if you never know who he was in detail, I can assure that he had an impact on your life, sometimes in ways that you could never even imagine. One of the things that I'll share with you, when I came over from the House to the Senate, Marc was still President Pro Tem. I mentioned the Economist that he had gifted me some ten or fifteen years earlier. Marc came by one day, and he brought me this book. It's entitled John Brown, Abolitionist. Marc had read it, and I will tell you, I've read a lot of books, and the writing is too small for my well experienced eyes to perceive hardly now because it's very small, smaller than my college books and the novels and stuff. But Marc had read this book and he said, 'You ought to have this book.' He signed it in August, 2009, and he said, 'Dan, your good friend, Marc.' We talked a little about it, and all of you know the lessons of John Brown and Harpers Ferry and all of that, at least what we had been taught in our years in school. And Marc said, 'This is a different, more informative perspective of who John Brown was and why this book is important.' This is by an academic who sort of looked at the lay of the land in Kansas and everywhere else leading to the Civil War. It paints John Brown in a totally different perspective. It doesn't glorify what he did, but it talks about the background. And again, I'm talking about this guy who was proud to brag about being numbered last in his class at Manteo High School, who was doing analysis and reading stuff that post does that I knew hadn't taken the time to do and hadn't really thought about. So this was a man who, again, just an absolute maniac for getting information and more knowledge and sharing that knowledge and making sure that his decisions that he made for the people of this state were informed by that knowledge that he had gotten. I will tell you, he may have become the most—and certainly one of the most—but at different times the most powerful person in North Carolina, but he never forgot where he'd come from, and he never forgot why he came from there and why he felt the way that he did. I want to thank Marc's family for being here today as we honor his memory. I want you to know, Vicki and Caroline and the grandchildren and the rest of the family, that you shared an invaluable asset with this state, not just for the 27 years that he served

in the Senate, but the years that he served on the Board of Transportation. It takes me about half the time now to get to the Outer Banks than it took before Marc got on the Board of Transportation. And in so many other ways, whether it was the infrastructural fund that we did, trying to put interstate highways within 10 miles of 90 percent of all of the citizens, interstate quality highways within 10 miles of 90 percent of all of the citizens of this state. And you go on and on and on. You think about it as you ride down streets, as you go to the university, any of the campuses, or as you try to encourage kids to go, or as you look at public school teachers working hard to make sure that their last-place finisher can be as productive as Marc Basnight was, and more productive than the first-place finisher sometimes. Take a moment, reflect back, and think about Marc Basnight, and think about a giving family who allowed him to be shared with us for all that amount of time. I thank you for it, and I know that North Carolina will forever be indebted not only to Marc Basnight's memory, but to Marc Basnight's presence and endless contributions. Thank you, Mr. President."

SENATOR BERGER: "First, I want to thank Marc's family for joining us here today. Vicki and Caroline, thank you for being here, but also for sharing him with us and with the people of the state of North Carolina for such a long period of time. I also want to thank his extended family, friends, former senators, and former staff members for joining us on this occasion. I know I have seen a lot of faces I haven't seen in a while and had a chance to say hello, and I know many of you feel the same way. I want to thank you for being here. You know, during his tenure on the Board of Transportation and his 13 terms in the Senate, Marc never forgot where he came from and that he came from North Carolina, eastern North Carolina, and, maybe most importantly, coastal North Carolina. One thing that really struck me about Marc is that he loved people, and it was clear that people loved him back, without any question. The other thing that's clear to me is that Marc loved the Senate and loved this chamber and the people that served and serve in the Senate. He left his mark on this body, he left his mark on the state, and over two decades of leadership, legislators—every legislator who served with him—learned from him, including myself. Now, Marc could wage political battles with the best of them. There is no question about that. Many of us still have some of those scars, and many of you still remember victories and disappointments. But it was clear that once those battles were over, he valued each member of this body as an elected North Carolina state senator. And, as I have said, he valued the Senate as an institution but also as a symbol of our representative democracy. So those things never left him. You know, he and I disagreed on many issues, but one thing that will always stay with me is how he handled the election in 2010 and how as soon as the results were in one of the first people that called me was Marc Basnight. It was clear—it was, you know, 'Tell me what you need. I've instructed my staff to provide you with whatever might be necessary,' and, as with a lot of other things, he was true to his word. That transition was much smoother than anyone would have anticipated. So his legacy is with us to be remembered. I think because of that it is fitting that his portrait hang in this chamber so that people now and into the future will have an opportunity to ask, 'Who was that, and what did he do? Why is it important that that portrait be in here?' And I think

his legacy is seen through his dedication to his family, his dedication to North Carolina, his dedication to the environment, to the Outer Banks. You know, people have touched on the issue of health care and how important the cancer research and the cancer hospital were to him, but you know those things wouldn't have happened but for Marc Basnight, and I don't think that the medical school at East Carolina would have happened but for Marc Basnight. So I think it's important that we remember him like this today. I also am just as pleased as I can be—we don't often get an opportunity to come together like this, but, you see, that's one of the things that Marc always had an ability to do and that is bring people together. I would say that he's doing it again today with this ceremony and with this resolution. Marc left his mark on North Carolina, on this chamber, and the Senate is pleased to give back just a little bit by having his portrait hang in this chamber. I urge your support for the resolution, and, again, I thank Caroline and Vicki. Thank you for being here with us today."

Upon motion of Senator Davis, the resolution is adopted (41-0).

PORTRAIT OF SENATOR MARC BASNIGHT UNVEILED

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces the President *Pro Tempore's* appointment of Senator Davis and Senator Steinburg as a committee to escort Caroline Basnight and Vicki Basnight to the well of the Senate, where they will unveil a portrait of their late father, Senator Marc Basnight.

The President directs the committee to escort Caroline Basnight and Vicki Basnight to the well of the Senate, where they unveil the portrait of Senator Marc Basnight to applause. The President offers brief remarks and then directs the committee to escort Caroline Basnight and Vicki Basnight back to their seats.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Blue, the Senate adjourns at 12:00 p.m., in honor and in memory of Marc Basnight, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, September 22, at 9:00 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, with a favorable report.

- **H.B. 531** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT AND TO ELIMINATE BOND REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION OF REAL ESTATE EDUCATION PROVIDERS, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 776** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 797** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DELEGATE TO A HEARING OFFICER THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER A TAXPAYER HAS OVERPAID THE EXCISE TAX ON CONVEYANCES, with a favorable report.

By Senator Sawyer for the **Transportation Committee**:

H.B. 402 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT: TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 814, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD OCCUPANTLESS VEHICLES, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10538, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

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By Senator Johnson for the Commerce and Insurance Committee:

H.B. 624 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE INNOVATION COMMISSION, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30477, which changes the title to read **H.B. 624** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

S.B. 357, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE HELPING CONSUMERS IN CRISIS ACT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 45462, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the Judiciary Committee:

S.B. 424, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD AND THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROFESSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

H.B. 761, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING INTO CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES AND FOR THE THEFT OF CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30478, which changes the title to read **H.B. 761** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING INTO CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES AND FOR THE THEFT OF CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-118, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO S.L. 2021-123, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, September 22, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Paul Newton, Senator from Cabarrus County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, thank you so much for this opportunity to serve North Carolinians. We pray this morning that you will touch our hearts and minds, everyone in this chamber, to help us to help others. We pray for partisan staff, we pray for non-partisan staff, we pray for our clerks, we pray for our governor, we pray for our lieutenant governor, that you would really touch our hearts and minds. Give us your wisdom, knowledge, and understanding so that we can work together for the good of North Carolina and North Carolinians. It's in your name we pray. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, September 21, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Blue, Senator Chaudhuri, Senator Clark, Senator Edwards, Senator Galey, Senator Mayfield, Senator Proctor, Senator Salvador, and Senator Woodard.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, **H.B.** 776 is withdrawn from the regular order of business and placed at the end of today's calendar.

CONVEYANCE OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that pass the Senate today will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

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H.B. 531 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT AND TO ELIMINATE BOND REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION OF REAL ESTATE EDUCATION PROVIDERS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (40-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 797 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DELEGATE TO A HEARING OFFICER THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER A TAXPAYER HAS OVERPAID THE EXCISE TAX ON CONVEYANCES, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (40-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS AND TO EXEMPT CERTAIN FOOTPRINT EXPANSIONS FROM SITE PLAN MAJOR MODIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, as amended, upon third reading. Senator Lee offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (40-0).

The Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its third reading (28-12) and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in Senate Amendments No. 1 and No. 2.

SENATORIAL STATEMENTS

Senator Mohammed submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "RECOGNIZING BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS MONTH."

Senator deViere submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF GLENN JERNIGAN, SR., FORMER PUBLIC SERVANT."

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 776 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION, upon second reading. Senator Daniel offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (40-0).

Senator Sanderson offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (26-14) and changes the title to read, **H.B. 776** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION AND TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO CERTAIN PUBLIC PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE AND DISMISSAL RECORDS.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (27-13) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Burgin, the Senate adjourns at 9:55 a.m., in memory of Sergeant Hubert Edwards, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, September 23, at 10:30 a.m.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Daniel for the **Finance Committee**:

S.B. 424, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD AND THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROFESSION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

S.B. 550 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY QUALIFICATIONS AND TESTING PROCEDURES FOR BAIL BONDSMEN AND RUNNERS AND TO MODIFY VARIOUS PROVISIONS RELATED TO BAIL BOND FORFEITURES AND BAIL BOND SURETIES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 624 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 10539, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Britt for the **Transportation Committee**:

H.B. 165 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

September 22, 2021

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30479, which changes the title to read **H.B. 165** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, September 23, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day. Thank you for the rain you've sent our way this week and this wonderful fall weather. We praise you for that, and we thank you for everything you do for us. Give us traveling mercies home. We thank you for all you do. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, September 22, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 10:34 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, September 27, at 3:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

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House of Representatives September 23, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in H.B. 797 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DELEGATE TO A HEARING OFFICER THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER A TAXPAYER HAS OVERPAID THE EXCISE TAX ON CONVEYANCES, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Stevens, Chair Representative D. Hall Representative Willis and Representative Reives

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

> Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives September 23, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on S.B. 191 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

> Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

September 23, 2021

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives September 23, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 776 Senate Committee Substitute (4th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION AND TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO CERTAIN PUBLIC PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE AND DISMISSAL RECORDS, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative D. Hall, Chair

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives September 23, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 91 Senate Committee Substitute No. 3 (7th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Bell, Chair Representative Shepard Representative Torbett and Representative Gill 868

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

H.B. 91 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on September 23 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 3 for H.B. 91 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Sawyer, Chair; Senator McInnis, Senator Johnson and Senator deViere as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

H.B. 776 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW REMOTE ELECTRONIC NOTARIZATION AND TO STRENGTHEN CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT BY INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY TO CERTAIN PUBLIC PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE AND DISMISSAL RECORDS.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on September 23 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill for H.B. 776 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Daniel, Chair; Senator Rabon, Senator Edwards and Senator Krawiec as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

H.B. 797 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DELEGATE TO A HEARING OFFICER THE DETERMINATION OF WHETHER A TAXPAYER HAS OVERPAID THE EXCISE TAX ON CONVEYANCES.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on September 23 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill for H.B. 797 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Daniel, Chair; Senator Rabon, Senator Ford and Senator Clark as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, September 27, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day you've given us and another great week here in the state of North Carolina. We pray that you'll help us and get us through this week. We thank you for all that you do. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Edwards announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, September 23, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- H.B. 218, AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS.
- H.B. 531, AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT AND TO ELIMINATE BOND REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION OF REAL ESTATE EDUCATION PROVIDERS.

Upon motion of Senator Edwards, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 3:31 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, September 30, at 9:30 a.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 721 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING COUNTIES TO PROVIDE THAT ASSESSMENTS MAY BE PAID IN EITHER SEMIANNUAL OR ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 792 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MERGE THE BARBER AND ELECTROLYSIS LICENSING BOARDS. Referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Daniel, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on House Amendment No. 1 to **S.B. 191** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S191-PCCS35331-BC-5.

The Conference Report is referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator Edwards's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, September 30, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this day and we thank you for this cooler weather and we pray that you'll continue to protect us here and keep us safe, keep us healthy. We thank you for all of this in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, September 27, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

September 30, 2021

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 10:00 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, October 4, at 3:00 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

A vetoed bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, was returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate, as follows:

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 360, "An Act to Require Joint Approval From the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate Before the Attorney General May Enter into a Consent Judgment or Settlement Agreement in a Dispute, Claim, or Controversy in Which the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate Have Intervened or Are Otherwise Named Parties."

This bill is unconstitutional and unwise, and would prevent the Attorney General from doing his job to protect the people of North Carolina.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 27th day of September 2021, at 3:36 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Senator Rabon orders the bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FORTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, October 4, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

October 4, 2021

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day and week you've given us, and we thank you for the rain that's coming our way. We praise you for that this time of year, and we thank you for all that you do. Guide and direct us here this week. Let us bring honor and glory to you. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, September 30, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Berger, the Senate adjourns at 3:17 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, October 5, at 9:30 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

October 1, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Philip E. Berger Senate President Pro Tempore Legislative Building, Room 2007 Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-2808

Dear Senator Berger:

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute §135-6, I am pleased to nominate the following individuals to serve on the North Carolina Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees and hereby submit their names for confirmation by the North Carolina Senate:

- Ms. Linda H. Gunter of Wake County, Retired Teacher
- Mr. Brian C. Pierce of Wake County, Active or Retired member of the North Carolina National Guard
- Mr. Jeffrey S. Winstead of Wake County, Retired State Employee
- Ms. Raquel M. Robinson of Guilford County, Active Teacher

October 4, 2021

I am grateful for their willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina.

> Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

The Honorable Mark Robinson
The Honorable Dan Blue
The Honorable Dale Folwell
Ms. Sarah Holland

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.J.R. 975, A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF KAREN M. KEMERAIT TO THE UTILITIES COMMISSION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 85 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE PLANS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, for concurrence in House Amendment No. 1.

The Committee Substitute bill, with House Amendment No. 1, is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, October 6.

S.B. 183 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO **REVISE** THE MAXIMUM BLOOD **ALCOHOL** CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION 874

INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, October 6.

S.B. 695 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO LAWS AFFECTING PRINCIPAL LICENSURE, SALARY INSTALLMENTS, REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND CASH MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, October 6.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

H.B. 400 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS, TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT SIX MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BE ELECTED BY ELIGIBLE VOTERS FROM THE DISTRICT THOSE MEMBERS REPRESENT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on August 25.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 118 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on March 3.

The Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **State and Local Government Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

Pursuant to Senator	Ford's motion	to adjourn	having	prevailed,	the	Senate
stands adjourned.						

October 4, 2021

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, October 5, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. We thank you for the showers you sent our way last night and that you will this week. We pray that you'll help our farmers across our state as they start to gather and get ready for another year. We pray that you'll help them. Bless us as we do your business. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, October 4, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 9:33 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, October 6, at 9:30 a.m.

DISMISSAL AND APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, hereby dismisses the conferees appointed on September 23 on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **H.B. 91** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, and appoints Senator Sawyer, Chair; Senator McInnis, Senator Johnson and Senator Foushee as new conferees. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator B. Jackson for the **Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee**:

H.B. 951 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODERNIZE NORTH CAROLINA'S GENERATION AND GRID RESOURCES AND RATE MAKING AND TO INVEST IN CRITICAL ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE BENEFIT OF CUSTOMERS, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10540, which changes the title to read H.B. 951 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO (I) TAKE ALL REASONABLE STEPS TO ACHIEVE A SEVENTY PERCENT REDUCTION IN EMISSIONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE FROM ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES FROM 2005 LEVELS BY THE YEAR 2030 AND CARBON NEUTRALITY BY THE YEAR 2050, (II) AUTHORIZE PERFORMANCE-BASED REGULATION OF ELECTRIC UTILITIES, (III) PROCEED WITH RULEMAKING ON SECURITIZATION OF CERTAIN COSTS AND OTHER MATTERS, AND (IV) ALLOW POTENTIAL MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXISTING POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS WITH ELIGIBLE **SMALL** PRODUCERS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Finance Committee**.

H.B. 220 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill No. 2, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10541, which changes the title to read **H.B. 220** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED, TO MODIFY PUBLIC RECORDS LAW REGARDING SENSITIVE PUBLIC SECURITY INFORMATION, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the **Finance Committee**:

H.B. 951 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO (I) TAKE ALL REASONABLE STEPS TO ACHIEVE A SEVENTY PERCENT REDUCTION IN EMISSIONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE FROM ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES FROM 2005 LEVELS BY THE YEAR 2030 AND CARBON NEUTRALITY BY THE YEAR 2050, (II) AUTHORIZE PERFORMANCE-BASED REGULATION OF ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES, (III) PROCEED WITH RULEMAKING ON SECURITIZATION OF CERTAIN COSTS AND OTHER MATTERS, AND (IV) ALLOW POTENTIAL MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXISTING POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS WITH ELIGIBLE SMALL POWER PRODUCERS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

October 5, 2021

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

- **H.B. 165** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 624** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 761 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING INTO CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES AND FOR THE THEFT OF CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-118, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO S.L. 2021-123, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 854** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE REFORMS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ZONING STATUTES, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 424**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD AND THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROFESSION, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 191 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on September 27.

The Conference Report is withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on the calendar of Wednesday, October 6.

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

October 5, 2021

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, October 6, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 3:00 p.m.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 951 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO (I) TAKE ALL REASONABLE STEPS TO ACHIEVE A SEVENTY PERCENT REDUCTION IN EMISSIONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE FROM ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES FROM 2005 LEVELS BY THE YEAR 2030 AND CARBON NEUTRALITY BY THE YEAR 2050, (II) AUTHORIZE PERFORMANCE-BASED REGULATION OF ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES, (III) PROCEED WITH RULEMAKING ON SECURITIZATION OF CERTAIN COSTS AND OTHER MATTERS, AND (IV) ALLOW POTENTIAL MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXISTING POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS WITH ELIGIBLE SMALL POWER PRODUCERS, with a favorable report.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Lord, we thank you for the opportunity to gather here in this chamber today, and we pray that you will bless and watch over those who are recovering and experiencing Covid difficulties, those who are at our borders seeking a better life, and our leaders in North Carolina, the United States of America, and all over the world. Please bless our efforts, the bonds between us, and the leadership that we have in this state. May you guide us by your Holy Spirit and lead us into all truth. We pray for all these blessings in your name. And all the people said, 'Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, October 5, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Chaudhuri.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

H.B. 951 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO (I) TAKE ALL REASONABLE STEPS TO ACHIEVE A SEVENTY PERCENT REDUCTION IN EMISSIONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE FROM ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES FROM 2005 LEVELS BY THE YEAR 2030 AND CARBON NEUTRALITY BY THE YEAR 2050, (II) AUTHORIZE PERFORMANCE-BASED REGULATION OF ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES, (III) PROCEED WITH RULEMAKING ON SECURITIZATION OF CERTAIN COSTS AND OTHER MATTERS, AND (IV) ALLOW POTENTIAL MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXISTING POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS WITH ELIGIBLE SMALL POWER PRODUCERS.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the Senate Committee Substitute bill is placed on today's calendar as the first item to be taken up.

CONVEYANCE OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that pass the Senate today will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 951 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO (I) TAKE ALL REASONABLE STEPS TO ACHIEVE A SEVENTY PERCENT REDUCTION IN EMISSIONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE FROM ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES FROM 2005 LEVELS BY THE YEAR 2030 AND CARBON NEUTRALITY BY THE YEAR 2050, (II) AUTHORIZE PERFORMANCE-BASED REGULATION OF ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES, (III) PROCEED WITH RULEMAKING ON SECURITIZATION OF CERTAIN COSTS AND OTHER MATTERS, AND (IV) ALLOW POTENTIAL MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXISTING POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS WITH ELIGIBLE SMALL POWER PRODUCERS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (42-7) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 424, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD AND THE PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROFESSION, upon second reading.

The bill passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time.

Senator Daniel offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading (49-0) and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

H.B. 165 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE, upon second reading.

Senator Woodard offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 624 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 761 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING INTO CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES AND FOR THE THEFT OF CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-118, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO S.L. 2021-123, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (44-5) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 854 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE REFORMS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ZONING STATUTES, upon second reading.

Senator Edwards offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0). Senator Lee offers Amendment No. 2, which is adopted (49-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 85 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE PLANS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, for concurrence in House Amendment No. 1.

Upon motion of Senator Corbin, the Senate concurs in House Amendment No. 1 (49-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 183 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD **ALCOHOL** CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill (0-49) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 695 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO LAWS AFFECTING PRINCIPAL LICENSURE, SALARY INSTALLMENTS, REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND CASH MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Ballard, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (49-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 191 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Daniel, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (49-0). The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Pursuant to the message received on Thursday, September 23, that the House of Representatives adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 191, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

SENATORIAL STATEMENT

Senator Lee submits a Senatorial Statement entitled, "CONGRATULATING WILMINGTON AREA REBUILDING MINISTRY."

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Lee, the Senate adjourns at 4:19 p.m., in memory of Captain David Edwin MacAlpine, Sr., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, October 7, at 10:00 a.m.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Alexander for the State and Local Government Committee:

H.B. 118 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PERMIT INCREASED ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPORTING FACILITIES IN PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 30484, which changes the title to read **H.B. 118** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT SIX MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BE ELECTED BY ELIGIBLE VOTERS FROM THE DISTRICT THOSE MEMBERS REPRESENT, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

H.B. 400 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS, TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE

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ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT SIX MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BE ELECTED BY ELIGIBLE VOTERS FROM THE DISTRICT THOSE MEMBERS REPRESENT, with an unfavorable report as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2, 40665, which changes the title to read **H.B. 400** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS AND TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 531, AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT AND TO ELIMINATE BOND REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION OF REAL ESTATE EDUCATION PROVIDERS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 6, 2021 - S.L. 2021-163)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, October 7, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us, and your grace and love. Thank you for the rain you've sent our way this week. We praise you for all that you do. Guide and direct us today. In Jesus' name, Amen."

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Senator Craven announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, October 6, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Craven, the Senate adjourns at 10:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, October 11, at 3:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives October 7, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 165 Senate Committee Substitute (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE, and requests conferees. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative B. Jones, Chair

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 85,** AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE PLANS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.
- **S.B. 191,** AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS.

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- **S.B. 695**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO LAWS AFFECTING PRINCIPAL LICENSURE, SALARY INSTALLMENTS, REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND CASH MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS.
- **H.B. 624,** AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL.
- H.B. 761, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING INTO CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES AND FOR THE THEFT OF CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-118, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO S.L. 2021-123.
- **H.B. 854,** AN ACT TO PROVIDE REFORMS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ZONING STATUTES.
- H.B. 951, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO (I) TAKE ALL REASONABLE STEPS TO ACHIEVE A SEVENTY PERCENT REDUCTION IN EMISSIONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE FROM ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES FROM 2005 LEVELS BY THE YEAR 2030 AND CARBON NEUTRALITY BY THE YEAR 2050, (II) AUTHORIZE PERFORMANCE-BASED REGULATION OF **ELECTRIC** UTILITIES, (III) PROCEED WITH RULEMAKING ON SECURITIZATION OF CERTAIN COSTS AND OTHER MATTERS, AND (IV) ALLOW POTENTIAL MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXISTING POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS WITH ELIGIBLE SMALL **POWER** PRODUCERS.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, October 11, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Warren Daniel, Senator from Burke County.

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Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day, another week you've given us. Thank you for the cooler weather. We pray that you'll guide and direct us here today. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, October 7, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Daniel, the Senate adjourns at 3:02 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, October 14, at 10:00 a.m.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 218, AN ACT TO CLARIFY STORMWATER RUNOFF REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO PREEXISTING DEVELOPMENT IN WATER SUPPLY WATERSHEDS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 8, 2021 - S.L. 2021-164)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, October 14, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Amy S. Galey, Senator from Alamance County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we just approach your throne of grace with praise and thanksgiving, this morning, for another beautiful day that you have blessed us with. We pray that your blessings would be on those who are not with us today that you would watch over them with care and direct their steps and keep them close to your heart, Lord. We pray that you would make us worthy of the callings you have lain before us and that you would give us courage to stand firm and to do your tasks and live according to your will and bring glory to you and your name. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen."

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Senator Galey announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, October 11, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon her motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Galey, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 10:04 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, October 18, at 3:00 p.m.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 951, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO (I) TAKE ALL REASONABLE STEPS TO ACHIEVE A SEVENTY PERCENT REDUCTION IN EMISSIONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE FROM ELECTRIC PUBLIC UTILITIES FROM 2005 LEVELS BY THE YEAR 2030 AND CARBON NEUTRALITY BY THE YEAR 2050, (II) AUTHORIZE REGULATION OF PERFORMANCE-BASED **ELECTRIC PUBLIC** UTILITIES, (III) PROCEED WITH RULEMAKING ON SECURITIZATION OF CERTAIN COSTS AND OTHER MATTERS, AND (IV) ALLOW POTENTIAL MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN EXISTING POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS WITH ELIGIBLE SMALL **POWER** PRODUCERS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 13, 2021 -S.L. 2021-165)

Pursuant to Senator Galey's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, October 18, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day, another week you've given us. We don't take it lightly, and we thank you for your grace, mercy, and love. Guide and direct us here this week. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Chaudhuri announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, October 14, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Chaudhuri, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 3:05 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, October 21, at 10:00 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

October 18, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mark Robinson Lieutenant Governor 310 N. Blount Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 96-15.3 (c), I am pleased to nominate William Andrew Marsh III of Durham County to serve on the North Carolina Employment Security Board of Review for a term that began on July 1, 2021, and hereby submit his name for confirmation by the General Assembly.

I am grateful for Mr. Marsh's willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

Sincerely S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Phil Berger The Honorable Tim Moore The Honorable Dan Blue The Honorable Robert T. Reives II

Ms. Sarah Holland Mr. James White

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

H.B. 165 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on October 7 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill for H.B. 165 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Sawyer, Chair; Senator McInnis, Senator Britt and Senator Harrington as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

S.B. 183 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill for S.B. 183 on October 6, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Britt, Chair; Senator Daniel and Senator Rabon as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- H.B. 624, AN ACT TO ENACT THE NORTH CAROLINA FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE REGULATORY SANDBOX ACT AND TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOVATION COUNCIL. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 15, 2021 S.L. 2021-166)
- H.B. 761, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING INTO CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES AND FOR THE THEFT OF CERTAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT, TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-118, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION TO S.L. 2021-123. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 15, 2021 S.L. 2021-167)
- H.B. 854, AN ACT TO PROVIDE REFORMS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT ZONING AUTHORITY TO INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND CLARIFICATIONS TO THE ZONING STATUTES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 15, 2021 S.L. 2021-168)
- **S.B. 85,** AN ACT TO ALLOW VISION SERVICE PLANS AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 15, 2021 S.L. 2021-169)
- **S.B. 695**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO LAWS AFFECTING PRINCIPAL LICENSURE, SALARY INSTALLMENTS, REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND CASH MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 15, 2021 S.L. 2021-170)
- **S.B. 191,** AN ACT PROVIDING PATIENT VISITATION RIGHTS WILL NOT BE IMPACTED DURING DECLARED DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY FOR ANY VIOLATION OF THOSE RIGHTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 15, 2021 S.L. 2021-171)

Pursuant to Senator Chaudhuri's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, October 21, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

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Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this week you've given us. We thank you as we take our journey home. Protect us, keep us safe. We thank you for everything going safely at the fair this week. Continue to keep folks there safe. Bless us, in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, October 18, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 425**, AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS AND TO CREATE AN ARTICLE GOVERNING VEHICLE VALUE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS.
- H.B. 264, AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY, TO CLARIFY THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS, AND TO CLARIFY STATEWIDE QUARANTINES.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Berger, the Senate adjourns at 10:08 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, October 25, at 2:30 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives October 20, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives fails to concur in **H.B. 110 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives October 19, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in S.B. 183 House Committee Substitute (4th Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative B. Jones, Chair Representative Stevens and Representative Richardson

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, October 25, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day and another week. Thank you for the rain you sent our way. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, October 21, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Berger, the Senate adjourns at 2:35 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, October 28, at 10:00 a.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following messages are received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 66 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO CERVID EXCRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION AND TO DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO REVISE THE RULE, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 270 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 308 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXPAND AUTHORITY TO COUNTIES TO SELL ABANDONED CEMETERIES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

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S.B. 311 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 329 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 336 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION, TO CLARIFY THE APPLICABILITY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONDOMINIUM ACT, TO REQUIRE RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, AND TO CLARIFY EXEMPTIONS FROM THE MARKETABLE TITLE ACT, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FORTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, October 28, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day you've given us. We thank you for the rain you're sending our way. Help us stay safe through that. Keep us safe during the rest of this week. Father, we thank you for this day. In Jesus' name, Amen."

October 28, 2021

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, October 25, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 10:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Friday, October 29, at 9:30 a.m.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 425, AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING GUARANTEED ASSET PROTECTION WAIVERS AND TO CREATE AN ARTICLE GOVERNING VEHICLE VALUE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, October 28, 2021 - S.L. 2021-172)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Friday, October 29, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, God, we love you, and we appreciate everything you do for us. Thank you for the rain you've sent our way. We thank you for another day of grace and mercy. We pray that you'll bless, guide, and direct us here today. Keep everyone safe here today. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Jarvis announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, October 28, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 9:33 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, November 1, at 8:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Clark:

S.B. 737, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS.

Referred to the Redistricting and Elections Committee.

By Senator Chaudhuri:

S.B. 738, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS.

Referred to the Redistricting and Elections Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Jarvis's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, November 1, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Brent Jackson, Senator from Sampson County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us. Thank you for your grace and love, your salvation through your Son, Jesus. We thank you for this beautiful weather. We pray that you will guide and direct us this week as we make many decisions. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Friday, October 29, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

November 1, 2021

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator B. Jackson, the Senate adjourns at 8:33 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, November 2, at 9:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bills filed for introduction are presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senators Hise, Daniel, and Newton (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 739, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE DISTRICTS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE SENATE FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS.

Referred to the Redistricting and Elections Committee.

By Senators Hise, Daniel, and Newton (Primary Sponsors):

S.B. 740, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS.

Referred to the Redistricting and Elections Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Hise for the **Redistricting and Elections Committee**:

- **S.B. 740**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS, with a favorable report.
- **S.B. 737**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS, with an unfavorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 46, the bill lies upon the table.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 66 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO CERVID EXCRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION AND TO DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO REVISE THE RULE, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on October 25.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, November 2, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 270 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on October 25.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, November 2, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 308 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXPAND AUTHORITY TO COUNTIES TO SELL ABANDONED CEMETERIES, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on October 25.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, November 2, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 814 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD OCCUPANTLESS VEHICLES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, November 2, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 5:00 p.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 1, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that pursuant to a Proclamation issued by Governor Roy Cooper on October 27, 2021, Donnie Loftis has been administered the oath of office as a Member of the House of Representatives for the remainder of the 2021-2022 General Assembly. Representative Loftis has been seated to fill the vacancy created by the passing of Representative Dana Bumgardner from the 109th District.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Britt, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on S.B. 183 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES. AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; AND TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S183-PCCS35337-BE-4.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, S.B. 183 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS; TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES RELATED TO S.L. 2021-138; AND TO CHANGE "SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT" TO "SHERIFF'S OFFICE" IN VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 2, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that **H.B. 264 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE EXPIRATION OF A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND THE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN POWERS UNDER A STATEWIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY, TO CLARIFY THE ABATEMENT OF STATEWIDE IMMINENT HAZARDS, AND TO CLARIFY STATEWIDE QUARANTINES, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on November 1, 2021 and was returned to the House of Representatives with the attached veto message.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Governor's objections and veto message can be found in the Addendum.

November 2, 2021

SENATE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT 2021-2022

Pursuant to Rule 31, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator B. Jackson as Acting Chair of the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** for the duration of Senator Rabon's excused absence for the period of November 2, 2021, to November 4, 2021. Senator Rabon will continue his service as Rules Chair upon his return.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Newton for the **Redistricting and Elections Committee**:

S.B. 739, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE DISTRICTS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE SENATE FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS, with an unfavorable report as to the bill, but favorable as to the Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Committee Substitute bill, 15347, is adopted and engrossed.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Joyce Waddell, Senator from Mecklenburg County, as follows:

"Dear God, we always thank you for everything that you do for us. We come to you today asking you to give us wisdom and to help us lead this state in the right direction. Help us as leaders be people who honor your holy name, for it's only from you that we will get true wisdom. Lord, God, you are the builder of all things. When we have different opinions and other agendas, help us find common ground and find ways to compromise. Help us to be mutually supportive of one another, but most of all help us not to forget that our leadership is about the people. We ask blessings in your name, dear heavenly Father. And all the people said, 'Amen.'"

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, November 1, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for today to Senator Rabon.

MOTIONS RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

S.B. 311 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER

FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on October 25.

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, offers a motion that the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 be withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on today's calendar as the first item to be taken up, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2. The motion prevails without objection, and the Chair so orders.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, without objection, the Conference Report for **S.B. 183** is placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

CONVEYANCE OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Hise, without objection, all bills that pass the Senate this week will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

MOTION TO WITHDRAW FROM THE TABLE

S.B. 737, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS, placed on the table pursuant to an unfavorable report by the Redistricting and Elections Committee on November 1.

Senator Clark offers a motion that S.B. 737 be taken from the table, which motion fails to pass by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting (22-27).

The bill remains on the table.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 311 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Corbin, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (0-49) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, earlier announced the President *Pro Tempore's* appointment of Senator B. Jackson, Chair; Senator Corbin, Senator Edwards and Senator Blue as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is now ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

S.B. 740, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS, upon second reading.

Senator Chaudhuri offers Amendment No. 1.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 1 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Daniel, which motion prevails (27-22).

The bill passes its second reading, ayes 27, noes 22, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Berger, Britt, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg---27.

Voting in the negative: Senators Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Clark, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard---22.

Without objection, the bill is read a third time and passes its third reading, ayes 27, noes 22, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Berger, Britt, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg---27.

Voting in the negative: Senators Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Clark, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard---22.

The bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

H.B. 814 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD OCCUPANTLESS VEHICLES, upon second reading.

Senator Sawyer offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (49-0).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (49-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 66 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO CERVID EXCRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION AND TO

DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO REVISE THE RULE, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Perry, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (49-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 270 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Johnson, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (49-0) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 308 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXPAND AUTHORITY TO COUNTIES TO SELL ABANDONED CEMETERIES, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Johnson, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill (0-49) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 183 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; **REVISE** THE MAXIMUM BLOOD **ALCOHOL** CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS; TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES RELATED TO S.L. 2021-138; AND TO CHANGE "SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT" TO "SHERIFF'S OFFICE" IN VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE GENERAL STATUTES, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Britt, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (49-0). The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 6:25 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, November 3, at 9:00 a.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 2, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 311 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative McNeill, Co-Chair Representative Howard, Co-Chair Representative Humphrey and Representative Wray

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

CONFERENCE REPORTS

Senator B. Jackson, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 311** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, **S.B. 311** (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS; AND TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2022.

The Conference Report is held as material, which constitutes first reading, and is placed on the calendar of Wednesday, November 3, for adoption upon second reading.

Senator Sanderson, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **H.B. 404** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H404-PCCS10544-TU-5.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, H.B. 404 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE AND WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OR WHEN THERE IS APPLICABLE INSURANCE COVERAGE AND MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-171, THE NO PATIENT LEFT ALONE ACT.

The Conference Report is placed on the calendar of Thursday, November 4, for adoption.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 976 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS.

Referred to the Redistricting and Elections Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, November 3, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Norman W. Sanderson, Senator from Pamlico County, as follows:

"Father, we know that when we said yes to putting our lives in North Carolina out for public election to serve in public office, God, we knew that there would be enemies, but we also knew that there would be allies. Lord, you are the greatest ally we have. We thank you for all that you do for us because the Bible says you never sleep nor slumber, and you are always aware of every situation that we face, and you promise us again that we will never have to walk anywhere by ourselves. We love you, we praise you, and we thank you for your Son, Jesus, our Savior. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, November 2, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Berger, Senator Clark, and Senator Rabon.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 66,** AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO CERVID EXCRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION AND TO DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO REVISE THE RULE.
- **S.B. 270,** AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 739 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE DISTRICTS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE SENATE FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS, upon second reading.

Senator Blue offers Amendment No. 1.

Senator Daniel moves that Amendment No. 1 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Newton, which motion prevails (26-20).

Senator Blue offers Amendment No. 2.

Senator Daniel moves that Amendment No. 2 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Newton, which motion prevails (26-20).

Senator Chaudhuri offers Amendment No. 3.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 3 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Newton, which motion prevails (26-20).

Senator Blue offers Amendment No. 4.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 4 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Newton, which motion prevails (26-20).

Senator Blue offers Amendment No. 5.

The Chair grants a leave of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Murdock.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 5 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Newton, which motion prevails (26-19).

Senator Chaudhuri offers Amendment No. 6.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 6 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Newton, which motion prevails (26-19).

Senator Chaudhuri offers Amendment No. 7.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 7 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Newton, which motion prevails (26-19).

Senator Blue offers Amendment No. 8.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 8 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Newton, which motion prevails (26-19).

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, ayes 26, noes 19, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg---26.

Voting in the negative: Senators Batch, Blue, Chaudhuri, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard---19.

Without objection, the Committee Substitute bill is read a third time and passes its third reading, ayes 26, noes 19, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Britt, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg---26.

Voting in the negative: Senators Batch, Blue, Chaudhuri, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard---19.

The Committee Substitute bill is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message.

S.B. 311 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS; AND TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2022, for adoption upon second reading.

Upon motion of Senator Corbin, the Conference Report passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 45, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Blue, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---45.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Conference Report remains on the calendar for Thursday, November 4, for adoption upon third reading.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Newton, the Senate adjourns at 10:51 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, November 4, at 10:00 a.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 3, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the second report of the Conferees on H.B. 404 (Conference Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE AND WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OR WHEN THERE IS APPLICABLE INSURANCE COVERAGE AND MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-171, THE NO PATIENT LEFT ALONE ACT.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

S.B. 308 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXPAND AUTHORITY TO COUNTIES TO SELL ABANDONED CEMETERIES.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill for S.B. 308 on November 2, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Johnson, Chair; Senator Harrington and Senator Woodard as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

A standing committee report is submitted as follows:

By Senator Daniel for the Redistricting and Elections Committee:

H.B. 976 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS, with a favorable report.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator B. Jackson orders the following bills withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 329 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on October 25.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is placed on the calendar of Thursday, November 4, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

S.B. 336 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION, TO CLARIFY THE APPLICABILITY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONDOMINIUM ACT, TO REQUIRE RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, AND TO CLARIFY EXEMPTIONS FROM THE MARKETABLE TITLE ACT, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on October 25.

The House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 is placed on the calendar of Thursday, November 4, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 3, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in S.B. 308 House Committee Substitute (4th Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS

ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXPAND AUTHORITY TO COUNTIES TO SELL ABANDONED CEMETERIES, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Brody, Chair Representative Hunter and Representative Hanig

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, November 4, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by Dr. Madhu Sharma, Duke University Hindu Chaplain (Ret.) and guest of Senator Chaudhuri and Senator Mohammed, as follows:

"Thank you, and Namaste. Today is Diwali, the most important festival for Hindus, as it's celebrated as the festival of lights, signifying the victory of Good over Evil.

दीपज्योतिः परंब्रह्म दीपज्योतिर्जनार्दनः। दीपो हरतु मे पापं दीपज्योतिर्नमोऽस्तु ते॥

The light of the lamp (Diya) represents the supreme Brahman, the light of the lamp represents the Divine. Let the light of this lamp eliminate our sins; My salutations to this (radiant and eternal) light.

दीपस्य प्रकाशः न केवलं भवतः गृहम् उज्ज्वालयतु जीवनम् अपि । दीपावल्याः सहस्रदीपाः भवतः जीवनं सुखेन, सन्तोषण, शान्त्या आरोग्येण च प्र काशयन्तु।

May the light of Diya illuminate your health, home, and family. May the thousands of lamps of Diwali illuminate your life with happiness, joy, peace, and health. Let the energy from the Diwali lights, from today, energize you and your family to be kind, compassionate, and treat everyone with love and respect. Namaste."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, November 3, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Berger, Senator Britt, Senator Murdock, and Senator Rabon.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 976 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS, upon second reading.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading, ayes 25, noes 21, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg---25.

Voting in the negative: Senators Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Clark, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard---21.

Without objection, the Committee Substitute bill is read a third time and passes its third reading, ayes 25, noes 21, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Burgin, Corbin, Craven, Daniel, Edwards, Ford, Galey, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Sanderson, Sawyer and Steinburg---25.

Voting in the negative: Senators Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Chaudhuri, Clark, Crawford, Davis, deViere, Fitch, Foushee, Garrett, J. Jackson, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, Mohammed, Nickel, Robinson, Salvador, Waddell and Woodard---21. The Committee Substitute bill is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 329 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (0-46) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 336 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION, TO CLARIFY THE APPLICABILITY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONDOMINIUM ACT, TO REQUIRE RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, AND TO CLARIFY EXEMPTIONS FROM THE MARKETABLE TITLE ACT, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2.

Upon motion of Senator Daniel, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 (0-46) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 311 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS; AND TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2022, for adoption upon third reading.

Upon motion of Senator Corbin, the Senate adopts the Conference Report on its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 46, noes 0, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Bazemore, Blue, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Fitch, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed, Newton, Nickel, Perry, Proctor, Robinson, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---46.

Voting in the negative: None.

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

CONVEYANCE OF A BILL

Upon motion of Senator Hise, without objection, **S.B. 311** will be sent to the Governor by special message upon the adoption of the Conference Report by the House of Representatives.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 404 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF

GROSS NEGLIGENCE AND WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OR WHEN THERE IS APPLICABLE INSURANCE COVERAGE AND MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-171, THE NO PATIENT LEFT ALONE ACT, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Sanderson, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (46-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 10:29 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, November 8, at 10:30 a.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 4, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on S.B. 183 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT: TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS; TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES RELATED TO S.L. 2021-138; AND TO CHANGE "SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT" TO "SHERIFF'S OFFICE" IN VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to the Senate having adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 183 on Wednesday, November 3, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 4, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on S.B. 311 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to the Senate having adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 311 on Thursday, November 4, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor by special message.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **S.B. 311,** AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS; AND TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2022.
- H.B. 814, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD OCCUPANTLESS VEHICLES.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 739,** AN ACT TO REALIGN THE DISTRICTS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE SENATE FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS.
- **S.B. 740,** AN ACT TO REALIGN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS.
- **H.B. 976,** AN ACT TO REALIGN NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 4, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **S.B. 308 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, AND TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Johnson, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 308** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXPAND AUTHORITY TO COUNTIES TO SELL ABANDONED CEMETERIES, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S308-PCCS45467-ST-5.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, **S.B. 308** (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, AND TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REOUIREMENTS.

The Conference Report is referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 739,** AN ACT TO REALIGN THE DISTRICTS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE SENATE FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS. (Became law upon ratification, November 4, 2021 S.L. 2021-173)
- **S.B. 740,** AN ACT TO REALIGN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS. (Became law upon ratification, November 4, 2021 S.L. 2021-174)
- **H.B. 976,** AN ACT TO REALIGN NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICTS FOLLOWING THE RETURN OF THE 2020 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS. (Became law upon ratification, November 4, 2021 S.L. 2021-175)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, November 8, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Burgin, as follows:

"Dear Lord, thank you for this beautiful day and for the opportunity to be in these chambers. Lord, I pray for this state and pray for everything that's going on. Lord, thank you for letting us get through with redistricting, and now, Lord, we pray for a budget. I just ask that you touch everyone's hearts involved and especially the governor as we look forward to having a budget moving forward. All this we ask in your Son, Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, November 4, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Burgin, the Senate adjourns at 10:32 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, November 10, at 10:30 a.m.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 183, AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS; TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES RELATED TO S.L. 2021-138; AND TO CHANGE "SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT" TO "SHERIFF'S OFFICE" IN VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

H.B. 404, AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE AND WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OR WHEN THERE IS APPLICABLE INSURANCE COVERAGE AND MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-171, THE NO PATIENT LEFT ALONE ACT.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, November 10, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Senator from Mitchell County, as follows:

"Dear heavenly Father, God, we thank you for this opportunity that you've given us just to come together and continue to serve you in this capacity, though it be late in the session. God, as we take a break tomorrow, God, for Veterans Day, let us take a moment just to lift up all those who have served this nation, God, before you and ask that you pour out your blessings upon them and all that they do. These things we pray in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, November 8, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Berger, the Senate adjourns at 10:34 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Friday, November 12, at 11:00 a.m.

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CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 66,** AN ACT TO DISAPPROVE A RULE RELATED TO CERVID EXCRETIONS ADOPTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION AND TO DIRECT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION TO REVISE THE RULE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-176)
- **S.B. 270,** AN ACT REVISING THE VERIFICATION OBLIGATIONS OF AN INSURER AND ITS AGENT WITH RESPECT TO RATE EVASION FRAUD; RECODIFYING CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE PROVISIONS; AND ESTABLISHING A CIVIL PENALTY FOR THE FRAUDULENT PREPARATION, ISSUANCE, REQUESTING, OR REQUIREMENT OF A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-177)
- S.B. 311, AN ACT PROHIBITING MEMBERSHIP WAITING PERIODS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, UPDATING THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND MATCHING REQUIREMENTS, AND GIVING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM THE DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ONE-TIME PENSION SUPPLEMENTS TO ITS MEMBERS; AND TO REDUCE THE SUTA TAX RATE FOR 2022. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-178)
- **H.B. 814,** AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE OPERATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD OCCUPANTLESS VEHICLES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 10, 2021 S.L. 2021-179)

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Friday, November 12, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Steve Jarvis, Senator from Davidson County.

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Prayer is offered by Senator Jarvis, as follows:

"Our dear blessed heavenly Father, we want to thank you for the blessings that you have given us. We thank you for this country, for this state, and for the blessings that you continue to bring in our lives. We pray that you will guide us as we represent the people of North Carolina that you will always control our words and our actions. We thank you for the opportunity to be here on this beautiful day, and we ask for your forgiveness. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Senator Chaudhuri announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, November 10, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Chaudhuri, seconded by Senator Jarvis, the Senate adjourns at 11:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, November 15, at 9:30 a.m.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

S.B. 329 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for S.B. 329 on November 4, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Jarvis, Chair; Senator Edwards and Senator Davis as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

S.B. 336 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION, TO CLARIFY THE APPLICABILITY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONDOMINIUM ACT, TO REQUIRE RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, AND TO CLARIFY EXEMPTIONS FROM THE MARKETABLE TITLE ACT.

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for S.B. 336 on November 4, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Daniel, Chair; Senator Lee and Senator Galey as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

Pursuant to Senator Chaudhuri's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, November 15, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Bill Rabon, Chair of the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we praise you and thank you for this another day and this wonderful weather you've sent our way. We thank you that you've given us grace and love for another day and another week. I pray that you will help us through this day and this week. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Friday, November 12, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Rabon, the Senate adjourns at 9:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, November 16, at 9:30 a.m.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator B. Jackson, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on S.B. 105 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKING **BASE** APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT BUDGET OPERATIONS AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, OF STATE INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S105-PCCS25005-MLXR-3.

The Proposed Conference Committee Substitute is held as material, which constitutes first reading, and the Conference Report is placed on the calendar of Tuesday, November 16, for adoption upon second reading.

RE-REFERRAL OF A BILL

Senator Rabon orders the re-referral of a bill as follows:

S.B. 308 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, AND TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on November 4.

The Conference Report is withdrawn from the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** and placed on the calendar of Tuesday, November 16.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, November 16, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 9:30 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 12:00 p.m.

RECESS

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 15, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that Representative Shepard and Representative Iler have been added as conferees to **H.B. 165 Senate Committee Substitute (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO

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BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County, as follows:

"Lord, in this season of thanksgiving, I acknowledge you alone are the most holy king and ruler of all nations. We pray to you, Lord, in great expectation of receiving from you mercy, peace, justice, and all good things, and we praise you from whom all of our many blessings flow. Lord, you have indeed blessed our state, the goodliest land. We acknowledge that you own it all. We pray now, Lord, that in all things that we act upon today and in the coming days that we use the resources which you have entrusted to us wisely, that we use them wisely. Make us good stewards, Lord, not only with the monies that we budget but in the time and the lives that we live for you. Lord, now we lift up Representative Chris Humphrey and his family in the loss of his mother, Alyce, and we pray, God, that you grant them a double portion of your unfathomable grace and hold them close to you both now at this sad time and in the days of transition ahead. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, November 15, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Barnes and Senator McInnis.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 105 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKING BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, for adoption upon second reading.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, the Conference Report passes its second reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 40, noes 8, as follows:

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Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Batch, Berger, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Mayfield, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---40.

Voting in the negative: Senators Bazemore, Blue, Fitch, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel and Robinson---8.

The Conference Report remains on the calendar for Wednesday, November 17, for adoption upon third reading.

S.B. 308 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS, AND TO EXPAND AUTHORITY TO COUNTIES TO SELL ABANDONED CEMETERIES, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Johnson, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (48-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Pursuant to the message received on Thursday, November 4, that the House of Representatives adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 308, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Sawyer, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **H.B. 91** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H91-PCCS10546-TC-5.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 1:16 p.m., in memory of Alyce Humphrey, subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, November 17, at 11:00 a.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 16, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 329 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (4th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Brody, Chair Representative Hanig and Representative Farkas

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 16, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that Representative Saine and Representative D. Hall have been added as conferees to **H.B. 165 Senate Committee Substitute (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

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ONE HUNDRED SIXTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, November 17, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 11:00 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 2:00 p.m.

RECESS

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Paul Newton, Senator from Cabarrus County, as follows:

"Heavenly Father, we thank you today that there is a sense of refreshing that is already coming over us as we see this finish line for the budget and for this very, very long session. We thank you for that. We may be a little tired in our physical bodies, but we never tire of serving you. May we always focus on your will for the state of North Carolina. Father, I lift up members among us who are facing some confusion with new districts—are they going to run in the new district, for a different office, or stay, or run at all. We just pray that the peace that passes understanding would rest on them and that you would give them wisdom to do what it is that you want them to do. We thank you, Lord, for being here with us. We thank you for being king and Lord over our great state of North Carolina. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, November 16, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore and Senator McInnis.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 308, AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, AND TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS.

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CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator Sawyer, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **H.B. 165** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H165-PCCS10547-SU-2.

The Conference Report is placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

CALENDAR

Bills on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

S.B. 105 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKING BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, for adoption upon third reading.

The Senate adopts the Conference Report on its third reading, by roll-call vote, ayes 41, noes 7, as follows:

Voting in the affirmative: Senators Alexander, Ballard, Barnes, Batch, Berger, Britt, Burgin, Chaudhuri, Clark, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Daniel, Davis, deViere, Edwards, Ford, Foushee, Galey, Garrett, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Johnson, Krawiec, Lazzara, Lee, Lowe, Mayfield, Newton, Perry, Proctor, Rabon, Salvador, Sanderson, Sawyer, Steinburg, Waddell and Woodard---41.

Voting in the negative: Senators Blue, Fitch, Marcus, Mohammed, Murdock, Nickel and Robinson---7.

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

CONVEYANCE OF A BILL

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, **S.B. 105** will be sent to the Governor by special message upon its ratification.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 91 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Sawyer, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (41-7).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

H.B. 165 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Sawyer, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (48-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator Edwards, the Senate adjourns at 2:32 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, November 18, at 11:00 a.m.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIRST DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, November 18, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, thank you for another day you've given us. Give us safe traveling mercies. We pray that you will bless everyone here today. We thank you every day, not just at Thanksgiving but year-round, Father. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Craven announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, November 17, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 18, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **S.B. 105 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to the Senate having adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 105 on Wednesday, November 17, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor by special message.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Craven, the Senate adjourns at 11:07 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, November 22, at 1:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 17, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **H.B. 91** (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 17, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **H.B. 165 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE.

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When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

- **H.B. 91,** AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY.
- **H.B. 165**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE.
- **S.B. 105,** AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

H.B. 259 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT ALL VOTING SYSTEMS USED FOR ELECTIONS IN THIS STATE BE MANUFACTURED IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, TO CODIFY THE COMMON LAW REQUIREMENT OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO QUALIFY AS A JUROR, TO ALLOW A CLERK OF COURT TO HEAR JURY EXCUSES IF SO DESIGNATED BY THE CHIEF DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, TO REQUIRE THAT THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PERSONS REQUESTING TO BE EXCUSED FROM JURY DUTY BASED ON DISQUALIFICATION BE SHARED WITH THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS IF THE DISQUALIFICATION IS DUE TO UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP, AND TO PROVIDE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOLLOWING A POST-ELECTION AUDIT FOR A GENERAL ELECTION.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

H.B. 978, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO APPOINTMENTS MADE IN THE 2021 APPOINTMENTS BILL AND TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS

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PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PROTEMPORE OF THE SENATE.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 105**, AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 18, 2021 S.L. 2021-180)
- H.B. 404, AN ACT PROVIDING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS, AND THEIR EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ARE NOT LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION EXCEPT IN CASES OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE AND WANTON OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OR WHEN THERE IS APPLICABLE INSURANCE COVERAGE AND MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO S.L. 2021-171, THE NO PATIENT LEFT ALONE ACT. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 18, 2021 S.L. 2021-181)
- S.B. 183, AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE MANDATORY WAITING PERIODS FOR DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION OR LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT HAS A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO REQUIRE FOR THE RESTORATION OF LICENSES AFTER CERTAIN DRIVING WHILE IMPAIRED CONVICTIONS, OR THE ISSUANCE OF LIMITED DRIVING PRIVILEGES, AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM BE INSTALLED ON ONLY THE MOTOR VEHICLES THE PERSON WILL DRIVE; TO ELIMINATE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE PURPOSES FOR DRIVING AND THE HOURS DURING WHICH A PERSON MAY OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF THE PERSON IS OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WITH A FUNCTIONING IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM INSTALLED ON IT; TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS REQUIRED TO INSTALL AN IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM; TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LEVEL FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEM PRE-SET FAIL LEVEL; TO REQUIRE THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TO STUDY WHETHER TO EXPAND THE USE OF IGNITION INTERLOCK SYSTEMS; TO MAKE

TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES RELATED TO S.L. 2021-138; AND TO CHANGE "SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT" TO "SHERIFF'S OFFICE" IN VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE GENERAL STATUTES. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 18, 2021 - S.L. 2021-182)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SECOND DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, November 22, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we come to your courts with thanksgiving and enter into your courts with praise for this Thanksgiving week. We thank you for everything you do for us year-round. We praise you for another day you've given us. Thank you for the rain to come our way. We praise you for all that you do. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, November 18, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

ENROLLED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 326, AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATE BY WHICH MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED, TO REQUIRE PUBLISHING OF THE DATE ABSENTEE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE AND THE DEADLINE FOR REQUESTING AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPORTING OF BALLOTS BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Berger, the Senate adjourns at 1:22 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Wednesday, November 24, at 10:30 a.m.

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

H.B. 334 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on July 13 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 for H.B. 334 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator B. Jackson, Chair; Senator Harrington and Senator Hise as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special messages are received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 219 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, TO CLARIFY THE DESIGN-BUILD AND DESIGN-BUILD BRIDGING STATUTES, TO PROHIBIT WAIVER OF FUTURE CLAIMS FOR PROGRESS PAYMENTS ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, AND TO REQUIRE ATTORNEYS' FEES IN CERTAIN LIEN CLAIMS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 470 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO S.L. 2021-150, ABC OMNIBUS LEGISLATION, AND TO MAKE OTHER CHANGES TO THE ALCOHOL LAWS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

S.B. 725 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-THIRD DAY

Senate Chamber Wednesday, November 24, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by Senator Hise, as follows:

"Dear heavenly Father, God, we thank you for this opportunity you've given us just to come together one more time before you and before the throne of grace. As we approach this day, God, in our nation that we have designated to give thanks for all the things that we have received and that we have been privileged to be able to do, let us first and foremost give thanks to you, God, and your most eternal gift of your Son to this earth. These things we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen."

Senator Woodard announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, November 22, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Woodard, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 10:34 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Sunday, November 28, at 5:00 p.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF BILLS

Senator Rabon orders the following bills withdrawn from the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee and re-referred as follows:

S.B. 219 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, TO CLARIFY THE DESIGN-BUILD AND DESIGN-BUILD BRIDGING STATUTES, TO PROHIBIT WAIVER OF FUTURE CLAIMS FOR PROGRESS PAYMENTS ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, AND TO REQUIRE ATTORNEYS' FEES IN CERTAIN LIEN CLAIMS, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on November 22.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, November 29, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

S.B. 725 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS, referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee** on November 22.

The House Committee Substitute bill is placed on the calendar of Monday, November 29, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 406 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING A SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN CLEVELAND, RUTHERFORD, WAYNE, AND MOORE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ATTAIN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee on April 29.

The bill is re-referred to the **Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee** and upon a favorable report will be re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **S.B. 308,** AN ACT TO PREVENT DELAY IN THE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY, TO CLARIFY ELECTRIC WIRING REQUIREMENT REFERENCES, AND TO MODIFY ONE- OR TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD REQUIREMENTS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-183)
- **H.B. 91,** AN ACT TO RESTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT OF PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AND FAIR PLAY. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-184)
- **H.B. 165**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION AND MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS OF THE STATE. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, November 23, 2021 S.L. 2021-185)

Pursuant to Senator Woodard's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOURTH DAY

Senate Chamber Sunday, November 28, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day you've given us, the Lord's Day. We're glad to be here today, praising you and thanking you for this day and another week. We pray that you'll guide and direct us today and the rest of this week, Father. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Wednesday, November 24, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Hise, the Senate adjourns at 5:01 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, November 29, at 10:00 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION

A resolution filed for introduction is presented to the Senate, read the first time, and disposed of as follows:

By Senator Rabon:

S.J.R. 741, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2021 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 25, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that conferees for H.B. 334 Senate Committee Substitute No. 2 (6th Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES have been dismissed and new conferees have been appointed. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Saine, Chair and Representative D. Hall

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 25, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the message from the House of Representatives on October 20, 2021, that the House failed to concur in **H.B. 110 Senate Committee Substitute** (3rd Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM. Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Hanig, Chair Representative Hardister and Representative Boles

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 25, 2021

Mr. President:

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in **S.B. 336 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN DECLARATIONS FOR CONDOMINIUMS PRIOR TO RECORDATION, TO CLARIFY THE APPLICABILITY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONDOMINIUM ACT, TO REQUIRE RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, AND TO CLARIFY EXEMPTIONS FROM THE MARKETABLE TITLE ACT, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Stevens, Chair Representative Davis and Representative Zachary

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

H.B. 110 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM.

Pursuant to the message received from the House of Representatives on October 20 that the House fails to concur in the Senate Committee Substitute bill for H.B. 110 and requests conferees, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator Edwards, Chair; Senator Rabon, Senator Newton and Senator McInnis as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIFTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, November 29, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Ms. Sarah Holland, Senate Principal Clerk.

Without objection, the Senate recesses at 10:00 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Standing committee reports are submitted as follows:

By Senator Sawyer for the **Transportation Committee**:

H.B. 294 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING DEALERS TO SELL USED VEHICLES ISSUED A SALVAGE CERTIFICATION WITHOUT CONDUCTING A SAFETY INSPECTION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules** and **Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Ballard for the Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee:

H.B. 406 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING A SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN CLEVELAND, RUTHERFORD, WAYNE, AND MOORE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ATTAIN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE, with an unfavorable report as to the Committee Substitute bill, but favorable as to the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 45.1, the proposed Senate Committee Substitute bill, 10548, which changes the title to read **H.B. 406** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING A SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN CLEVELAND, RUTHERFORD, AND MOORE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ATTAIN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE, is adopted and engrossed.

Pursuant to Rule 43, the Senate Committee Substitute bill is re-referred to the **Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee**.

By Senator Rabon for the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee:

H.B. 118 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT SIX MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BE ELECTED BY ELIGIBLE VOTERS FROM THE DISTRICT THOSE MEMBERS REPRESENT, with a favorable report.

- H.B. 220 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED, TO MODIFY PUBLIC RECORDS LAW REGARDING SENSITIVE PUBLIC SECURITY INFORMATION, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 294** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING DEALERS TO SELL USED VEHICLES ISSUED A SALVAGE CERTIFICATION WITHOUT CONDUCTING A SAFETY INSPECTION, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 400 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS AND TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS, with a favorable report.
- **H.B. 406** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING A SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN CLEVELAND, RUTHERFORD, AND MOORE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ATTAIN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE, with a favorable report.
- H.B. 978, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO APPOINTMENTS MADE IN THE 2021 APPOINTMENTS BILL AND TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, with a favorable report.

CONFERENCE REPORTS

Senator Jarvis, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **S.B. 329** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S329-PCCS15352-BG-2.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, S.B. 329 (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND TO DELAY THE APPLICABILITY OF REVISIONS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT TO TIMESHARE TRANSFER SERVICES AND TRANSFER SERVICE PROVIDERS.

Senator Edwards, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **H.B. 110** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H110-PCCS10550-BB-1.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

H.J.R. 979, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2021 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Mark Robinson, Lieutenant Governor.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County, as follows:

"Dear gracious Lord, our world is just really, dramatically broken, and we are filled with flaws, and you are present and you are gracious and you are faithful. Thank you for protection through it all. And I do ask, Father, that you be with our forestry service and our local communities in Surry County as well as in Watauga that are fighting these wildfires right now. Continue to protect them and their families as they work so diligently and so hard in protection of our land here in North Carolina. I ask all this with utmost sincerity of heart, Lord, and in the strong name of Jesus Christ. Amen."

Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Sunday, November 28, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for today to Senator Bazemore, Senator Britt, Senator Crawford, and Senator J. Jackson.

CONVEYANCE OF BILLS

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, all bills that pass the Senate today will be sent to the House of Representatives by special message, and any Senate amendments made today will be sent to the House of Representatives unengrossed.

MOTIONS RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the rules are suspended and the following bills are placed on today's calendar:

- H.B. 220 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED, TO MODIFY PUBLIC RECORDS LAW REGARDING SENSITIVE PUBLIC SECURITY INFORMATION, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION.
- **H.B. 118** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT SIX MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BE ELECTED BY ELIGIBLE VOTERS FROM THE DISTRICT THOSE MEMBERS REPRESENT.
- H.B. 400 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS AND TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS.
- **H.B. 406** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING A SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN CLEVELAND, RUTHERFORD, AND MOORE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ATTAIN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE.
- **H.B. 294** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING DEALERS TO SELL USED VEHICLES ISSUED A SALVAGE CERTIFICATION WITHOUT CONDUCTING A SAFETY INSPECTION.
- H.B. 978, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO APPOINTMENTS MADE IN THE 2021 APPOINTMENTS BILL AND TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PROTEMPORE OF THE SENATE.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, H.B. 978 is placed at the top of today's calendar.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Conference Reports for **S.B. 329** and **H.B. 110** are placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, H.J.R. 979, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2021 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING, received from the House of Representatives earlier today, is placed on today's calendar.

CALENDAR

Bills and a resolution on today's calendar are taken up and disposed of as follows:

H.B. 978, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO APPOINTMENTS MADE IN THE 2021 APPOINTMENTS BILL AND TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE, upon second reading.

Senator Rabon offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (46-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading (46-0) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, **H.J.R. 979** is withdrawn from the regular order of business and placed before the Senate for immediate consideration.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.J.R. 979, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2021 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING, upon second reading.

The Joint Resolution passes its second reading (45-1) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 219 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, TO CLARIFY THE DESIGN-BUILD AND DESIGN-BUILD BRIDGING STATUTES, TO PROHIBIT WAIVER OF FUTURE CLAIMS FOR PROGRESS PAYMENTS ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, AND TO REQUIRE ATTORNEYS' FEES IN CERTAIN LIEN CLAIMS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator McInnis, the Senate fails to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill (0-46) and the House of Representatives is notified by special message.

S.B. 725 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Upon motion of Senator Newton, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill (27-19) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

H.B. 118 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT SIX MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION BE ELECTED BY ELIGIBLE VOTERS FROM THE DISTRICT THOSE MEMBERS REPRESENT, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (26-20) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 400 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS AND TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill No. 2 passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 473 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill and unengrossed House Amendment No. 1.

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, without objection, the House Committee Substitute bill with unengrossed House Amendment No. 1 is placed on today's calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 406 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING A SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN CLEVELAND, RUTHERFORD, AND MOORE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ATTAIN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE, upon second reading.

The Senate Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute bill.

H.B. 220 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED, TO MODIFY PUBLIC RECORDS LAW REGARDING SENSITIVE PUBLIC SECURITY INFORMATION, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION, upon second reading.

Senator Newton offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted (43-3) and, upon concurrence by the House of Representatives, will change the title to read, H.B. 220 (Senate Committee Substitute), AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED, TO MODIFY PUBLIC RECORDS LAW REGARDING SENSITIVE PUBLIC SECURITY INFORMATION, TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO ADOPT PROCEDURES TO ALLOW LESSORS WHO PROVIDE WATER AND SEWER SERVICE TO LESSEES IN CERTAIN DWELLINGS TO CHARGE FOR THE COST OF THE SERVICE IN THE SAME MANNER AS ELECTRIC SERVICE AND NATURAL GAS SERVICE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION.

Senator Nickel offers Amendment No. 2.

Senator Hise moves that Amendment No. 2 do lie upon the table, seconded by Senator Alexander, which motion prevails (27-19).

The Senate Committee Substitute bill, as amended, passes its second reading (29-17) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the House of Representatives by special message, for concurrence in the Senate Committee Substitute and unengrossed Senate Amendment No. 1.

H.B. 294 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PERMITTING DEALERS TO SELL USED VEHICLES ISSUED A SALVAGE CERTIFICATION WITHOUT CONDUCTING A SAFETY INSPECTION, upon second reading.

Without objection, Senator Lowe is excused from voting on the bill due to a possible conflict of interest.

The Committee Substitute bill passes its second reading (28-17) and, without objection, is read a third time and passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

S.B. 329 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND TO DELAY THE APPLICABILITY OF REVISIONS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT TO TIMESHARE TRANSFER SERVICES AND TRANSFER SERVICE PROVIDERS, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Jarvis, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (46-0).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

H.B. 110 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator Edwards, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (30-16).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

S.B. 473 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill and unengrossed House Amendment No. 1.

Upon motion of Senator Barnes, the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute bill and unengrossed House Amendment No. 1 (38-8) and the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

The Senate recesses at 5:21 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene at 5:50 p.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 29, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that Representative Saine (Chair) has been removed as a conferee to **H.B. 334 Senate Committee Substitute No. 2 (6th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES. Speaker Moore has appointed additional conferees:

Representative Lambeth, Chair and Representative Arp

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

CONFERENCE REPORT

Senator B. Jackson, for the conferees appointed to consider the differences arising between the Senate and the House of Representatives on **H.B. 334** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESSES AFFECTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, TO PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS OTHER CHANGES, submits a Conference Report for adoption.

The Conference Report deletes the entire existing bill and substitutes the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H334-PCCS10551-ML-5.

Upon adoption by both chambers, the Conference Report will change the title to read, **H.B. 334** (Conference Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO THE CURRENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2021 AND OTHER LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE STATE BUDGET.

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson.

MOTION RELATIVE TO THE CALENDAR

Upon motion of Senator Rabon, the Conference Report for **H.B. 334** is placed on today's calendar, for adoption.

The Chair grants leaves of absence for the remainder of today's session to Senator Clark and Senator Salvador.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 334 (Conference Report), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO THE CURRENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2021 AND OTHER LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE STATE BUDGET, for adoption.

Upon motion of Senator B. Jackson, the Senate adopts the Conference Report (43-1).

The Chair orders a special message sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action.

Upon motion of Senator Berger, seconded by Senator McInnis, the Senate adjourns at 6:15 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Tuesday, November 30, at 1:30 p.m.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

S.B. 296 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE CURRENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2021, for concurrence in the House Committee Substitute bill.

Referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 29, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **S.B. 329 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND TO DELAY THE APPLICABILITY OF REVISIONS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT TO TIMESHARE TRANSFER SERVICES AND TRANSFER SERVICE PROVIDERS.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to the Senate having adopted the Conference Report for S.B. 329 on Monday, November 29, the bill is ordered enrolled and sent to the Governor.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 29, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **H.B. 110 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives November 29, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that the House of Representatives has adopted the report of the Conferees on **H.B. 334 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO THE CURRENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2021 AND OTHER LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE STATE BUDGET.

When the appropriate action has been taken by both chambers, the bill will be ordered enrolled.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

Pursuant to Senator Berger's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIXTH DAY

Senate Chamber Tuesday, November 30, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for another day. We thank you for this time of year that you sent your son, virgin-born son, to die for our sins. We thank you for that every day year-round. Guide and direct us here today. In Jesus' name, Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, November 29, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Berger, the Senate adjourns at 1:33 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, December 2, at 11:00 a.m.

ENROLLED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified for presentation to the Governor:

S.B. 329, AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND TO DELAY THE APPLICABILITY OF REVISIONS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT TO TIMESHARE TRANSFER SERVICES AND TRANSFER SERVICE PROVIDERS.

November 30, 2021

- S.B. 473, AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT.
- **S.B. 725,** AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ACCEPTANCE OF PRIVATE MONEY FOR CONDUCTING ELECTIONS OR HIRING TEMPORARY ELECTIONS WORKERS.
- **H.B. 110**, AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM.
- H.B. 220, AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED, TO MODIFY PUBLIC RECORDS LAW REGARDING SENSITIVE PUBLIC SECURITY INFORMATION, TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO ADOPT PROCEDURES TO ALLOW LESSORS WHO PROVIDE WATER AND SEWER SERVICE TO LESSEES IN CERTAIN DWELLINGS TO CHARGE FOR THE COST OF THE SERVICE IN THE SAME MANNER AS ELECTRIC SERVICE AND NATURAL GAS SERVICE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION.
- **H.B. 294,** AN ACT PERMITTING DEALERS TO SELL USED VEHICLES ISSUED A SALVAGE CERTIFICATION WITHOUT CONDUCTING A SAFETY INSPECTION.
- **H.B. 334,** AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO THE CURRENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2021 AND OTHER LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE STATE BUDGET.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 978, AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO APPOINTMENTS MADE IN THE 2021 APPOINTMENTS BILL AND TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE.

November 30, 2021

- H.B. 400, AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS AND TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS.
- **H.B. 406,** AN ACT PROVIDING A SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN CLEVELAND, RUTHERFORD, AND MOORE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ATTAIN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE.

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following Joint Resolution duly ratified, properly enrolled, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.J.R. 979, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2021 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING. (Res. 2021-10)

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- H.B. 978, AN ACT TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO APPOINTMENTS MADE IN THE 2021 APPOINTMENTS BILL AND TO APPOINT PERSONS TO VARIOUS PUBLIC OFFICES UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE. (Became law upon ratification, November 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-186)
- H.B. 400, AN ACT TO CHANGE THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN APPOINTED BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH ELECTED MEMBERS AND TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM FIVE MEMBERS TO SEVEN MEMBERS. (Became law upon ratification, November 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-187)
- **H.B. 406,** AN ACT PROVIDING A SPECIAL SEPARATION ALLOWANCE FOR CERTAIN CLEVELAND, RUTHERFORD, AND MOORE COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO ATTAIN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE. (Became law upon ratification, November 30, 2021 S.L. 2021-188)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

November 30, 2021

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVENTH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, December 2, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Deanna Ballard, Senator from Watauga County.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable W. Ted Alexander, Senator from Cleveland County, as follows:

"Lord, in this season of Advent, the week of hope, I pray, acknowledging that you are the hope of the world that through your Son, Jesus Christ, given to us at this Christmastime, we have great hope. As the song says, 'Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow. Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.' For those, God, at this time of year without hope, I pray that your Holy Spirit will touch them and infuse them with the hope of Christ. May all the actions of this body acknowledge that you point to hope, realizing that it is not government in which one can trust for their hope, but in you alone. Great is they faithfulness. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."

Senator Alexander announces that the Senate Journal of Tuesday, November 30, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Alexander, seconded by Senator Ballard, the Senate adjourns at 11:07 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, December 6, at 3:30 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHTH DAY

Senate Chamber Monday, December 6, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Senator Carl Ford, Senator from Rowan County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Ford, as follows:

"Father, we thank you for this another day, another week you've given us, and we don't take it lightly. We thank you that you've given us life and it more abundantly. We pray that you'll guide and direct us today and the rest of this week. In Jesus' name, Amen."

December 2, 2021

Senator Johnson announces that the Senate Journal of Thursday, December 2, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Johnson, seconded by Senator Ford, the Senate adjourns at 3:32 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Friday, December 10, at 10:00 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

A vetoed bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, was returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate, as follows:

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 326, "An Act to Amend the Date by Which Mail-In Absentee Ballots Must Be Received by the County Board of Elections in Order to Be Counted, to Require Publishing of the Date Absentee Ballots Are Available and the Deadline for Requesting an Absentee Ballot, and to Provide for the Reporting of Ballots by the County Boards of Elections."

The legislature ironically named this bill "The Election Day Integrity Act" when it actually does the opposite. Election integrity means counting every legal vote, but this bill virtually guarantees that some will go uncounted.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 2nd day of December 2021, at 11:41 a.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Senator Rabon orders the bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

APPOINTMENT OF A CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

S.B. 219 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, TO CLARIFY THE DESIGN-BUILD AND DESIGN-BUILD BRIDGING STATUTES, TO PROHIBIT WAIVER OF FUTURE CLAIMS FOR PROGRESS PAYMENTS ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, AND TO REQUIRE ATTORNEYS' FEES IN CERTAIN LIEN CLAIMS.

December 6, 2021

Pursuant to the Senate having failed to concur in the House Committee Substitute bill for S.B. 219 on November 29, Senator Berger, President *Pro Tempore*, appoints Senator McInnis, Chair; Senator Johnson and Senator Daniel as conferees on the part of the Senate to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies. A special message is ordered sent to the House of Representatives informing that honorable body of such action and requesting conferees.

CHAPTERED BILL

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bill properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Number, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 334, AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO THE CURRENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2021 AND OTHER LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE STATE BUDGET. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, December 6, 2021 - S.L. 2021-189)

Pursuant to Senator Johnson's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-NINTH DAY

Senate Chamber Friday, December 10, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Jim Burgin, Senator from Harnett County.

Prayer is offered by Senator Burgin, as follows:

"Dear Lord, we thank you for this day and the opportunity to be in the capital and to do your business. Lord, I just right now want to lift up Angela Ford and the Ford family, Senator Ford's wife in the passing of her father, Garland Faw. Lord, I ask that you be with them, especially here at Christmas when families come together to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. Be with them, give them your special mercy, grace, and peace as they go through this time. I also just want to thank you for the blessings that you give us and ask that you be with families and protect them and be with the folks that are still struggling. We ask all this in your Son, Jesus', name. Amen."

Senator Ford announces that the Senate Journal of Monday, December 6, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Ford, seconded by Senator Batch, the Senate adjourns at 10:02 a.m., pursuant to Resolution 2021-10, in memory of Garland Faw, and subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Thursday, December 30, at 12:00 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

A vetoed bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, was returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate, as follows:

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 725, "An Act to Prohibit the Acceptance of Private Money for Conducting Elections or Hiring Temporary Elections Workers."

Elections are fundamental to our democracy and in 2020, grants from nonpartisan nonprofits were needed for necessities such as masks, single-use pens and other protective equipment so voters stayed safe during the pandemic. The legislature should start properly funding elections boards to ensure accessible, safe, and secure elections every time, which would end the need for grants.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 9th day of December 2021, at 3:29 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Senator Rabon orders the bill, together with the Governor's objections and veto message, referred to the Rules and Operations of the Senate Committee.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives December 6, 2021

Mr. President:

December 10, 2021

Pursuant to the information that your Honorable Body failed to concur in S.B. 219 House Committee Substitute (4th Edition), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE OF A PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR, TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL CHANGES, TO CLARIFY THE DESIGN-BUILD AND DESIGN-BUILD BRIDGING STATUTES, TO PROHIBIT WAIVER OF FUTURE CLAIMS FOR PROGRESS PAYMENTS ON CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS, AND TO REQUIRE ATTORNEYS' FEES IN CERTAIN LIEN CLAIMS, and requests conferees, Speaker Moore has appointed:

Representative Arp, Chair

on the part of the House of Representatives to confer with a like committee appointed by the Senate to the end that the differences arising may be resolved.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives December 10, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that **H.B. 220 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED, TO MODIFY PUBLIC RECORDS LAW REGARDING SENSITIVE PUBLIC SECURITY INFORMATION, TO AUTHORIZE THE UTILITIES COMMISSION TO ADOPT PROCEDURES TO ALLOW LESSORS WHO PROVIDE WATER AND SEWER SERVICE TO LESSEES IN CERTAIN DWELLINGS TO CHARGE FOR THE COST OF THE SERVICE IN THE SAME MANNER AS ELECTRIC SERVICE AND NATURAL GAS SERVICE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on December 9, 2021 and was returned to the House of Representatives with the attached veto message.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Governor's objections and veto message can be found in the Addendum.

December 10, 2021

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following special message is received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives December 10, 2021

Mr. President:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the Senate informing that Honorable Body that **H.B. 294 (Ratified)**, AN ACT PERMITTING DEALERS TO SELL USED VEHICLES ISSUED A SALVAGE CERTIFICATION WITHOUT CONDUCTING A SAFETY INSPECTION, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on December 9, 2021 and was returned to the House of Representatives with the attached veto message.

Respectfully, S/ James White Principal Clerk

The Governor's objections and veto message can be found in the Addendum.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The Enrolling Clerk reports the following bills properly enrolled, assigned the following Chapter Numbers, and presented to the Office of the Secretary of State:

- **H.B. 110,** AN ACT TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND PREVENTION OF EVICTIONS (HOPE) PROGRAM. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, December 9, 2021 S.L. 2021-190)
- S.B. 473, AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT OF UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY THE SUBJECT OF AN AUDIT BY THE STATE AUDITOR, TO REQUIRE GARNISHMENT OF CERTAIN MONIES OWED TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL OF A UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, TO PROVIDE IT IS A CRIME FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL TO MISUSE THE ELECTED OFFICE FOR PERSONAL FINANCIAL GAIN, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A PUBLIC OFFICER ALSO SERVING ON A NONPROFIT BOARD SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN SELF-DEALING WITH REGARD TO AWARD OF PUBLIC AGENCY CONTRACTS TO THAT NONPROFIT. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, December 9, 2021 S.L. 2021-191)
- **S.B. 329,** AN ACT TO MODIFY ARCHITECT LICENSURE AND SEAL, ENGINEER SEAL, AND BUILDING PERMIT EXEMPTION CRITERIA FOR CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND TO DELAY THE

December 10, 2021

APPLICABILITY OF REVISIONS TO THE NORTH CAROLINA TIMESHARE ACT TO TIMESHARE TRANSFER SERVICES AND TRANSFER SERVICE PROVIDERS. (Became law upon approval of the Governor, December 9, 2021 - S.L. 2021-192)

Pursuant to Senator Ford's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTIETH DAY

Senate Chamber Thursday, December 30, 2021

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

Prayer is offered by The Honorable Ralph Hise, Senator from Mitchell County, as follows:

"Dear heavenly Father, God, we thank you for this opportunity you have given us to come before you, God, in this great place. God, as we close out this year here, which will be our final session of the year, God, we ask that as 2021 goes behind us, God, you show us a path for greater prosperity for 2022, God. We ask that you bless this state, this nation, and this community in all things. This we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen."

Senator Hise, Deputy President *Pro Tempore*, announces that the Senate Journal of Friday, December 10, has been examined and is found to be correct. Upon his motion, the Senate dispenses with the reading of the Senate Journal and it stands approved as written.

Upon motion of Senator Hise, seconded by Senator Woodard, the Senate adjourns at 12:07 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations set forth in Senate Rule 24.1, to reconvene Monday, January 3, at 10:00 a.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message is received from the Governor:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

December 17, 2021

VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Mark Robinson Lieutenant Governor 310 N. Blount Street Raleigh, North Carolina 27601

Dear Lt. Governor Robinson:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §96-15.3 (c), I am pleased to nominate Johnnie L. Finch, Jr. of Pasquotank County to serve on the North Carolina Employment Security Board of Review for a term that began on July 1, 2021, and hereby submit his name for consideration by the General Assembly.

I am grateful for Mr. Finch's willingness to assume this important responsibility for the State of North Carolina. Please feel free to call my staff for any additional information.

Sincerely, S/ Roy Cooper

cc: The Honorable Phil Berger The Honorable Tim Moore The Honorable Dan Blue The Honorable Robert T. Reives II Ms. Sarah Holland

Ms. Sarah Holland Mr. James White

Pursuant to Senator Hise's motion to adjourn having prevailed, the Senate stands adjourned.

MARK K. ROBINSON *President of the Senate*

SARAH HOLLAND Principal Clerk

ADDENDUM SENATE JOURNAL SESSION 2021

EDITOR'S NOTES

The five-digit numbers and multi-digit strings of numbers and letters appearing throughout the Senate Journal indicate the coded draft number of the proposed committee substitute or proposed conference committee substitute, respectively, approved by a committee and submitted to the Senate for consideration.

The numerical figures appearing in parentheses throughout the Senate Journal represent the affirmative and negative votes cast and recorded electronically, pursuant to Rule 25.

Upon a motion offered, the phrase "without objection" reflects a determination by the Chair that there is no objection from a member present, which constitutes unanimous consent, for the order of the Chair.

Sarah Holland Principal Clerk

VETO MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR: HOUSE BILLS NOT RECEIVED BY THE SENATE

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 220, "An Act to Limit Cities and Counties From Prohibiting Consumer Choice of Energy Service Based Upon the Type or Source of Energy to Be Delivered, to Modify Public Records Law Regarding Sensitive Public Security Information, to Authorize the Utilities Commission to Adopt Procedures to Allow Lessors Who Provide Water and Sewer Service to Lessees in Certain Dwellings to Charge for the Cost of the Service in the Same Manner as Electric Service and Natural Gas Service, and to Make a Technical Correction."

This legislation undermines North Carolina's transition to a clean energy economy that is already bringing in thousands of good paying jobs. It also wrongly strips local authority and hampers public access to information about critical infrastructure that impacts the health and well-being of North Carolinians.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this the 9th day of December 2021, at 3:33 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 264, "An Act to Clarify the Expiration of a Statewide State of Emergency and the Exercise of Certain Powers Under a Statewide State of Emergency, to Clarify the Abatement of Statewide Imminent Hazards, and to Clarify Statewide Quarantines."

North Carolina is emerging from a global pandemic with lives saved and a strong economy because of effective statewide measures to protect public health under the Emergency Management Act. Critical decisions about stopping deadly diseases, or responding to any other emergency, should stay with experts in public health and safety, not a committee of partisan politicians. We must be able to act quickly and thoroughly when deadly diseases, hurricanes, or any other dangers threaten people's lives and jobs. An emergency needs decisive, quick and comprehensive action, not bureaucracy and politics.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this the 1st day of November 2021, at 7:37 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 294, "An Act Permitting Dealers to Sell Used Vehicles Issued a Salvage Certification Without Conducting a Safety Inspection."

This legislation removes a layer of protection for consumers when buying a vehicle.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this the 9th day of December 2021, at 3:33 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 324, "An Act to Demonstrate the General Assembly's Intent That Students, Teachers, Administrators, and Other School Employees Recognize the Equality and Rights of All Persons and to Prohibit Public School Units From Promoting Certain Concepts that Are Contrary to That Intent."

The legislature should be focusing on supporting teachers, helping students recover lost learning, and investing in our public schools. Instead, this bill pushes calculated, conspiracy-laden politics into public education.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this the 10th day of September 2021, at 3:42 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 352, "An Act to Clarify That Occupants of Accommodations Provided by Hotels, Motels, or Similar Lodgings Do Not Create a Tenancy and Are Not Subject to Chapter 42 of the General Statutes and to Clarify That These Occupancies Are Governed by the Statutes Relating to Inns, Hotels, and Other Transient Occupancies."

This legislation is not the right way to ensure safety in hotels. It removes legal protections and allows unnecessary harm to vulnerable people, including families with children, who have turned to hotels and motels for housing in a time of need.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this the 30th day of August 2021, at 4:14 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 398, "An Act to Repeal Pistol Purchase Permits."

Gun permit laws reduce gun homicides and suicides and reduce the availability of guns for criminal activity. At a time or rising gun violence, we cannot afford to repeal a system that works to save lives. The legislature should focus on combating gun violence instead of making it easier for guns to end up in the wrong hands.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this the 30th day of August 2021, at 4:14 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 453, "An Act to Protect Against Discrimination of Human Life."

This bill gives the government control over what happens and what is said in the exam room between a woman and her doctor at a time she faces one of the most difficult decisions of her life. This bill is unconstitutional and it damages the doctor-patient relationship with an unprecedented government intrusion.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this the 25th day of June 2021, at 1:40 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 729, "An Act to Authorize All Governing Boards of Public School Units to Request Residency Licenses and to Change the Membership of the North Carolina Charter Schools Advisory Board and Create a Stagger for the Appointments to the Board."

The State Board of Education is constitutionally and statutorily charged with administering children's education in state public schools, including charter schools. It is critical that the Board have both of their appointments to the Charter School Advisory Board to carry out its constitutional duties.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this the 23rd day of August 2021, at 4:18 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 805, "An Act to Increase the Penalties for Rioting or Inciting Rioting That Causes Damage to Property, Serious Bodily Injury, or Death and Assaulting Emergency Personnel During a Riot or State of Emergency; to Allow Recovery of Treble Damages for Property Damage or Personal Injury Caused by Rioting or Looting; and to Require Pretrial Release Conditions for Rioting and Looting Offenses to Be Determined by a Judge."

People who commit crimes during riots and at other times should be prosecuted and our laws provide for that, but this legislation is unnecessary and is intended to intimidate and deter people from exercising their constitutional rights to peacefully protest.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

S/ Roy Cooper Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this the 10th day of September 2021, at 3:41 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

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NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2021-2022 SENATE DISTRICTS AND COUNTIES¹

1	Camden, Chowan, Currituck,	26	Guilford (Part), Randolph
	Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde,	27	Guilford (Part)
	Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell,	28	Guilford (Part)
	Washington	29	Davidson, Montgomery
2 3	Carteret, Craven, Pamlico	30	Caswell, Rockingham, Stokes,
3	Beaufort, Bertie, Martin,		Surry (Part)
	Northampton, Vance, Warren	31	Davie, Forsyth (Part)
4	Edgecombe, Halifax, Wilson	32	Forsyth (Part)
5	Greene, Pitt	33	Rowan, Stanly
6	Jones, Onslow	34	Iredell, Yadkin
7	Lenoir, Wayne	35	Union (Part)
8	Bladen, Brunswick, New	36	Cabarrus, Union (Part)
	Hanover (Part), Pender	37	Mecklenburg (Part)
9	New Hanover (Part)	38	Mecklenburg (Part)
10	Duplin, Johnston (Part),	39	Mecklenburg (Part)
	Sampson	40	Mecklenburg (Part)
11	Johnston (Part), Nash	41	Mecklenburg (Part)
12	Harnett, Johnston (Part), Lee	42	Alexander, Catawba
13	Columbus, Robeson	43	Gaston (Part)
14	Wake (Part)	44	Cleveland, Gaston (Part),
15	Wake (Part)		Lincoln
16	Wake (Part)	45	Alleghany, Ashe, Surry (Part),
17	Wake (Part)		Watauga, Wilkes
18	Franklin, Wake (Part)	46	Avery, Burke, Caldwell
19	Cumberland (Part)	47	Madison, McDowell, Mitchell,
20	Durham (Part)		Polk, Rutherford, Yancey
21	Cumberland (Part), Hoke	48	Buncombe (Part), Henderson,
22	Durham (Part), Granville, Person		Transylvania
23	Chatham, Orange	49	Buncombe (Part)
24	Alamance, Guilford (Part)	50	Cherokee, Clay, Graham,
25	Anson, Moore, Richmond,		Haywood, Jackson, Macon,
	Scotland		Swain

¹The N.C. Senate district plan used for the 2020 election cycle was enacted by the N.C. General Assembly on September 17, 2019, as S.B. 692, becoming S.L.2019-219 upon its ratification.

SENATORIAL STATEMENTS

Senatorial Statements are spread upon the Journal as follows:

RECOGNIZING THE OBSERVANCE OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Submitted by Senator Waddell on February 16, 2021

WHEREAS, in 1926, the notable African-American historian, Carter G. Woodson, and the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History introduced Black History Month as "Negro History Week". The weeklong celebration honored the birthdays of abolitionists, Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass, and encouraged the teaching of African-American history in the nation's public schools; and

WHEREAS, since 1976, the month of February has been celebrated annually as a tribute to African-American men and women who have made significant contributions and a profound impact on history. Black History Month is a time for reflection and a month for awareness of the challenges that African-Americans overcame throughout history; and

WHEREAS, Harriet Ann Jacobs, a slave born in Edenton, North Carolina, escaped from slavery and became an abolitionist speaker and reformer. In spite of being born into slavery, John Merrick, an African-American entrepreneur from Clinton, North Carolina, became the founder of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company. Romare Bearden, a native of Charlotte, North Carolina, was an Afro-American artist and writer whose work celebrated the African-American experience. In 2013, the Romare Bearden Park in Charlotte was named after him; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina is home to eleven Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) which give African-American students equal learning opportunities and offer a rich history and culture. Shaw University, located in Raleigh, North Carolina, was the first college in the nation to open its doors to women and offer a four-year medical program.

NOW, THEREFORE, February 2021 has been designated by the State of North Carolina as *Black History Month: Preserving African American Heritage and Culture.* Let us continue to preserve the legacy and honor the achievements of African-Americans in every area of endeavor throughout history.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the Senate and placed upon the Journal on the 16th day of February, 2021.

S/ Senator Joyce Waddell
S/ Sarah Holland
Senate Principal Clerk

HONORING SENATOR JEANNE HOPKINS LUCAS

Submitted by Senator Murdock on March 22, 2021

WHEREAS, Jeanne Lucas, the first African American woman elected to the North Carolina State Senate, was born and raised in Durham, where she graduated from Hillside High School and earned both her bachelor's and master's degrees at North Carolina Central University; and

WHEREAS, fluent in both Spanish and French, she was a longtime teacher at Hillside High School and served as President of the North Carolina Association of Classroom Teachers, then in various administrative positions for Durham Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, she was appointed to complete an unexpired term in the State's 20th Senatorial District and was subsequently re-elected six times. Along with chairing numerous committees, Senator Lucas rose to become part of the Senate leadership as Majority Whip; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lucas, known as "Queen Jeanne" by some of her fellow Senators, served on various Senate committees, including Senior Chair of the Appropriations on Education/Higher Education Committee, Co-chair of the Education/Higher Education Committee, and vice-chair of the Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources Committee; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lucas never forgot her roots and fought tirelessly and represented all of Durham's citizens with great pride, eloquence, and tenacity while also serving in numerous organizations, including Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., the Links, Inc., the National Council of Negro Women, the Durham Committee on the Affairs of Black People, and the NAACP. She was also a member and Trustee of Mount Gilead Baptist Church;

NOW, THEREFORE, in honor of Women's History Month 2021, the contributions of Senator Jeanne Hopkins Lucas as a trailblazer and a fearless leader for all North Carolinians should be memorialized and acknowledged.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the Senate on the twenty-second day of March, 2021.

S/ Senator Natalie Murdock

S/ Sarah Holland Senate Principal Clerk

HONORING AND OBSERVING MARCH AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Submitted by Senator Waddell on March 25, 2021

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our State in countless recorded and unrecorded ways; and

WHEREAS, American women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of the State by constituting a significant portion of the labor force, working inside and outside of the home; and

WHEREAS, American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the State by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the State; and

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement; and

WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina has recognized many strong women from Virginia Dare, the first child born to English parents in America on North Carolina's coast, to the countless number of women who have served in our State's General Assembly;

NOW, THEREFORE, the month of March should be honored and observed as Women's History Month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the Senate and placed upon the Journal on the twenty-fifth day of March, 2021.

S/ Senator Joyce Waddell	S/ Sarah Holland Senate Principal Clerk
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HONORING DR. THANI KUMAR CHERAN

Submitted by Senator Nickel on April 19, 2021

WHEREAS, Dr. Thani Kumar Cheran came to the United States in 1968 to pursue his degree in Electrical Engineering at the University of Missouri at Columbia, Missouri. After completing his PhD there, he worked at Public Service Electric Company in New Jersey from 1971 to 1975. He briefly taught at the University of Akron in Ohio before he joined CP & L. He later moved to North Carolina where he served as an Adjunct Professor at North Carolina State University. Dr. Cheran became a citizen in 1982; and

WHEREAS, outside of his work, in 1989 Dr. Cheran founded Tamil Sangam of Carolina, Inc., a nonprofit organization, which he has incorporated in the State of North Carolina. For the past 31 years, this organization has been serving the people of North Carolina with the main objectives of (i) cultivating, promoting, and fostering the exchange of ideas and understanding between the peoples of Tamil and other cultures and (ii) developing the advancement of knowledge in Tamil language and literature. He is one of the board members of the Cary Tamil School; and

WHEREAS, the Cary Tamil School is teaching Tamil language and culture to second generation Tamil American children in North Carolina. Tamil is the oldest language in the world that is still widely spoken. The Cary Tamil School started with 10 students in 2005 and has grown to over 600 students. Students from all over the world now come to learn the Tamil language, including university students and professors; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Cheran also founded World Tamil Organization, Inc., a nonprofit organization to promote the legitimate rights of the people anywhere in the world, and the International Educational Foundation, Inc., a charitable foundation to help the schools in needy areas to impart education in their native language of the students for effective learning;

NOW, THEREFORE, Dr. Thani Kumar Cheran deserves to be commended for his many years of teaching the Tamil language and sharing its culture with the people of North Carolina and to be recognized for establishing organizations that help others around the world.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the Senate on the nineteenth day of April, 2021.

S/ Senator Wiley Nickel

S/ Sarah Holland Senate Principal Clerk

IN HONOR OF MS. HESTER MCCARDELL FORD

Submitted by Senator Waddell on April 29, 2021

WHEREAS, Ms. Hester McCardell Ford was born in Lancaster County, South Carolina to Peter and Francis McCardell on August 15, 1904; and

WHEREAS, prior to her death on Friday, April 16, 2021, Ms. Ford was the oldest living person in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ford grew up on a farm where she planted, plowed the field, and cut wood; and

WHEREAS, she married Mr. John Ford, a steel worker, at the age of 15 and they later moved to Charlotte in 1953; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ford was a longtime member of Macedonia Baptist Church where she attended each first Sunday of every month for communion; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ford was the matriarch of a large family, having had 12 children, 48 grandchildren, 108 great grandchildren, and over 120 great-great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ford lived her life as a child of God and as a missionary who loved everybody. She took care of sick neighbors, and fed those who were hungry, and her doors were always open to those in need.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the Office of Senator Joyce Waddell honors the life and legacy of Ms. Hester McCardell Ford and hereby proclaims Thursday April 29, 2021 as Ms. Hester McCardell Ford Day in the 40th Senatorial District, Mecklenburg County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the Senate and placed upon the Journal on the twenty-ninth day of April, 2021.

S/ Senator Joyce Waddell

S/ Sarah Holland Senate Principal Clerk

HONORING THE SERVICE AND MEMORY OF PRIVATE FIRST CLASS HENRY ELLIS

Submitted by Senator Ford on September 1, 2021

WHEREAS, throughout our history, the United States of America has been protected by patriots who risked their lives and served nobly to protect and preserve our independence, the principles of justice, and our republic; and

WHEREAS, Americans live in freedom because of the contributions, immeasurable sacrifices, and unspeakable hardships of the brave sons and daughters of the United States Armed Forces who have courageously defended America; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Ellis was born in Rowan County to Martin Luther Ellis and Onnie Chambers Ellis and became a member of the United States Marine Corps, heroically answering the call to serve our Great Nation; and

WHEREAS, on November 30, 1950, Private First Class Ellis died in action at the age of 22, in Korea, defending a United States military convoy against a Chinese attack at Koto-ri during the Battle of the Chosin Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, Private First Class Ellis was the recipient of several awards including the Purple Heart, Combat Action Ribbon, Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, and World War II Victory Medal and Presidential Unit Citation with three bronze stars and has been chosen to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor for being a Montford Point Marine; and

WHEREAS, after decades of being missing in action, Private First Class Ellis' remains have finally come home to Rowan County, where he was laid to rest in the Salisbury National Cemetery on August 23, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to respectfully honor the memory of Private First Class Ellis and to commemorate his bravery and service on August 23, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the Senate on the first day of September, 2021.

S/ Senator Carl Ford	S/ Sarah Holland
	Senate Principal Clerk

EXECUTIVE ORDERS of the GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

In compliance with G.S. 147-16.1, the Office of the Governor of the State of North Carolina has filed with the Senate Principal Clerk a copy of all Executive Orders issued in 2021. The full text of Executive Orders 188 through 243 issued by Governor Roy Cooper can be found in the printed Session Laws of the 2021 General Assembly.

Executive Order	Title	Date of Issuance
188	Extension of the Modified Stay at Home Order	January 6, 2021
189	Further Extension of the Modified Stay at Home Order	January 27, 2021
190	Extension of Authorization of Delivery and Carry-out of Services and Products as an Alternative to On-Site Consumption and Receipt	January 27, 2021
191	Extending Assistance for North Carolinians at Risk of Eviction and Extending Processes to Expedite Payment of Unemployment Insurance Claims	January 27, 2021
192	Reissue Certain Transportation-Related Provisions in Previous Executive Orders	January 27, 2021
193	Extending Certain Health and Human Services Provisions in Previous Executive Orders and Delegations of Authority	February 9, 2021
194	Declaration of a State of Emergency and Temporary Suspension of Motor Vehicle Regulations to Ensure Restoration of Utility Services	February 17, 2021
195	Lifting the Modified Stay at Home Order and Easing Certain Restrictions on Businesses and Gatherings	February 24, 2021
196	Declaration of State of Emergency	February 24, 2021

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197	Extending and Amending Certain Transportation-Related Provisions in Previous Executive Orders	February 26, 2021
198	Reissuing Prior Executive Orders on Remote Shareholder and Nonprofit Meetings During the Covid-19 State of Emergency	February 26, 2021
199	Notice of Termination of Executive Order No. 194	February 26, 2021
200	Reinstating Work Search Requirements For Unemployment Insurance Benefits For New Claimants	March 1, 2021
201	Notice of Termination of Executive Order No. 178	March 4, 2021
202	Declaration of a State of Emergency and Temporary Suspension of Motor Vehicle Regulations to Ensure Restoration of Utility Services	March 18, 2021
203	Notice of Termination of Executive Order No. 202	March 22, 2021
204	Further Easing of Restrictions on Businesses and Gatherings	March 23, 2021
205	Further Extension of Authorization of Delivery and Carry-Out of Services and Products as an Alternative to On-Site Consumption and Receipt	March 30, 2021
206	Extending Assistance for North Carolinians At Risk of Eviction	March 30, 2021
207	Further Extending Processes to Expedite Payment of Unemployment Insurance Claims	March 30, 2021
208	Establishing the Juvenile Sentence Review Board	April 8, 2021
209	Removing the Outdoor Face Covering Requirement, Relaxing Restrictions on Gatherings, and Extending the Capacity and Social Distancing Measures of Executive Order No. 204	April 28, 2021

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210	Further Extension of Authorization of Delivery and Carry-Out of Services and Products as an Alternative to On-Site Consumption and Receipt	April 29, 2021
211	Extending Certain Health and Human Services Provisions in Previous Executive Orders and Delegations of Authority	May 10, 2021
212	Reissuing Prior Executive Orders on Remote Shareholder and Nonprofit Meetings During the Covid-19 State of Emergency	May 10, 2021
213	Declaration of a State of Emergency and Temporary Suspension of Motor Vehicle Regulations to Ensure Adequate Fuel Supplies Throughout the State	May 10, 2021
214	Disaster Declaration for the City of Marion in McDowell County and the Town of Lillington in Harnett County	May 14, 2021
215	Lifting Covid-19 Restrictions to Reflect New Public Health Recommendations	May 14, 2021
216	Reinstating Work Search Requirements for Unemployment Insurance Benefits	May 21, 2021
217	Extending Transportation-Related Provisions in Previous Executive Orders	June 1, 2021
218	Advancing North Carolina's Economic and Clean Energy Future with Offshore Wind	June 9, 2021
219	Establishing an Incentive Program to Encourage Vaccination Against Covid-19	June 10, 2021
220	Extension of Covid-19 Measures to Reflect Public Health Recommendations	June 11, 2021
221	Further Extending Processes to Expedite Payment of Unemployment Insurance Claims	June 16, 2021
222	Reestablishing the North Carolina Interagency Council for Coordinating Homelessness Programs	June 30, 2021

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223	Postsecondary Educational Institutions' Responsibilities Regarding Name, Image, and Likeness Compensation of Student-Athletes	July 2, 2021
224	Implementing Measures to Address Covid-19 and Related Variants	July 29, 2021
225	Extending Certain Health and Human Services Provisions in Previous Executive Orders and Delegations of Authority	August 6, 2021
226	Governor's Teacher Advisory Committee	August 13, 2021
227	Declaration of a State of Emergency and Temporary Suspension of Motor Vehicle Regulations	August 18, 2021
228	Flexibility Regarding Certain Law Enforcement Training Courses	August 27, 2021
229	Extending Measures to Facilitate Vaccine Administration, Covid-19 Testing, and the Vaccine Verification Policy for Cabinet Agence	August 31, 2021
230	Extending Transportation-Related Provisions in Previous Executive Orders	August 31, 2021
231	Reinstating Certain Unemployment Insurance Requirements	September 2, 2021
232	Directing the Issuance of a Statewide Standing Order to Expand Access to Monoclonal Antibody Treatment for Covid-19	September 2, 2021
233	Extension and Modification of Executive Order No. 227	September 17, 2021
234	Providing Flexibility in Certain Health Assessments and Immunization Requirements Due to Impacts of the Pandemic	September 24, 2021
235	Extending the Governor's Advisory Council on Hispanic/Latino Affairs	October 4, 2021

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236	Extending Certain Health and Human Services Provisions in Previous Executive Orders and Delegations of Authority	October 4, 2021
237	Declaration of a State of Emergency by the Governor of the State of North Carolina	November 15, 2021
238	Further Extending Measures to Facilitate Vaccine Administration, Covid-19 Testing, and the Vaccine Verification Policy for Cabinet Agencies	November 29, 2021
239	Extending Transportation-Related Provisions in Previous Executive Orders	November 29, 2021
240	Flexibility Regarding Certain Law Enforcement Training Courses	November 30, 2021
241	Delegation of Authority from the Governor to the Secretary of Public Safety and Promulgation and Implementation of the North Carolina Emergency Operations Plan	December 17, 2021
242	Extending the State Emergency Response Commission	December 17, 2021
243	Extension of Executive Order No. 113	December 30, 2021

SENATE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS 2021

STANDING COMMITTEES

AGRICULTURE, ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT

Tues at 10:00 a.m./Wed at 9:00 a.m. (544 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Edwards
Co-Chair Senator B. Jackson
Co-Chair Senator Sanderson

Members Senators Barnes, Burgin, Craven, Davis, Fitch, Garrett, J.

Jackson, Jarvis, McInnis, Murdock, Newton, Proctor,

Salvador, Steinburg, Woodard*

APPROPRIATIONS/BASE BUDGET

Tues/Wed/Thurs at 8:30 a.m. (544 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Harrington
Co-Chair Senator Hise
Co-Chair Senator B. Jackson

Members Senators Alexander, Ballard, Blue, Britt, Chaudhuri, Clark,

Daniel, deViere, Ford, Foushee, Krawiec, Lee, Lowe, Marcus, McInnis, Mohammed, Perry, Rabon, Robinson,

Sanderson, Sawyer, Woodard

APPROPRIATIONS ON AGRICULTURE, NATURAL, AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES

Tues/Wed/Thurs at 8:30 a.m. (1124 LB)

Co-ChairSenator EdwardsCo-ChairSenator JohnsonCo-ChairSenator Sanderson

Members Senators Barnes, Marcus, Mayfield, McInnis, Mohammed,

Newton, Salvador

APPROPRIATIONS ON EDUCATION/HIGHER EDUCATION

Tues/Wed/Thurs at 8:30 a.m. (1027 LB)

Co-Chair Senator Ballard Senator Lee

Members Senators Alexander, Batch, Chaudhuri, Corbin, Craven, Davis,

Foushee, Sanderson

APPROPRIATIONS ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Tues/Wed/Thurs at 8:30 a.m. (423 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Alexander Senator Ford

*Appointed April 9, 2021

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (continued)

Co-Chair Senator Steinburg

Members Senators Bazemore, Crawford, Lazzara, Nickel

APPROPRIATIONS ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Tues/Wed/Thurs at 8:30 a.m. (421 LOB)

Chair Senator Burgin
Chair Senator Krawiec
Chair Senator Perry

Members Ballard, Jarvis, Lowe, Murdock, Robinson, Waddell

APPROPRIATIONS ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Tues/Wed/Thurs at 8:30 a.m. (414 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Britt
Co-Chair Senator Daniel

Members Senators Blue, Fitch, Galey, J. Jackson, Steinburg

APPROPRIATIONS ON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Tues/Wed/Thurs at 8:30 a.m. (422 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator McInnis Co-Chair Senator Sawyer

Members Senators de Viere, Garrett, Proctor, Rabon, Woodard

COMMERCE AND INSURANCE

Tues at 1:00 p.m./Thurs at 11:00 a.m. (544 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Edwards
Co-Chair Senator Johnson
Co-Chair Senator McInnis

Members Senators Alexander, Batch, Britt, Burgin, Clark, Corbin,

Craven, deViere, Foushee, Garrett, B. Jackson, Lowe,

Newton, Robinson, Sawyer, Steinburg

EDUCATION/HIGHER EDUCATION

Wed at 11:00 a.m. (544 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Ballard Senator Lee

Members Senators Barnes, Chaudhuri, Corbin, Craven, Davis, Foushee,

Galey, Lazzara, McInnis, Proctor, Robinson, Sanderson,

Sawyer, Waddell

FINANCE

Tues at 2:00 p.m./Wed at 1:00 p.m. (544 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Daniel
Co-Chair Senator Newton
Co-Chair Senator Rabon

FINANCE (continued)

Members Senators Alexander, Ballard, Blue, Britt, Clark, deViere,

Edwards, Fitch, Foushee, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Johnson, Krawiec, Lee, Lowe, Perry, Robinson, Sawyer,

Waddell, Woodard

HEALTH CARE

Wed/Thurs at 10:00 a.m. (544 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Burgin
Co-Chair Senator Krawiec
Co-Chair Senator Perry

Members Senators Ballard, Barnes, Britt, Crawford, Davis, Hise, Jarvis,

Johnson, Lee, Mohammed, Robinson, Woodard

JUDICIARY

Tues at 11:00 a.m. (544 LOB)/Wed at 2:00 p.m. (1027 LB)

Co-Chair Senator Britt
Co-Chair Senator Sanderson

Members Senators Blue, Daniel, Edwards, Fitch, Galey, Harrington, J.

Jackson, Lazzara, Lee, Marcus, Mohammed, Newton,

Nickel, Steinburg

PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT AND AGING

Thurs at 11:00 a.m. (1027 LB)

Co-Chair Senator Ballard
Co-Chair Senator Harrington
Co-Chari Senator Krawiec

Members Senators Alexander, Batch, Bazemore, Burgin, Chaudhuri,

Ford, Hise, Nickel, Perry, Rabon, Steinburg, Waddell

REDISTRICTING AND ELECTIONS

Upon Call of Chair

Co-Chair Senator Daniel
Co-Chair Senator Hise
Co-Chair Senator Newton

Members Senators Blue, Clark, Davis, Edwards, Ford, Harrington, B.

Jackson, Krawiec, Lowe, Marcus, Nickel, Perry, Rabon

RULES AND OPERATIONS OF THE SENATE

Tues/Thurs at 9:00 a.m. (544 LOB)

Chair Senator Rabon

Members Senators Ballard, Blue, Chaudhuri, Clark, Daniel, Davis,

Edwards, Fitch, Harrington, Hise, B. Jackson, Johnson, Krawiec, Lowe, McInnis, Newton, Perry, Sanderson,

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STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Wed at 2:00 p.m. (544 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Alexander
Co-Chair Senator Ford
Co-Chair Senator Steinburg

Members Senators Bazemore, Corbin, Craven, Crawford, Foushee,

Galey, J. Jackson, Jarvis, Lazzara, Mayfield, Proctor,

Salvador, Sanderson

TRANSPORTATION

Wed at 12:00 p.m. (544 LOB)

Co-Chair Senator Britt
Co-Chair Senator McInnis
Co-Chair Senator Sawyer

Members Senators Burgin, Daniel, deViere, Fitch, Ford, Garrett,

Harrington, J. Jackson, Johnson, Mayfield, Murdock,

Proctor, Rabon, Woodard

SELECT COMMITTEES

SELECT COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Upon Call of Chair

Chair Senator Rabon

Members Senators Ballard, Blue, Davis, Foushee, Harrington, Hise, B.

Jackson, Krawiec, Robinson, Sanderson

SELECT COMMITTEE ON PRISON SAFETY

Upon Call of Chair

Chair Senator Steinburg

Members Senators Britt, Burgin, Daniel, Fitch, Harrington, Hise,

McInnis, Mohammed, Murdock, Sanderson, Waddell

SELECT COMMITTEE ON STORM RELATED RIVER DEBRIS AND DAMAGE IN N.C.

Upon Call of Chair

Co-Chair Senator Britt
Co-Chair Senator Perry

Members Senators Batch, Davis, Fitch, Mayfield, McInnis, Rabon,

Sanderson, Steinburg

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Senator Ballard

Senator McInnis

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Diana Xavier

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments to Boards and Commissions were made during 2021 by The Honorable Mark Robinson, President of the Senate.

President of the Senate Appointments	Appointed	Expires
BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER, BOARD O	OF DIRECTORS, NO	RTH CAROLINA
Bylaws- 10/17/2000		
Ms. Kelly Fuller	06/30/2021	06/30/2023
Mr. Frank Grainger (RA)	06/30/2021	06/30/2023
Mr. John C. Rabby (RA)	06/30/2021	06/30/2023
INNOVATION COUNCIL, NORTH CARG G.S. 169-4(b)(6) Ms. Agnes Gambill West	OLINA 10/01/2021	09/30/2025
SENTENCING AND POLICY ADVISORY	COMMISSION	
G.S. 164-37		
Mr. Joseph Houchin	07/01/2021	06/30/2023

SENATE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments and recommendations to Boards and Commissions were made during 2021 by The Honorable Phil Berger, President *Pro Tempore*.

President Pro Tempore Appointments	Appointed	Expires
911 BOARD		
G.S. 143B-1401(a)(3)(b)		
Mr. Edward L. Kerlin	09/01/2021	12/31/2022
ACUPUNCTURE LICENSING BOARD,		
G.S. 90-453(a)		
Mr. Samuel "Ben" Townsend	09/01/2021	06/30/2024
AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE COMM	ISSION	
G.S. 143B-135(b)(2)		
Ms. Tanzy B. Wallace	10/01/2021	09/30/2024
AGRICULTURAL FINANCE AUTHORITY,	NORTH CAROLII	NA
G.S. 122D-4(b)(5); G.S. 122D-4(b)(6)		
Mr. Peter T. Daniel	09/01/2021	07/01/2024
Ms. Jessica K. Proctor (RA)	09/01/2021	07/01/2024
AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY AWAREN	NESS STUDY CON	MISSION
G.S. 120-150(a)(2)		
Sen. Brent Jackson (CC)(RA)	06/07/2021	01/15/2023

President Pro Tempore Appointments	Appointed	Expires	
APPRAISAL BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA G.S. 93E-1-5(a)			
Mr. H. Clay Taylor III (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2024	
ATHLETICS, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMI OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTER G.S. 120-19.7		NMENTAL	
Sen. Deanna Ballard Sen. Don Davis Sen. Valerie Foushee Sen. Ralph Hise Sen. Todd Johnson Sen. Tom McInnis Sen. Paul Newton Sen. Vickie Sawyer	04/13/2021 04/13/2021 04/13/2021 04/13/2021 04/13/2021 04/13/2021 04/13/2021 04/13/2021	end of biennium end of biennium	
ATHLETIC TRAINER EXAMINERS, NORTH	I CAROLINA BOAR	D OF	
G.S. 90-524(b)(1) Mr. Daniel A. Duffy (RA) Ms. Jackelyn L. Knight	09/01/2021 09/01/2021	07/31/2024 07/31/2024	
BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS BOARD, NORTH CA G.S. 90-726.3(a)(2)	ROLINA		
Ms. Alleta "Selena" Johnson	09/01/2021	06/30/2023	
BOXING COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLIN. G.S. 143-652.2(a)(8)	A		
Dr. John Neidecker	09/01/2021	06/30/2023	
BUILDING COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLI G.S. 143-135.25(c)(2)	NA STATE		
Mr. Roger M. Woods, Jr. (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2024	
CANCER COORDINATION AND CONTROL G.S. 130A-33.50(b)	, ADVISORY COMM		
Sen. Ted Alexander (RA)	07/21/2021	06/30/2025	
Sen. Norm Sanderson (RA) Sen. Vickie Sawyer (RA)	07/21/2021 07/21/2021	06/30/2025 06/30/2025	
CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA G.S. 143B-374			
Sen. Jim Burgin	01/06/2021	12/31/2022	
Sen. Ben Clark (RA)	01/06/2021	12/31/2022	
Sen. Kathy Harrington (RA)	01/06/2021	12/31/2022	
Sen. Todd Johnson	01/06/2021	12/31/2022	
CEMETERY COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA G.S. 65-50(a)			
Mr. John A. "Winn" Graham (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2025	

President Pro Tempore Appointments	Appointed	Expires		
CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA G.S. 115C-218(b)(2)(b)				
Ms. Heidi H. Dean	09/01/2021	06/30/2025		
Dr. John A. Eldridge	09/01/2021	06/30/2025		
Mr. Todd H. Godbey	09/01/2021	06/30/2025		
Dr. Rita C. Haire (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2025		
Di. Kita C. Haife (KA)	09/01/2021	00/30/2023		
CHILD CARE COMMISSION, NORTH CA G.S. 143B-168.4(a)	AROLINA			
Ms. Alicia R. Fink	09/01/2021	06/30/2023		
Ms. Brittany N. Riggs	09/01/2021	06/30/2023		
1713. Billiany 1 1455	05/01/2021	00/30/2023		
CHILD FATALITY TASK FORCE, NORTH	H CAROLINA			
G.S. 7B-1402(b); G.S. 143B-1337(a)(7)	06/07/2021	01/21/2022		
Sen. Jim Burgin (RA)	06/07/2021	01/31/2023		
Ms. Jill K. Cox (RA)	04/28/2021	01/31/2023		
Sen. Don Davis (RA)	06/07/2021	01/31/2023		
Mr. John Phil Harris (RA)	04/20/2021	01/31/2023		
Sen. Todd Johnson (RA)	06/07/2021	01/31/2023		
Ms. Trishana Jones (RA)	04/20/2021	01/31/2023		
Ms. Sarah M. Kirkman (RA)	04/20/2021	01/31/2023		
Ms. Arianna Lavallee (RA)	04/20/2021	01/31/2023		
Sen. Jim Perry (RA)	06/07/2021	01/31/2023		
Sen. Vickie Sawyer (RA)	06/07/2021	01/31/2023		
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CHILDREN INC., BOARD OF DIRECTOR PARTNERSHIP FOR	RS, NORTH CAROL	INA		
G.S. 143B-168.12(a)(1)(e)				
Mr. Andrew H. Weathersbee	03/30/2021	12/31/2022		
CODE OFFICIALS QUALIFICATION BO	ARD. NORTH CARO	OLINA		
G.S.143-151.9(a)(5)	ind, ivoluin cinc			
Mr. Mark Patterson	09/01/2021	06/30/2025		
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COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TR G.S. 115D-12	USTEES, CLEVELA	AND COUNTY		
Mr. Robert P. Queen	09/01/2021	06/30/2025		
CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE F CAROLINA	OR THE BLIND, NO	ORTH		
G.S. 143B-164(a)(1)				
Sen. David W. Craven, Jr.	07/21/2021	06/30/2023		
CONSUMER AND FAMILY ADVISORY C	COMMITTEE, STAT	E		
G.S. 122C-171(b)(2)	0-14-4-2-2-3	0.210.01-0-1		
Dreama A. Wilson	07/14/2021	06/30/2024		
COVID FUNDING, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON USE AND				
DISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL				
G.S. 120-19.7	10/01/2021	4.41		
Sen. Ted Alexander	10/01/2021	at the pleasure		
Sen. Deanna Ballard	10/01/2021	at the pleasure		

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COVID FUNDING, JOINT LEGISLATIVE OF GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS SUBCODISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL (continued)			
Sen. Ben Clark	10/01/2021	at the pleasure	
Sen. Kirk deViere	10/01/2021	at the pleasure	
Sen. Chuck Edwards (CC)	10/01/2021	at the pleasure	
Sen. Valerie Foushee	10/01/2021	at the pleasure	
Sen. Todd Johnson	10/01/2021	at the pleasure	
Sen. Joyce Krawiec	10/01/2021	at the pleasure	
Sen. Tom McInnis	10/01/2021	at the pleasure	
Sen. Paul Newton	10/01/2021	at the pleasure	
CRIME COMMISSION, GOVERNOR'S G.S. 143B-1100(b)(4)			
Mr. Benjamin Curtis (RA)	03/30/2021	02/28/2023	
Ms. Pamela Thompson (RA)	03/30/2021	02/28/2023	
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CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION COM G.S. 15B-3(a)(2)	MISSION		
Ms. Mel L. Chilton	09/01/2021	06/30/2025	
CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND T COMMISSION	RAINING STANDA	ARDS	
G.S. 17C-3(a)(5); G.S. 17C-3(a)(6)	00/01/2021	06/30/2023	
Mr. Richard A. Epley (RA)	09/01/2021		
Ms. Teresa M. Jardon (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2023	
Mr. Ronald L. Parrish (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2023	
Mr. Michael D. Slagle (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2023	
CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION NET	TWORK GOVERN	ING BOARD,	
NORTH CAROLINA G.S. 143B-1391(b)(2)(a)			
Ms. Crystal Dorene Combs Cody (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2025	
	09/01/2021		
Mr. Daniel Kiger (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2025	
CRIMINAL LAW RECODIFICATION, BIP LEGISLATIVE WORKING GROUP	ARTISAN NORTH	CAROLINA	
S.L. 2021-138 sec. 20(b)(5)	10/04/2021	10/01/0000	
Sen. Danny Britt (CC)	10/04/2021	12/31/2022	
Sen. Warren Daniel	10/04/2021	12/31/2022	
Sen. Amy Galey	10/04/2021	12/31/2022	
DIETETICS AND NUTRITION, NORTH CAG.S. 90-354(a)(3)	AROLINA BOARD	OF	
Ms. Susana A. Camarasa (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2024	
DISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR			
G.S. 84-28.1(a)			
Ms. Holly Audette (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2024	

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMISSION		
G.S. 143B-394.15(c)(2)	00/01/0021	00/21/2022
Ms. Cathy Cloninger (RA) Ms. Carianne E. Fisher	09/01/2021 09/01/2021	08/31/2023 08/31/2023
Ms. Carianne E. Fisner Ms. Elizabeth J. "Beth" Hunt	09/01/2021	08/31/2023
Ms. Kathleen A. Lockwood	09/01/2021	08/31/2023
Ms. TeAndra M. Miller	09/01/2021	08/31/2023
ECONOMIC INVESTMENT COMMITTEE		
G.S. 143B-437.54(a)(5)		
Mr. D. Anthony Blackman (RA)	12/01/2021	11/30/2023
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR EXCEPTIONS. 115C-112.1(b)	ONAL CHILDRE	N, COUNCIL ON
Sen. Ted Alexander	07/21/2021	06/30/2023
EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE INNOVA CAROLINA	ATION COMMISS	ION, NORTH
G.S. 115C-64.15(b)(8)	00/01/0001	0 < 10 0 10 00 4
Mr. Satish Garimella (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2024
EDUCATION COMMISSION OF THE STAT G.S. 115C-104	ΓES	
Sen. Deanna Ballard (RA)	03/30/2021	12/31/2022
EDUCATOR PREPARATION AND STANDA	ARDS COMMISSI	ON, NORTH
CAROLINA PROFESSIONAL		
G.S. 115C-268.1(c)(1)(c); G.S. 115C-268.1(c)(1)	(e); G.S. 115C-268.	1(c)(1)(g); G.S.
115C-268.1(c)(1)(h) Dr. Anthony Graham (RA)	09/01/2021	08/31/2023
Dr. Marcie Holland	09/01/2021	08/31/2023
Dr. Michael J. Maher (RA)	09/01/2021	08/31/2023
Mr. Randall Penfield (RA)	09/01/2021	08/31/2023
ELECTROLYSIS EXAMINERS, NORTH CA	AROLINA BOARD	OF
G.S. 88A-5(a)(1) Ms. Stacy M. Miller	01/01/2022	08/31/2024
Ms. Stacy M. Miller	01/01/2022	06/31/2024
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVICAROLINA	SORY COUNCIL,	NORTH
G.S. 143-510(a)(3) Mr. Charles J. "Chuck" Elledge (RA)	01/01/2022	12/31/2025
ENERGY POLICY COUNCIL		
G.S. 113B-3 (c)(12) Ms. Kendal Bowman	05/05/2021	06/30/2023
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G.S. 143B-283(a1)(13); G.S. 143B-283(a1)(14) Mr. Charles S. Carter (RA) 09/01/2021 06/30/2023 Ms. Jennifer T. Kelvington 09/01/2021 06/30/2023 FERRY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES G.S. 160A-684(b)(2) Mr. David Jessen 09/01/2021 06/30/2024 GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION G.S. 164-14(a)(7) Sen. Amy Galey* 04/05/2021 08/31/2021 *to fill unexpired term of Sen. Chuck Edwards GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION COORDINATING COUNCIL, NORTH CAROLINA G.S. 143A-1421(c) Ms. L. V. Pokey Harris (RA) 06/01/2021 05/31/2024 Mr. William I. Shankle 06/01/2021 05/31/2024 Mr. William I. Shankle 06/01/2021 05/31/2024 Mr. William I. Shankle 06/01/2021 05/31/2024 GLOBAL TRANSPARK AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS, NORTH CAROLINA G.S. 63A-3(b)(3) Mr. Danny Barwick Smith (RA) 09/01/2021 06/30/2025 GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON G.S. 120-74 Sen. Deanna Ballard 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Dan Blue 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Dan Blue 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Danny Earl Britt, Jr. 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Danny Earl Britt, Jr. 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Danny Earl Britt, Jr. 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Ben Clark 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Danny Earl Britt, Jr. 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Danny Earl Britt, Jr. 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Danny Earl Britt, Jr. 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Danny Earl Britt, Jr. 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Danny Earl Britt, Jr. 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Chuck Edwards 04/12/2021 end of biennium Sen. Sen. Sen. Sen. Sen. Sen. Sen. Sen.	President Pro Tempore Appointments	Appointed	Expires		
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Ms. Leigh T. Brown (RA)	09/01/2021	06/31/2023	
Ms. Lavonda R. Daniels	09/01/2021	06/31/2023	
Mr. Paul Kennedy (RA)	09/01/2021	06/31/2025	
Mr. M. Charles Mullen (RA)	09/01/2021	06/31/2025	
HUMAN RESOURCES COMMIS G.S. 126-2(b1)(2)			
Mr. Douglas Boyette II (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2025	
INDIAN AFFAIRS, NORTH CAR G.S. 143B-407(a)	OLINA STATE COMMISSION	OF	
Mr. Gerald Goolsby	09/01/2021	06/30/2023	
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The Honorable Jeff Tarte (RA)	03/30/2021	01/01/2023	
INTERPRETER AND TRANSLITERATOR LICENSING BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA			
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Ms. Nicole R. Alleman	09/01/2021	06/30/2024	
Mr. David A. Litman (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2024	
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Mr. W. Charles Nieman (RA)	08/01/2021	09/30/2024
JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION G.S. 7A-375(a)		
Mr. John M. Check (RA) Mr. Fred R. Jarrett (alternate member)	09/01/2021 09/01/2021	12/31/2023 12/31/2023
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G.S. 89D-14(a)(4) Mr. Darrin C. Hockstra	09/01/2021	06/30/2024
LICENSE TO GIVE TRUST FUND COMMIS G.S. 20-7.5(a)(1)(a); G.S. 20-7.5(a)(1)(b); G.S. 20		
Ms. Kelly Cobb (RA)	01/01/2022	12/31/2023
Mr. Michael Daniels	01/01/2022	12/31/2023
Mr. Charles C. Heald (RA)	01/01/2022	12/31/2023
Ms. Amanda A. Mixon (RA)	01/01/2022	12/31/2023
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION G.S. 159-3(a)		
Mr. Paul G. Butler	09/01/2021	06/30/2025
LOCKSMITH LICENSING BOARD, NORTH G.S. 74F-5(a)(1)		
Ms. Deana E. Brena	01/01/2022	12/31/2024
Mr. James D. Storie (RA)	01/01/2022	12/31/2024
MANUFACTURED HOUSING BOARD, NOI G.S. 74F-5(a)(1)		
Mr. James P. Upton III (RA)	10/01/2021	09/30/2024
MARINE INDUSTRIAL PARK AUTHORITY G.S. 113-315.25(d)	Y, NORTH CAROLI	NA
Mr. Mark G. Vrablic	09/01/2021	06/30/2023
MEDIA BOARD OF TRUSTEES, UNIVERSI CENTER FOR PUBLIC G.S. 116-37.1(b)(1)	TY OF NORTH CAI	ROLINA
Ms. Vickie L. Walker (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2023
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Mr. Shawn P. Parker (RA)	11/01/2021	10/31/2024
MEDICINE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, NOR' G.S. 90-471(a)(2)	ГН CAROLINA INS	TITUTE OF
Mr. Cory Hess	01/01/2022	12/31/2025
Mr. Andrew N. Kaiser	01/01/2022	12/31/2025
Mr. Richard B. Montague (RA)	01/01/2022	12/31/2025

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Ms. Kelli W. Howe (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2024	
MUSEUM OF ART BOARD OF TRUSTEES, N G.S. 140-5.13(b)(5)	NORTH CAROLINA		
Ms. Shreita T. Powers (RA) Ms. Peggy L. Wilks (RA)	09/01/2021 09/01/2021	06/30/2025 06/30/2025	
OUTDOOR HERITAGE ADVISORY COUNCE	IL, NORTH CAROL	INA	
G.S. 143B-344.60(b)(1) Mr. Kevin R. Howell (RA)	10/01/2021	09/30/2025	
PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY, N	ORTH CAROLINA		
G.S. 143B-135.202(a)(9) Ms. Cynthia M. Tart (RA)	09/01/2021	07/012024	
PASTORAL COUNSELORS, NORTH CAROL BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF FEE-BASED PR G.S. 90-385(a)(3)	INA STATE RACTICING		
Ms. Alice June Williams	09/01/2021	09/30/2024	
PORTS AUTHORITY, NORTH CAROLINA S	TATE		
G.S. 136-260(e)(2) Mr. Patrick P. Joyce (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2023	
PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD	, NORTH CAROLIN	A	
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G.S. 90-650(a)(3) Dr. Donald Brescia	11/01/2021	10/31/2024	
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Mr. Robert A. "Bobby" Bryan (RA) The Honorable Robert "Bob" Rucho	09/01/2021 03/30/2021	06/30/2023 06/30/2023	
RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY G.S. 143B-472.128(b)(2)			
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SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND INNOVATION	ON, NORTH CAROI	LINA BOARD
G.S. 143B-472.81(a) Dr. Samuel H. Houston (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2023
SENTENCING AND POLICY ADVISORY CO	MMISSION, NORTI	H CAROLINA
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SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING ST	TANDARDS COMM	ISSION,
NORTH CAROLINA G.S. 17E-3(a)(2) Mr. William "Marc" Nichols (RA)	09/01/2021	06/30/2023
SOIL SCIENTISTS, NORTH CAROLINA BOA	ARD FOR LICENSIN	G OF
G.S. 89F-4(a)(7) Mr. William R. Davis	09/01/2021	06/30/2024
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Dr. Susan Stigall	09/01/2021	06/30/2023
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G.S. 116-233 Mr. Calvin R. Brodie (RA)	07/01/2021	06/30/2025
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Mr. Steven D. Wyatt	07/01/2021	06/30/2025
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(CC) Co-Chair

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Mr. Landon G. Zimmer (RA)

(VC) Vice Chair

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