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SEVENTY-FOURTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 7, 2023

The House meets at 9:45 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.:

"Gracious Heavenly Father,

"In the Book of Proverbs You tell us, 'There is a way that seems right unto a man.' The New Testament teaches us 'that God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.' My prayer would be as Legislators and the staff of the NC General Assembly we would seek Your guidance daily as we exercise our duty to You and the citizens of North Carolina. In Christ's Name. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Wheatley reports the Journal of June 6 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Clemmons, and Hastings for today.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Ben Artemenko, Will Artemenko, and Tate Nisly.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 364, AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT TO PROHIBIT COMPELLED SPEECH WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL SEEKS STATE GOVERNMENT OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYMENT, TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STATE AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS, AND TO PROHIBIT STATE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE WORKPLACES FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT.

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H.B. 87, AN ACT TO ALLOW DISTRICT ATTORNEYS TO FILE PROBATION MODIFICATION PETITIONS, TO ALLOW PROBATION OFFICERS TO REDUCE A TERM OF SUPERVISED PROBATION IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, AND TO EXEMPT SHERIFF'S OFFICES FROM CERTAIN STATE CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS WHEN CONTRACTING FOR FOOD AND FOOD SERVICES AT DETENTION FACILITIES.

H.B. 103, AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND SESSION LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.

The following bills are properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 99, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT MEMBERS OF THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SHALL BE ELECTED FROM ELECTORAL DISTRICTS BEGINNING IN 2024 AND TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO NINE MEMBERS BEGINNING IN 2026.

H.B. 174, AN ACT TO STAGGER THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR EVEN-YEAR ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF RURAL HALL.

BILL PLACED ON CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **H.B. 66** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, HICKORY CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, NEWTON-CONOVER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND POLK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO REQUIRE THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOR ELECTING MEMBERS BEGINNING IN 2024; AND TO PROVIDE THAT MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE BOARD OF EDUCATION ARE ELECTED IN A NONPARTISAN PRIMARY AND ELECTION BEGINNING IN 2026, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on today's Calendar.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representatives Kidwell, Setzer, Wray, Howard, Ross, and Tyson, Chairs, for the Committee on Finance:

S.B. 299, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 331 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

H.B. 285 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE AND ADDING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF ASHEBORO, with a favorable report as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, unfavorable as to Material Committee Substitute Bill No. 1, and recommendation that Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Material Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

H.B. 56, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE A TEMPORARY SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR EQUIPMENT DESIGNED TO PREVENT UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS FROM ACCESSING FIREARMS AND TO PROVIDE A TAX CREDIT TO INDIVIDUALS WHO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT DESIGNED TO PREVENT UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS

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FROM ACCESSING FIREARMS, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 10:12 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 2:00 p.m.

RECESS

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 512 House Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, and requests conferees. The President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Daniel, Chair
Senator Rabon
Senator Berger

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 625** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING JUVENILES AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 2 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representatives Hardister and Pickett, Chairs, for the Committee on Education - Universities:

S.B. 195, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 99, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT MEMBERS OF THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SHALL BE ELECTED FROM ELECTORAL DISTRICTS BEGINNING IN 2024 AND TO INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE WAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO NINE MEMBERS BEGINNING IN 2026. (S.L. 2023-30)

H.B. 174, AN ACT TO STAGGER THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF

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EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR EVEN-YEAR ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF RURAL HALL. (S.L. 2023-31)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representatives Hardister and Pickett, Chairs, for the Committee on Education - Universities:

H.B. 640, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE CAREER PATH OPTIONS TRANSPARENCY ACT, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

H.B. 285 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE AND ADDING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO, with a favorable report.

Without objection, the bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 475 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT PARTY DESIGNATIONS ON OFFICIAL BALLOTS BE PRINTED IN ITALICS AND TEN-POINT FONT SIZE, TO RAISE THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT THAT TRIGGERS THE FORTY-EIGHT-HOUR REPORT, WITH AUTOMATIC ADJUSTMENTS FOR

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INFLATION, UNDER CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS, AND TO WAIVE THE FORTY-EIGHT-HOUR REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR CANDIDATES WHO ARE UNOPPOSED DURING A PRIMARY ELECTION, with a favorable report.

Without objection, the bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 195 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report.

Without objection, the bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 299, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT, with a favorable report.

Without objection, the bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 331 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT, with a favorable report.

Without objection, the bill is placed on today's Calendar.

GUESTS

The Speaker extends the courtesies of the floor to his former Chief of Staff, Bart Goodson.

The Speaker extends the courtesies of the floor to Anat Sultan-Dadon, Consul General of Israel to the Southeastern United States, and invites her to make brief remarks to the Body from the Well of the House.

On motion of Representative D. Hall, the following remarks are spread upon the Journal.

REMARKS BY ANAT SULTAN-DADON

"Shalom!

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"Thank you, Speaker Moore, for the warm welcome and introduction on this very special occasion! Thank you, Representative Goodwin and Representative Rudow, for all your efforts in bringing forth the beautiful resolution honoring Israel on its 75th Independence Day, and thank you to all here who supported and voted in favor of this bipartisan resolution!

"Jewish visionary Theodore Herzl, who turned Zionism into a political movement 125 years ago, famously wrote, 'if you will it, it is no dream.'

"Today, we celebrate the realization of the age-old Zionist dream, and there is so much to celebrate. We celebrate the regaining of sovereignty and control of our destiny, and the incredible regathering of the Jewish people in our ancestral homeland. In 75 short years, we have come an incredibly long way, establishing a vibrant democracy, a diverse society and a robust economy. Israel, one of the smallest countries in the world, is today one of the world leaders in technology and innovation.

"Alongside the many achievements to celebrate, one crucial achievement is yet to be fully realized for Israel - peace with our neighbors. Peace was achieved with Egypt in 1979 and with the Kingdom of Jordan in 1994. Twenty-six years later, in 2020, another monumental development was the signing of the Abraham Accords between Israel, the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain, which are paving the way for a new Middle East, one of partnership and prosperity for those who choose a better tomorrow for their peoples. Morocco has since joined the Abraham Accords, and both Israel and the United States are fully committed to further expanding this growing circle of peace.

"While we will keep pursuing that goal, we will always remain prepared to defend ourselves against any threat to our State and people. Israel's eternal commitment as the nation state of the Jewish People, is that never again will a Jew face hate, danger or persecution, with nowhere to turn.

"But there must be a global commitment as well. With antisemitic incidents reaching an all-time high in the United States, declaring 'never again' on Holocaust Remembrance Day is not enough.

"We therefore see great importance in the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance, also referred to as IHRA's working definition of antisemitism, being adopted on a state level. In order to address antisemitism, it must be recognized and acknowledged. The IHRA definition serves as a vital tool in identifying antisemitism when it occurs, so that it can be

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appropriately addressed. The United States is a member country of IHRA and has endorsed its definition of antisemitism on a federal level, and some states have done so on a state level as well. We hope to see North Carolina join in adopting the IHRA definition of antisemitism, and in so doing it can not only better move forward in addressing antisemitism, it would also send a clear message that antisemitism in any shape or form has no place in the state of North Carolina.

"Celebrating Israel's independence is of special significance here in the United States.

"Our many accomplishments were made possible also thanks to the support of our friends.

"As we celebrate 75 years of independence, we are also celebrating 75 years of the robust relations between Israel and the United States.

"On May 14, 1948, the State of Israel declared its Independence and just minutes after, United States President Harry Truman was the first world leader to officially recognize the modern state of Israel! Since then, the United States has stood steadfast in its support of the nation state of the Jewish people.

"Within the United States, the State of North Carolina stands out in its support of Israel and of our bilateral relations, which encompass a vast variety of fields - economic, cultural, academic and more.

"Among many resolutions honoring the North Carolina-Israel partnership, North Carolina's support of Israel was clearly reflected in 2017 with this legislature passing an anti-BDS bill, stating clearly that the State of North Carolina will not do business with those who boycott the United States' greatest ally in the Middle East - Israel.

"As we celebrate Israel's accomplishments and as we continue to face challenges, we know that we do not stand alone. I would like to finish by saying 'Thank You, Toda Raba' to our many friends here in the North Carolina State Legislature, for your support and commitment to Israel and the continued realization of our dream."

GUEST

The Speaker extends the courtesies of the floor to Karen Isenberg Jones, Director of Government and Political Affairs for the Consulate General of Israel to the Southeastern United States.

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CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

H.B. 347 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE WAGERING ON PROFESSIONAL, COLLEGE, AND AMATEUR SPORTS AND ON HORSE RACING IN NORTH CAROLINA, AND TO AUTHORIZE LIVE HORSE RACING IN NORTH CAROLINA.

On motion of Representative Saine, the House concurs in material Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, on its third roll call reading, by the following vote, and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Alexander, Alston, A. Baker, Bell, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Budd, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Dahle, Davis, Everitt, Faircloth, Gill, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Hawkins, Humphrey, F. Jackson, Jeffers, Johnson, B. Jones, Lambeth, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Pickett, Pless, Price, Pyrtle, Reeder, Reives, Roberson, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Carson Smith, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, Strickland, Tyson, Warren, Watford, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, and Wray - 68.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Adams, Ager, Arp, Autry, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Biggs, Blackwell, Brody, Buansi, Butler, Cleveland, Dixon, Elmore, Fontenot, D. Hall, Harrison, Howard, Iler, N. Jackson, John, A. Jones, Kidwell, Loftis, Longest, Morey, Penny, Pierce, Potts, Prather, Quick, Riddell, Rudow, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Sossamon, Torbett, von Haefen, Ward, Wheatley, White, and Zenger - 45.

Excused absences: Representatives Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Clemmons, and Hastings - 5.

Representative D. Hall requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (69-44).

BILL PLACED ON CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **H.B. 149** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REMOTE CHARTER ACADEMIES, TO PROVIDE A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF

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THE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM, AND TO REQUIRE THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on today's Calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 587 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE GENETIC COUNSELORS LICENSURE BOARD AND TO REGULATE THE PRACTICE OF GENETIC COUNSELING, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (113-2), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

H.B. 834 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO EVALUATE WHETHER A JUVENILE HAS THE CAPACITY TO PROCEED, TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS, TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, AND TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES.

Representative Morey offers Amendment No. 1 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (49-66).

The bill passes its second reading, by electronic vote (108-7), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representatives Morey and Quick request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (106-9).

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

S.B. 329 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (93-22), and there being no objection is read a third time.

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The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 582 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE AGRICULTURAL AND WASTEWATER LAWS OF THIS STATE, passes its second reading by electronic vote (78-37).

Representative Lofton requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (77-38).

Representative Harrison objects to the third reading. The bill remains on the Calendar.

S.B. 729 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE ANTI-PENSION SPIKING CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LAW FOR SCHOOL SYSTEMS AS BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED BY S.L. 2021-72 AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS TO RESOLVE DISPUTED APPLICATIONS OF THE ANTI-PENSION SPIKING LAWS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (114-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

WITHDRAWAL OF OBJECTION TO THIRD READING

Representative Harrison withdraws her objection to the third reading of **S.B. 582** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE AGRICULTURAL AND WASTEWATER LAWS OF THIS STATE, and the bill is before the Body.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 by Special Message.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 66 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION,

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HICKORY CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, NEWTON-CONOVER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND POLK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO REQUIRE THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOR ELECTING MEMBERS BEGINNING IN 2024; AND TO PROVIDE THAT MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE BOARD OF EDUCATION ARE ELECTED IN A NONPARTISAN PRIMARY AND ELECTION BEGINNING IN 2026.

Representative Adams moves that the House do concur in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 24, and without objection, Representative Prather calls for the ayes and noes on the motion to concur.

Representative Setzer calls the previous question on the motion to concur and the call is sustained by electronic vote (69-46).

The House concurs in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, by the following roll call vote and is ordered enrolled.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Wheatley, White, Willis, Winslow, and Zenger - 68.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alexander, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, Watford, Willingham, and Wray - 47.

Excused absences: Representatives Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Clemmons, and Hastings - 5.

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H.B. 285 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE AND ADDING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO, passes its second reading, by the following vote, and remains on the Calendar of June 13.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alexander, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Dahle, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gill, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 115.

Voting in the negative: None.

Excused absences: Representatives Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Clemmons, and Hastings - 5.

H.B. 475 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT PARTY DESIGNATIONS ON OFFICIAL BALLOTS BE PRINTED IN ITALICS AND TEN-POINT FONT SIZE, TO RAISE THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT THAT TRIGGERS THE FORTY-EIGHT-HOUR REPORT, WITH AUTOMATIC ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATION, UNDER CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS, AND TO WAIVE THE FORTY-EIGHT-HOUR REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR CANDIDATES WHO ARE UNOPPOSED DURING A PRIMARY ELECTION, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (78-37), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representative A. Jones requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (77-38).

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The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

S.B. 195 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (112-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

S.B. 299, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (84-30), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 331 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (87-28), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 149 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REMOTE CHARTER ACADEMIES, TO PROVIDE A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM, AND TO REQUIRE THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

On motion of Representative Elmore, the House does not concur in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (114-0), and conferees are requested.

The Speaker appoints Representative Elmore, Chair; Representatives Cotham and Willis as conferees on the part of the House and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

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CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **S.B. 512** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: Representative D. Hall, Chair, and Speaker Moore.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 32, **H.B. 721**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY WHETHER TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA BULLION DEPOSITORY AND TO PROVIDE FOR BULLION INVESTMENT FOR THE STATE, is withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations and re-referred to the Committee on State Government.

The serial referral to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House remains.

QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

Representative Morey is recognized to speak to a question of privilege regarding the integrity of proceedings in the House.

The Speaker states that Questions of Privilege should only be used to address matters outside the scope of the adopted House Rules.

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Bell, that the House adjourn at 4:17 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, June 8 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Diamond Staton-Williams, RN, BSN, MHA:

**CONGRATULATING THE TOWN OF HARRISBURG
ON ITS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, the Town of Harrisburg was originally called Query's Quarter and settled as early as 1791, as recorded by the newly-elected

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President George Washington in his diary while passing through the southern states by stagecoach; and

WHEREAS, the Town's name change derived from the family of Robert Harris and his descendants, landowners from whom the right-of-way was purchased for the construction of the railroad in the 1850s; the Town was known as Harris Depot until 1874 and, after the first post office was constructed, the Town was officially renamed Harrisburg; and

WHEREAS, historically, the railroad played a significant role in the Town's development, with the first retail establishment opening before the Civil War and many more following along the rail line; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly ratified an act to incorporate the Town of Harrisburg on March 28, 1973; and

WHEREAS, the first meeting of the Harrisburg Town Council was held on June 7, 1973, with the following duly appointed Temporary Officers - Mayor Martha H. Marks, Joe L. Sims, Walter L. Hefner, Jr., Marshall R. Queen, O. C. Towell, Larry M. Lewis, Bobby J. Sides, and Boyce O. Jenkins; and

WHEREAS, the Town's close proximity to Concord and Charlotte has bolstered its economic viability and growing population; today, Harrisburg embraces smart growth while remaining committed to its small town values and providing amenities and a superior quality of life to its residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to congratulate the Town of Harrisburg on its 50th Anniversary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 7th day of June, 2023.

S/ Representative Diamond Staton-Williams, RN, BSN, MHA
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT
Submitted by Representative Kevin Crutchfield:

**HONORING THE CANNON FAMILY FOR
THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS**

WHEREAS, in 1921, Charles A. Cannon assumed the leadership of the Cannon Mills Company from his father, James W. Cannon, and continued his father's vision for Kannapolis by expanding the mills and beautifying the business district of the area; and

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WHEREAS, during the Great Depression, Charles A. Cannon managed to keep the Cannon plants open, providing work for the plants' employees even though only a few new orders were being received and helped persuade New York bankers to renew the short-term obligations of the State of North Carolina in the amount of \$2,502,371, thus preventing a disastrous default by the State; and

WHEREAS, Charles A. Cannon vigorously resisted legislation that adversely affected the textile industry and successfully led the fight against "two price" cotton, which favored foreign textile interests; and

WHEREAS, Charles A. Cannon and his mother, Mary Ella Bost Cannon, generously supported many charitable causes, including Cabarrus Memorial Hospital (now Atrium Health Cabarrus); and

WHEREAS, Charles A. Cannon's wife, Ruth Louise Coltrane Cannon, promoted musical education in the schools, contributed to the arts and cultural affairs, and supported historic preservation, which included the renovation of the buildings of downtown Kannapolis in the Colonial Williamsburg style; and

WHEREAS, the Cannon Family through the Cannon Foundation has continued the philanthropic legacy that was first begun by James W. Cannon by generously supporting health initiatives, education, arts and cultural pursuits, and numerous other worthy benevolent causes;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to express gratitude to Charles A. Cannon and his family for the service and contributions they made to the City of Kannapolis, Cabarrus County, and the State of North Carolina.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 7th day of June, 2023.

S/ Representative Kevin Crutchfield
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 327**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM THE GENERAL STATUTES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE BY UPDATING OBSOLETE REFERENCES TO "ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR" AND "EXCEPTIONS" AND TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL CHANGES,

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AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 1 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 382**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS OF DENTISTRY, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Health and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

SEVENTY-FIFTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, June 8, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Thank You, Father, for knowing us before we are born and for loving us through life and for preparing a place for those that believe in You. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Reeder reports the Journal of June 7 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

A leave of absence is granted to Representative Bradford for today.

The Speaker grants a leave of absence to the Principal Clerk.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

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S.B. 299, AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT.

S.B. 329, AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT.

S.B. 331, AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT.

S.B. 729, AN ACT TO AMEND THE ANTI-PENSION SPIKING CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LAW FOR SCHOOL SYSTEMS AS BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED BY S.L. 2021-72 AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS TO RESOLVE DISPUTED APPLICATIONS OF THE ANTI-PENSION SPIKING LAWS.

H.B. 347, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE WAGERING ON PROFESSIONAL, COLLEGE, AND AMATEUR SPORTS AND ON HORSE RACING IN NORTH CAROLINA, AND TO AUTHORIZE LIVE HORSE RACING IN NORTH CAROLINA.

The following bill is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 66, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, HICKORY CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, NEWTON-CONOVER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND POLK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO REQUIRE THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOR ELECTING MEMBERS BEGINNING IN 2024; AND TO PROVIDE THAT MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE BOARD OF EDUCATION ARE ELECTED IN A NONPARTISAN PRIMARY AND ELECTION BEGINNING IN 2026.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following is received from the Senate:

H.B. 31 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE ROWAN-SALISBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

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Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 13.

Representative Reeder moves, seconded by Representative Clampitt, that the House adjourn at 10:14 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, June 12, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bill is properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 66, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, HICKORY CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, NEWTON-CONOVER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND POLK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO REQUIRE THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOR ELECTING MEMBERS BEGINNING IN 2024; AND TO PROVIDE THAT MEMBERS OF THE BUNCOMBE BOARD OF EDUCATION ARE ELECTED IN A NONPARTISAN PRIMARY AND ELECTION BEGINNING IN 2026. (S.L. 2023-32)

The House stands adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

SEVENTY-SIXTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, June 12, 2023

The House meets at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Paré.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, You tell us to trust You with all our heart and, we can add, to trust You with our trials, our problems. Help us to remember we can be confident in You to give us strength and victory or consolation and humility. Help us to be confident to look up and know You are there. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen."

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The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of June 8 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 582, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE AGRICULTURAL AND WASTEWATER LAWS OF THIS STATE.

H.B. 166, AN ACT TO ALLOW AMERICAN INDIAN STUDENTS TO WEAR CULTURAL OBJECTS AT PUBLIC SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONIES.

The following bills are properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 248, AN ACT TO DECREASE THE SIZE OF THE NASH BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SEVEN MEMBERS; TO ALIGN THE DISTRICTS FOR THE NASH BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH THE DISTRICTS OF NASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE BOUNDARIES OF THE NASH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO BE IDENTICAL TO THE BOUNDARIES OF NASH COUNTY EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, HICKORY CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND NEWTON-CONOVER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

H.B. 135, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF TRINITY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

H.B. 227, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF VANCEBORO SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

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H.B. 346, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR A HOSPITAL SERVICE CORPORATION TO REORGANIZE BY CREATING A NONPROFIT HOLDING CORPORATION. (S.L. 2023-33)

H.B. 116, AN ACT TO MODIFY VARIOUS STATUTORY PROVISIONS AFFECTING DISTRICT ATTORNEYS AND DISTRICT ATTORNEYS' OFFICES. (S.L. 2023-34)

H.B. 412, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TERMS OF CONVEYANCE OF A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND TO PENDER COUNTY TO ENABLE CERTAIN FINANCING OPTIONS NEEDED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A JAIL FACILITY. (S.L. 2023-35)

S.B. 100, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE HAW RIVER STATE TRAIL AND TO PROVIDE FOR ITS ADDITION TO THE STATE PARKS SYSTEM. (S.L. 2023-36)

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative White, that the House adjourn at 11:05 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, June 13 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 58** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR PROPERTY CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST UTILITIES, INCLUDING FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE TRANSMISSION OF TELEPHONE, BROADBAND, OR CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE PRODUCTION, STORAGE, TRANSMISSION, OR DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY, FUEL, OR ANOTHER FORM OR SOURCE OF ENERGY, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 1 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

SEVENTY-SEVENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 13, 2023

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The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Clampitt.

Prayer is offered by Olwen Blessing, General Assembly Enrolling Clerk.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of June 12 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, Brisson, Gill, Howard, Lowery, Moss, Tyson, and Winslow for today. Representative Brockman is excused for a portion of the Session.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Liberty Kidwell and Jackson Willis.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 248, AN ACT TO DECREASE THE SIZE OF THE NASH BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SEVEN MEMBERS; TO ALIGN THE DISTRICTS FOR THE NASH BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH THE DISTRICTS OF NASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE BOUNDARIES OF THE NASH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT TO BE IDENTICAL TO THE BOUNDARIES OF NASH COUNTY EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE CATAWBA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, HICKORY CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND NEWTON-CONOVER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION. (S.L. 2023-37)

H.B. 135, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF TRINITY SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS. (S.L. 2023-38)

H.B. 227, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF VANCEBORO SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS. (S.L. 2023-39)

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S.B. 291, AN ACT TO EXTEND THE EXPIRATION DATE TO HOLD HARMLESS CERTAIN FACILITIES WHEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RESUMES ENVIRONMENTAL RATING SCALE (ERS) ASSESSMENTS FOR LICENSED CHILD CARE FACILITIES AND TO REQUIRE THE NORTH CAROLINA CHILD CARE COMMISSION TO COMPLETE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR STAR-RATING SYSTEM REFORM AND REPORT THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. (S.L. 2023-40)

On motion of the Chair, the House recesses at 10:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene at 2:00 p.m.

RECESS

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following are received from the Senate:

H.B. 130 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED AND (II) REQUIRE RESPONSIBLE DECOMMISSIONING OF NEWLY SITED UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR PROJECTS UPON CESSATION OF OPERATIONS, is returned for concurrence in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Calendar.

H.B. 140 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES TO EMPLOY AND ALLOW CIVILIAN PERSONNEL TO INVESTIGATE TRAFFIC CRASHES INVOLVING ONLY PROPERTY DAMAGE, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 14.

H.B. 308 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A REFERENDUM ON WHETHER TO CHANGE

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THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE ALEXANDER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 14.

S.B. 552 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NOTARY ACT, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 675 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE SITING OF SCHOOLS VIA SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR AREAS ZONED FOR COMMERCIAL USE; TO CLARIFY THAT USE RIGHTS ON PROPERTY ARE NOT EXTINGUISHED BY THE APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL USE RIGHTS; AND TO ELIMINATE MUNICIPAL EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

BILLS PLACED ON CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair and without objection, **H.B. 130** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED AND (II) REQUIRE RESPONSIBLE DECOMMISSIONING OF NEWLY SITED UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR PROJECTS UPON CESSATION OF OPERATIONS, is placed on today's Calendar.

On motion of the Chair and without objection, **H.B. 308** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A REFERENDUM ON WHETHER TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE ALEXANDER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN, is withdrawn from the Calendar of June 14 and placed on today's Calendar.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 22, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAMES OF THE OUTDOOR HERITAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE NORTH CAROLINA OUTDOOR HERITAGE TRUST FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF GRANTS AND PROGRAMMING TO PROMOTE YOUTH OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, with a favorable report.

Without objection, the bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 265 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN HENDERSON, POLK, AND RUTHERFORD COUNTIES ARE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE MAYOR IN THE TOWN OF TRYON AND ALL ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE TOWN OF RUTH FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR FOUR-YEAR TERMS OF OFFICE FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, with a favorable report.

Without objection, the bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 179, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE AUTHORIZATION FOR BUNCOMBE COUNTY TO CONSTRUCT COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUILDINGS ON THE CAMPUSES OF ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE WITHIN THE COUNTY, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill.

Without objection, the House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 126 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill.

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Without objection, the House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

H.B. 31 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE ROWAN-SALISBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

On motion of Representative Warren, the House does not concur in the Senate committee substitute bill and conferees are requested. The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

H.B. 285 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REMOVING THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE AND ADDING CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO, passes its third reading, by the following vote, and is ordered sent to the Senate.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Dahle, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Hastings, Hawkins, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Shepard, Carson Smith, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Wray, and Zenger - 109.

Voting in the negative: None.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Brisson, Brockman, Gill, Howard, Lowery, Moss, Tyson, and Winslow - 9.

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H.B. 130 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED AND (II) REQUIRE RESPONSIBLE DECOMMISSIONING OF NEWLY SITED UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR PROJECTS UPON CESSATION OF OPERATIONS.

On motion of Representative Arp, the House concurs in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, by electronic vote (73-36), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

Representative Brockman requests and is granted leave of the House to be recorded as voting "aye." The adjusted vote total is (74-36).

H.B. 308 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE A REFERENDUM ON WHETHER TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE ALEXANDER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN.

On motion of Representative Elmore, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, and the bill is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 22, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAMES OF THE OUTDOOR HERITAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE NORTH CAROLINA OUTDOOR HERITAGE TRUST FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF GRANTS AND PROGRAMMING TO PROMOTE YOUTH OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (110-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 265 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN HENDERSON, POLK, AND RUTHERFORD COUNTIES ARE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE MAYOR IN THE TOWN OF TRYON AND ALL ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE TOWN OF RUTH FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR FOUR-YEAR TERMS OF OFFICE FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, passes its second reading and there being no objection is read a third time.

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The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

S.B. 179 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXTEND THE AUTHORIZATION FOR BUNCOMBE COUNTY TO CONSTRUCT COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUILDINGS ON THE CAMPUSES OF ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE WITHIN THE COUNTY AND TO EXTEND THE SUNSET ON THE SUSPENSION OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPENCER MOUNTAIN, passes its second reading and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

S.B. 126 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS, passes its second reading, by the following vote, and remains on the Calendar.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Dahle, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Hastings, Hawkins, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Shepard, Carson Smith, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, von Haefen, Ward, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Wray, and Zenger - 105.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Cleveland, Faircloth, B. Jones, and Warren - 4.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Brisson, Gill, Howard, Lowery, Moss, Tyson, and Winslow - 8.

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INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

Pages for the week of June 12 are introduced to the membership. They are: Salim Alvi of Wake; Sophie Ayuk-Takem of Wake; Sahasra Bangaru of Mecklenburg; Sophie Bradford of Mecklenburg; Macy Bradford of Mecklenburg; Reilly Crosby of Wake; Andrey Daugherty of Wilson; Sophia David of New Hanover; Alexander Douglas of Wake; Emma Fortenberry of Cleveland; Hampton Jones of Pitt; William King of New Hanover; Connor Lang of Wake; Jakayla Lea of Alamance; Kaylee Lewis of Davie; Hadi Rahim of Wake; and Melinda Womble of Johnston.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 32, **S.B. 631** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Health and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Dixon, that the House adjourn at 2:37 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, June 14 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **H.B. 31** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE ROWAN-SALISBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION: Representative Warren, Chair; Representatives Howard and Crutchfield.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 49**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Education - K-12 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committees are presented:

By Representative Davis, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary 1:

S.B. 58 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR PROPERTY CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST UTILITIES, INCLUDING FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE TRANSMISSION OF TELEPHONE, BROADBAND, OR CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE PRODUCTION, STORAGE, TRANSMISSION, OR DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY, FUEL, OR ANOTHER FORM OR SOURCE OF ENERGY, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 327, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM THE GENERAL STATUTES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE BY UPDATING OBSOLETE REFERENCES TO "ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR" AND "EXCEPTIONS" AND TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

By Representatives Gillespie and Iler, Chairs, for the Committee on Environment:

S.B. 240, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE CHOICE OF EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PERMITTING AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN AIRPORT AUTHORITIES, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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By Representatives Arp and K. Hall, Chairs, for the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities:

S.B. 673 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ALTERNATIVE PEAK DAILY SEWAGE FLOW RATES FOR DESIGN RATE MODELING, TO PERMIT WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM EXPANSIONS BEYOND EXISTING ALLOCATION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS TO THE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEE STATUTES, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 44** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE LICENSURE OF MOBILE BEAUTY SALONS AND ENSURE THEIR SAFE AND HYGIENIC OPERATION AND TO AUTHORIZE COSMETIC ART SERVICES AT WEDDING VENUES, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Commerce and, if favorable, to the Committee on Finance and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 90** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STANDARDIZE THE PROCEDURES FOR SEARCHING STUDENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Education - K-12 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 389**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PERSONS 16 AND 17 YEARS OF AGE TO GIVE OR DONATE BLOOD WITH WRITTEN PARENTAL CONSENT, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Health and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 411** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW STUDENTS IN HOME SCHOOL TO PARTICIPATE IN ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAMS AND THE PRELIMINARY SCHOLASTIC ASSESSMENT TEST (PSAT), is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Education - K-12 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 626** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMISSION, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 1 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 135** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT PERSONS FROM USING A TITLE OR ABBREVIATION INDICATING THE QUALIFICATION AS A REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN REGISTERED WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Agriculture and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

SEVENTY-EIGHTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 14, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Jeffrey C. McNeely:

"Heavenly Father, in this sacred moment, we humbly come before You, seeking Your grace and guidance. We recognize the profound importance of compassion and forgiveness in our lives as followers of Christ. Today, we lift our hearts in prayer, asking for Your help in cultivating these virtues within us.

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"Lord, You are the embodiment of perfect compassion. Your love knows no bounds, reaching out to the broken, the marginalized, and the lost. Teach us to see others through Your compassionate eyes, to extend a hand of kindness to those in need, and to be a source of comfort and healing in a hurting world.

"I pray for all of those who protect us, both foreign and domestic, and their families. I pray in Jesus' Name. And all God's children said, 'Amen!'"

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Clampitt reports the Journal of June 13 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, Brisson, Brockman, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cunningham, Everitt, Gill, Hawkins, Howard, Reives, Saine, Setzer, and von Haefen for today.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Isaiah Brown, Judah Brown, JW Brown, Kahlan Brown, Lunsford Brown, Naomi Brown, Noah Brown, and Olivia Brown.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 22, AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAMES OF THE OUTDOOR HERITAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE NORTH CAROLINA OUTDOOR HERITAGE TRUST FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF GRANTS AND PROGRAMMING TO PROMOTE YOUTH OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

H.B. 130, AN ACT TO (I) LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED AND (II) REQUIRE RESPONSIBLE DECOMMISSIONING OF NEWLY SITED UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR PROJECTS UPON CESSATION OF OPERATIONS.

H.B. 750, AN ACT TO ADDRESS THE USE OF ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE CRITERIA BY STATE AGENCIES AND STATE PENSION PLAN FIDUCIARIES.

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The following bill is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 308, AN ACT TO REQUIRE A REFERENDUM ON WHETHER TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE ALEXANDER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bill is properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 308, AN ACT TO REQUIRE A REFERENDUM ON WHETHER TO CHANGE THE ELECTION METHOD FOR THE ALEXANDER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM NONPARTISAN TO PARTISAN. (S.L. 2023-41)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representatives Bradford, Kidwell, Wray, Ross, and Tyson, Chairs, for the Committee on Finance:

H.B. 681, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE LICENSURE OF THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE AND A MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSURE PROCESS, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

H.B. 850, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO LICENSING BOARDS RELATED TO COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 10:33 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 2:30 p.m.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committees are presented:

By Representatives Potts, K. Baker, Lambeth, Paré, Sasser, and White, Chairs, for the Committee on Health:

S.B. 382, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS OF DENTISTRY, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

By Representatives Bradford, Kidwell, Wray, Ross, and Tyson, Chairs, for the Committee on Finance:

H.B. 741 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS ACT AND TO MODIFY CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING CHARITABLE SOLICITATION, with a favorable report as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, unfavorable as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 1, and recommendation that Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

H.B. 893, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INSPECTIONS BY PRIVATE INSPECTORS OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE

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NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

By Representative Warren, Chair, for the Committee on State Government:

H.B. 721, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY WHETHER TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA BULLION DEPOSITORY AND TO PROVIDE FOR BULLION INVESTMENT FOR THE STATE, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill and recommendation that the committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of the Chair, the serial referral to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House is stricken.

On motion of the Chair, the committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

H.B. 603 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES TO PERMIT TEMPORARY EVENT VENUES, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 240, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE CHOICE OF EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PERMITTING AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN AIRPORT AUTHORITIES, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

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S.B. 327, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM THE GENERAL STATUTES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE BY UPDATING OBSOLETE REFERENCES TO "ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR" AND "EXCEPTIONS" AND TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 382 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS OF DENTISTRY, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 673 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ALTERNATIVE PEAK DAILY SEWAGE FLOW RATES FOR DESIGN RATE MODELING, TO PERMIT WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM EXPANSIONS BEYOND EXISTING ALLOCATION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS TO THE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEE STATUTES, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 6, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT NO VOTER MAY BE DENIED THE OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE DUE TO THE VOTER APPEARING IN THE VOTING PLACE IN UNIFORM, SUCH AS LAW ENFORCEMENT OR THE MILITARY, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill.

The committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 58 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR PROPERTY CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST UTILITIES, INCLUDING FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE TRANSMISSION OF TELEPHONE, BROADBAND, OR CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE PRODUCTION, STORAGE, TRANSMISSION, OR DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY, FUEL, OR ANOTHER FORM OR SOURCE OF ENERGY, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

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The House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 195 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

GUESTS

The Speaker extends the courtesies of the floor to Jason Brown and Tay Brown.

The Speaker extends the courtesies of the floor to Robert Riddell, brother of Representative Riddell.

BILL PLACED ON CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair and without objection, **H.B. 681**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE LICENSURE OF THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE AND A MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSURE PROCESS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on today's Calendar.

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CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

H.B. 140 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES TO EMPLOY AND ALLOW CIVILIAN PERSONNEL TO INVESTIGATE TRAFFIC CRASHES INVOLVING ONLY PROPERTY DAMAGE.

On motion of Representative Hardister, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (100-6), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 126 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS, passes its third reading, by the following vote, and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Hastings, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Sasser, Sauls, Shepard, Carson Smith, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 104.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Dahle and Warren - 2.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Brisson, Brockman, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cunningham, Everitt, Gill, Hawkins, Howard, Reives, Saine, Setzer, and von Haefen - 14.

H.B. 603 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES TO PERMIT

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TEMPORARY EVENT VENUES, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (105-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

S.B. 240, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE CHOICE OF EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PERMITTING AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN AIRPORT AUTHORITIES, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (101-5), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representatives Butler and Morey request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (99-7).

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 327, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM THE GENERAL STATUTES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE BY UPDATING OBSOLETE REFERENCES TO "ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR" AND "EXCEPTIONS" AND TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (106-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 382 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS OF DENTISTRY, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (106-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

S.B. 673 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ALTERNATIVE PEAK DAILY SEWAGE FLOW RATES FOR DESIGN RATE MODELING, TO PERMIT WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM EXPANSIONS BEYOND EXISTING ALLOCATION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO MAKE

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CLARIFICATIONS TO THE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEE STATUTES, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (97-9), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 6 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY THAT FIRST RESPONDERS MAY NOT BE DENIED THE OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE DUE TO APPEARING IN THE VOTING PLACE IN UNIFORM, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (105-1), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

S.B. 58 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR PROPERTY CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST UTILITIES, INCLUDING FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE TRANSMISSION OF TELEPHONE, BROADBAND, BROADCAST, OR CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE PRODUCTION, STORAGE, TRANSMISSION, OR DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY, FUEL, OR ANOTHER FORM OR SOURCE OF ENERGY, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (106-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

H.B. 681, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR THE LICENSURE OF THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE AND A MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSURE PROCESS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (106-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

APPOINTMENT OF READING CLERK

Pursuant to Rule 45(c), the Speaker appoints Sue Frederick as Reading Clerk for the 2023 House of Representatives.

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Iler, that the House adjourn at 3:21 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, June 15 at 1:00 p.m.

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The motion carries.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Dennis Riddell:

COMMENDING TAIWAN FOR ITS RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, Taiwan is the United States' eighth-largest trading partner, and the United States is Taiwan's second-largest trading partner, with a bilateral trade amount of \$105 billion in 2021; North Carolina's exports to Taiwan in 2021 increased 15.3% over that of 2020 and imports from Taiwan in 2021 increased 44.4% over that of 2020, making Taiwan the 23rd largest export market and the 14th largest importing country of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, TSMC, Taiwan's world-leading advanced chip manufacturer visited Duke University to recruit associates/developers in October 2022 which showcases the economic opportunity between North Carolina and Taiwan as North Carolina continues to strengthen its high-tech and electric vehicle sector; and

WHEREAS, the first Taiwan Center for Mandarin Learning in North Carolina (TCML-RAL) was established in Raleigh in April 2022, providing authentic and systematic Mandarin courses and cultural activities; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina welcomes all opportunities for an even closer partnership on business, educational, cultural, and people-to-people exchanges between citizens of the U.S. and Taiwan, and for better collaboration in the worldwide post-pandemic economic recovery efforts; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan has been experiencing continuous threats from the authoritarian neighbor of China, which has encroached on Taiwan's security by launching multiple missiles over and dispatching numerous aircraft and vessels to enter Taiwan's Air Defense Identification Zone and cross the Taiwan Strait median line, disseminating disinformation and launching cyber-attacks, and repeatedly excluding Taiwan from the international system, as demonstrated through its denial of Taiwan's participation in the United Nations system meetings, mechanisms, conventions, and activities; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the U.S. and Taiwan have experienced strengthening in bilateral relations; the launch of the "US-Taiwan Initiative on 21st - Century Trade" facilitates a roadmap for negotiations on an economic

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and trade agreement with high-standard commitments; numerous elected high-ranking officials visited amid China's provocation; the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023" facilitates a defense modernization program for Taiwan to deter China's aggression; and the signing of the "Taiwan-US Memorandum Of Understanding on Development and Humanitarian Assistance Cooperation" highlights that Taiwan is a significant stakeholder globally; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. will host the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) in 2023. Being a formal member of the APEC since 1991, Taiwan keeps making great contributions and is an indispensable key partner to the welfare of the people in the Asia-Pacific region; and

WHEREAS, members of the House of Representatives should join the Taiwan Caucus; North Carolina should establish a trade office in Taiwan, as South Carolina, New Mexico, Montana, and Pennsylvania have recently done, to attract more investments; State officials and members of the House of Representatives ought to conduct more frequent exchanges with their Taiwanese counterparts and urge signing an education cooperation Memorandum Of Understanding with Taiwan aimed at promoting Mandarin-English language, teachers and students exchange;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is important to support the "US-Taiwan Initiative on 21st - Century Trade" and the negotiations on a Bilateral Trade Agreement as Taiwanese companies are looking for diverse and free markets in the U.S. instead of China and to support Taiwan's meaningful participation in international organizations and mechanisms such as ICAO, INTERPOL, and IPEF. It is also imperative to continue supporting the relationship between Taiwan and the United States as both countries deeply cherish the common values of freedom, democracy, human rights, and the rule of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 14th day of June, 2023.

S/ Representative Dennis Riddell
S/ Representative Pricey Harrison
S/ Representative Jon Hardister
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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SEVENTY-NINTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, June 15, 2023

The House meets at 1:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Zenger.

Prayer is offered by Representative Abe Jones.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Paré, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of June 14 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 240, AN ACT TO PROVIDE CHOICE OF EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PERMITTING AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN AIRPORT AUTHORITIES.

S.B. 327, AN ACT TO CONFORM THE GENERAL STATUTES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE BY UPDATING OBSOLETE REFERENCES TO "ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR" AND "EXCEPTIONS" AND TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION.

S.B. 673, AN ACT TO ALLOW ALTERNATIVE PEAK DAILY SEWAGE FLOW RATES FOR DESIGN RATE MODELING, TO PERMIT WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM EXPANSIONS BEYOND EXISTING ALLOCATION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS TO THE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEE STATUTES.

H.B. 140, AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES TO EMPLOY AND ALLOW CIVILIAN PERSONNEL TO INVESTIGATE TRAFFIC CRASHES INVOLVING ONLY PROPERTY DAMAGE.

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S.B. 58, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR PROPERTY CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST UTILITIES, INCLUDING FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE TRANSMISSION OF TELEPHONE, BROADBAND, BROADCAST, OR CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE PRODUCTION, STORAGE, TRANSMISSION, OR DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY, FUEL, OR ANOTHER FORM OR SOURCE OF ENERGY.

The following bill is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 265, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN HENDERSON, POLK, AND RUTHERFORD COUNTIES ARE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE MAYOR IN THE TOWN OF TRYON AND ALL ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE TOWN OF RUTH FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR FOUR-YEAR TERMS OF OFFICE FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 347, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND REGULATE WAGERING ON PROFESSIONAL, COLLEGE, AND AMATEUR SPORTS AND ON HORSE RACING IN NORTH CAROLINA, AND TO AUTHORIZE LIVE HORSE RACING IN NORTH CAROLINA. (S.L. 2023-42)

H.B. 166, AN ACT TO ALLOW AMERICAN INDIAN STUDENTS TO WEAR CULTURAL OBJECTS AT PUBLIC SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONIES. (S.L. 2023-43)

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following are received from the Senate:

H.B. 192 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE WILDLIFE LAWS, AS REQUESTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

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Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 21.

H.B. 344 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE REGULATORY CHANGES AND CREATE OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENTS TO THE DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION'S MENTAL HEALTH LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION SECTION, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

On motion of the Chair, the Senate committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

H.B. 608 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE ELEVATOR SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE ACCORDINGLY, is returned for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the committee substitute bill with unengrossed Senate Amendment No. 1 is placed on the Calendar of June 21.

Representative Paré moves, seconded by Representative A. Jones, that the House adjourn at 1:06 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, June 19, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

EIGHTIETH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, June 19, 2023

The House meets at 4:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Penny.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

June 19, 2023

"Father, at this time of many decisions made by the North Carolina General Assembly that will affect 10.7 million people in North Carolina, help us to look to You for guidance knowing that we can trust Your direction. Help us to not lean into our own understanding. Help us to seek Your wisdom and not our own. Help us to prayerfully seek decisions that You direct us to make. Thank You for always being a prayer away. In Jesus' Name I pray."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of June 15 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bill is duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

H.B. 364, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND OR THE STATE CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF PERSONAL PROPERTY BETWEEN CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The following bill is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 179, AN ACT TO EXTEND THE AUTHORIZATION FOR BUNCOMBE COUNTY TO CONSTRUCT COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUILDINGS ON THE CAMPUSES OF ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE WITHIN THE COUNTY AND TO EXTEND THE SUNSET ON THE SUSPENSION OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPENCER MOUNTAIN.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

June 19, 2023

S.B. 265, AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN HENDERSON, POLK, AND RUTHERFORD COUNTIES ARE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE MAYOR IN THE TOWN OF TRYON AND ALL ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE TOWN OF RUTH FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR FOUR-YEAR TERMS OF OFFICE FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. (S.L. 2023-44)

H.B. 87, AN ACT TO ALLOW DISTRICT ATTORNEYS TO FILE PROBATION MODIFICATION PETITIONS, TO ALLOW PROBATION OFFICERS TO REDUCE A TERM OF SUPERVISED PROBATION IN CERTAIN INSTANCES, AND TO EXEMPT SHERIFF'S OFFICES FROM CERTAIN STATE CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS WHEN CONTRACTING FOR FOOD AND FOOD SERVICES AT DETENTION FACILITIES. (S.L. 2023-45)

H.B. 103, AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES AND SESSION LAWS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION. (S.L. 2023-46)

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative White, that the House adjourn at 4:03 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, June 20 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
June 19, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 364 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT TO PROHIBIT COMPELLED SPEECH WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL SEEKS STATE GOVERNMENT OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYMENT, TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STATE AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYEES

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RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS, AND TO PROHIBIT STATE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE WORKPLACES FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on June 16, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 364, "AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT TO PROHIBIT COMPELLED SPEECH WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL SEEKS STATE GOVERNMENT OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYMENT, TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STATE AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS, AND TO PROHIBIT STATE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE WORKPLACES FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT."

"In North Carolina, the diversity of our people is a strength. This legislation attempts to eliminate training that can help us understand the unconscious bias we all bring to our work and our communities. It is troubling that a legislature that witnessed open racism on the floor of the House of Representatives wants to stop training aimed at creating a more effective and understanding workforce. Instead of pretending that bias and racism don't exist, the legislature should instead encourage training that can help eliminate discrimination so we can work toward common goals.

"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 16 day of June 2023, at 4:13 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

June 19, 2023

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 246** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND WHAT CONSTITUTES THE CRIME OF SECOND DEGREE TRESPASS TO INCLUDE ENTERING OR REMAINING ON THE CURTILAGE OF A DWELLING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF MIDNIGHT AND 6:00 A.M., is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 1 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 171** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 1 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 9** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF APEX TO ALLOW THE TOWN COUNCIL TO APPOINT THE TOWN CLERK, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Local Government and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 58, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR PROPERTY CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST UTILITIES, INCLUDING FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE TRANSMISSION OF TELEPHONE, BROADBAND, BROADCAST, OR CABLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THE PRODUCTION, STORAGE, TRANSMISSION, OR DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY, FUEL, OR ANOTHER FORM OR SOURCE OF ENERGY. (S.L. 2023-47)

S.B. 729, AN ACT TO AMEND THE ANTI-PENSION SPIKING CONTRIBUTION-BASED BENEFIT CAP LAW FOR SCHOOL SYSTEMS AS BROUGHT FORWARD BY THE WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED

June 19, 2023

BY S.L. 2021-72 AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TOOLS TO RESOLVE DISPUTED APPLICATIONS OF THE ANTI-PENSION SPIKING LAWS. (S.L. 2023-48)

S.B. 179, AN ACT TO EXTEND THE AUTHORIZATION FOR BUNCOMBE COUNTY TO CONSTRUCT COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUILDINGS ON THE CAMPUSES OF ASHEVILLE-BUNCOMBE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE WITHIN THE COUNTY AND TO EXTEND THE SUNSET ON THE SUSPENSION OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SPENCER MOUNTAIN. (S.L. 2023-49)

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the serial referral for **H.B. 852**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PLACEMENT OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDS) IN ALL SCHOOLS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS AND TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL ON THE USE OF AEDS, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House is stricken.

The bill is withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations and re-referred to the Committee on Health and, if favorable, to the Committee on Appropriations and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

EIGHTY-FIRST DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 20, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative John.

Prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Warren reports the Journal of June 19 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

June 20, 2023

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following are received from the Senate:

H.B. 186 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES, TO MODIFY THE SERVICE OF SUMMONS FOR JUVENILE PETITIONS, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR COURT-ORDERED EVALUATIONS FOR JUVENILES, TO CLARIFY MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, TO CLARIFY JUVENILE DETENTION TRANSFER, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 21.

H.B. 611 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY VARIOUS POWERS OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSIONS AND TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN EXPUNGED CRIMES COMMITTED BY MINORS CANNOT PREVENT LAW ENFORCEMENT CERTIFICATION, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 21.

Representative Warren moves, seconded by Representative Penny, that the House adjourn at 10:06 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, June 21 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

June 20, 2023

Senate Chamber
June 20, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 299 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on June 19, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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Roy Cooper
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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 299, "AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT."

"It is important that local governments follow the law on auditing their finances in order to foster accountability and fiscal responsibility. While well intentioned, this legislation as written is likely to punish residents of some of our state's smallest communities. Rather than having state government seize sales taxes that are needed for local government, the North Carolina General Assembly should reconsider this legislation and provide more help for these communities to make sure they do it right rather than impose financial punishment that could make matters worse.

"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 19 day of June 2023, at 2:39 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

June 20, 2023

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
June 20, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 329 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on June 19, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 329, "AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT."

"At a time when the cost of living is rising, North Carolina consumers cannot afford to be hit with higher fees and interest rates on loans and purchases.

"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 19 day of June 2023, at 2:40 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
June 20, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 331 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on June 19, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 331, "AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT."

"At a time when the cost of living is rising, North Carolina consumers cannot afford to be hit with higher fees and interest rates on loans.

"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 19 day of June 2023, at 2:40 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

June 20, 2023

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 772**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY POLL OBSERVER APPOINTMENTS, ACCESS, AND PERMITTED ACTIVITY, is withdrawn from the Committee on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 1.

The serial referral to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House remains.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 552** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NOTARY ACT, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 2 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committees are presented:

By Representative Davis, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary 1:

S.B. 626 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMISSION, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

By Representatives Ross and Sauls, Chairs, for the Committee on Commerce:

S.B. 44 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE LICENSURE OF MOBILE BEAUTY SALONS AND ENSURE THEIR SAFE AND HYGIENIC OPERATION AND TO

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AUTHORIZE COSMETIC ART SERVICES AT WEDDING VENUES, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Representatives Potts, K. Baker, Lambeth, Paré, Sasser, and White, Chairs, for the Committee on Health:

H.B. 852, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PLACEMENT OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDS) IN ALL SCHOOLS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS AND TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL ON THE USE OF AEDS, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

S.B. 389, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PERSONS 16 AND 17 YEARS OF AGE TO GIVE OR DONATE BLOOD WITH WRITTEN PARENTAL CONSENT, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 631 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House stands adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

June 20, 2023

EIGHTY-SECOND DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 21, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative D. Hall.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Mike Clampitt:

"I am humbled and grateful to God for my creation. You are the reason for my being, and I am thankful for all things in my life - those that are good, and those that are not so good. Thank You for the breath of life in this world, to have the opportunities to be a witness for You and an influence in some small way to others. I am blessed beyond measure, and it is because You, God-that cherished my life, to give me life and the promise of eternal life by Your Son. I wish a heavenly happy birthday to my mom that is sharing in the glory in Heaven with You. In the Name of Your Son Jesus Christ I pray. Amen."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Warren reports the Journal of June 20 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Arp, Cleveland, Lowery, Mills, Ross, and Sauls for today.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Bill Chen and Jalin Zheng.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bill is duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

H.B. 455, AN ACT TO EXPEDITE TRANSFER OF WATER OR WASTEWATER PUBLIC UTILITIES.

The following bill is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 126, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS.

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BILL PLACED ON CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair and without objection, **H.J.R. 652**, A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF ANNIE BROWN KENNEDY, FORMER MEMBER OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on today's Calendar.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 32, **H.B. 721** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY WHETHER TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA BULLION DEPOSITORY, is withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, the House recesses at 10:31 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 3:00 p.m.

RECESS**SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE****2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
June 20, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **S.B. 299 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

Pursuant to Article II, Section 22, of the North Carolina Constitution, the bill together with the objections and veto message are hereby delivered to your Honorable Body for reconsideration.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

June 21, 2023

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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 299, "AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT."

"It is important that local governments follow the law on auditing their finances in order to foster accountability and fiscal responsibility. While well intentioned, this legislation as written is likely to punish residents of some of our state's smallest communities. Rather than having state government seize sales taxes that are needed for local government, the North Carolina General Assembly should reconsider this legislation and provide more help for these communities to make sure they do it right rather than impose financial punishment that could make matters worse.

"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 19 day of June 2023, at 2:39 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
June 20, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **S.B. 329 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO

June 21, 2023

AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

Pursuant to Article II, Section 22, of the North Carolina Constitution, the bill together with the objections and veto message are hereby delivered to your Honorable Body for reconsideration.

Respectfully,
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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 329, "AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT."

"At a time when the cost of living is rising, North Carolina consumers cannot afford to be hit with higher fees and interest rates on loans and purchases.

"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 19 day of June 2023, at 2:40 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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June 21, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **S.B. 331 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

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S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 19 day of June 2023, at 2:40 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
June 20, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

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Pursuant to Article II, Section 22, of the North Carolina Constitution, the bill together with the objections and veto message are hereby delivered to your Honorable Body for reconsideration.

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RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS, AND TO PROHIBIT STATE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE WORKPLACES FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT."

"In North Carolina, the diversity of our people is a strength. This legislation attempts to eliminate training that can help us understand the unconscious bias we all bring to our work and our communities. It is troubling that a legislature that witnessed open racism on the floor of the House of Representatives wants to stop training aimed at creating a more effective and understanding workforce. Instead of pretending that bias and racism don't exist, the legislature should instead encourage training that can help eliminate discrimination so we can work toward common goals.

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S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 16 day of June 2023, at 4:13 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 382 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS OF DENTISTRY.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative Stevens, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary 2:

S.B. 552 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NOTARY ACT, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 527** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE ELEVATOR SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE ACCORDINGLY, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Alcoholic Beverage Control and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committees are presented:

By Representative Davis, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary 1:

S.B. 171 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 246 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND WHAT CONSTITUTES THE CRIME OF SECOND DEGREE TRESPASS TO INCLUDE ENTERING OR REMAINING ON THE CURTILAGE OF A DWELLING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF

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MIDNIGHT AND 6:00 A.M., with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

By Representatives Penny and Watford, Chairs, for the Committee on Local Government:

S.B. 9 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF APEX TO ALLOW THE TOWN COUNCIL TO APPOINT THE TOWN CLERK, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

By Representatives Dixon and McNeely, Chairs, for the Committee on Agriculture:

S.B. 135 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT PERSONS FROM USING A TITLE OR ABBREVIATION INDICATING THE QUALIFICATION AS A REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN REGISTERED WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

By Representatives Blackwell, Cotham, and Torbett, Chairs, for the Committee on Education - K-12:

S.B. 411 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW STUDENTS IN HOME SCHOOL TO PARTICIPATE IN ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAMS AND THE PRELIMINARY SCHOLASTIC ASSESSMENT TEST (PSAT), with a favorable report as to

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the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

By Representative Davis, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary 1:

H.B. 772, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY POLL OBSERVER APPOINTMENTS, ACCESS, AND PERMITTED ACTIVITY, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

By Representatives Blackwell, Cotham, and Torbett, Chairs, for the Committee on Education - K-12:

H.B. 686, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE CIVIL RIGHTS EDUCATION TO EVERY STUDENT IN THE STATE, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 49, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

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By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 171 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 22.

S.B. 246 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND WHAT CONSTITUTES THE CRIME OF SECOND DEGREE TRESPASS TO INCLUDE ENTERING OR REMAINING ON THE CURTILAGE OF A DWELLING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF MIDNIGHT AND 6:00 A.M., with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 22.

S.B. 389 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PERSONS SIXTEEN AND SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO GIVE OR DONATE BLOOD WITH WRITTEN PARENTAL CONSENT AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE MIDWIFERY STATUTES, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 411 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO EDUCATION LAWS, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 552 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NOTARY ACT, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 626 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMISSION, AND TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO RIOTING, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

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S.B. 631 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC HEALTHCARE FACILITIES AND STATE FUNDS FOR GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES ON MINORS, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 438, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STAY THE CONCLUSIVENESS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA GEODETIC SURVEY MAP OF THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY AND GRANVILLE COUNTY AND TO ALLOW FRANKLIN COUNTY AND GRANVILLE COUNTY TO SURVEY THE CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED COMMON BOUNDARY, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill.

The Speaker rules the committee substitute bill to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the material committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 22. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

By Representative Stevens, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary 2:

H.B. 563, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF PRODUCTS CONTAINING A HEMP-DERIVED CANNABINOID AND TO ESTABLISH A REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE COMMERCIALIZATION OF KRATOM, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 452 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

H.J.R. 652, A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF ANNIE BROWN KENNEDY, FORMER MEMBER OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (112-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The resolution passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

On motion of Representative Lucas, the following remarks are spread upon the Journal.

REMARKS BY REPRESENTATIVE A. BAKER

"Thank you, sir. You know the word 'trailblazer' is not a word that is often used in our modern-day era, for the work that we do. Trailblazer means that you have gone into waters that have not previously been chartered and you're willing to pay the price to pave the way for others to come behind you. When you are a woman of color, sometimes that pathway to the ultimate goal is just a little bit harder, but I will say this: that once the ceiling has been broken, those of us who get to walk along that path that was created, is a little bit easier. I'm honored to be able to sit here in this Legislature this year, in my second term, in the seat that once belonged to Representative Kennedy. And I'm honored that we have taken the time to celebrate her life and accomplishments. I don't hold it lightly that we continue to serve with the utmost integrity that she served. I'm also honored that this woman, who gave her life to service, lived a long life and leaves her mark on society. So I thank you for this Resolution and that the work that she does, in this Legislature that she loved, will continue to be enshrined from henceforth and forevermore. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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REMARKS BY REPRESENTATIVE A. JONES

"Thank you. I just want to add ditto to what my seatmate has said. I had the privilege of knowing Mrs. Kennedy. A wonderful lady, a trailblazer. I also went to law school with one of her sons, one of the two twins, and I knew Mr. Kennedy also. A great family and a great lady and I'm honored to speak on her behalf today."

REMARKS BY REPRESENTATIVE REIVES

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I would just say, to echo what's been said, I was truly honored this weekend. I had the chance - the North Carolina Advocates for Justice created an award in Representative Kennedy's name back in 2020, and I was a recipient of that award this weekend. I was there, Chair Hall was also recipient of a different award, and it's just - you can't quantify what a person like her meant. I know that I, just as Representative Baker and a lot of us here, we're here because she was here. She was the first female African American Legislator. She was the second African American woman in the history of this State to be granted a license to practice law. And her legacy is pretty amazing when you go through the cases that she handled; I mean she handled groundbreaking cases, not for notoriety, not for money, but because they were important cases to be done. She handled cases that a lot of people truly of her stature wouldn't have handled because of the potential blowback. But she was willing to be there and be that person, and I think that she's somebody for all of us to admire. Man, woman, black, white, whatever your background, because that is what we should be about when it comes down to public service. I was really honored to be able to meet her sons this weekend; I knew of them by reputation, but only that and I got a chance to see them personally. And I know that she was tremendously proud of those sons who will be arguing, we hope soon, in front of the United States Supreme Court. But, just the breadth of what she did, and how she did, and her selfless sacrifice because sometimes we don't tend to give kudos to people during their time for how much they sacrifice of their own personal lives to give to public service. And I'm honored to be able to get something in her name and very glad we're honoring her today."

INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

Pages for the week of June 19 are introduced to the membership. They are: Blane Autry of Wake; Harleigh Cox of Columbus; Jenna Ellen of Wake; Hannah Engel of Orange; Isabella Hocker of New Hanover; Charles Jeter of Mecklenburg; Olivia Jones of Chatham; Ella Jones of Columbus; Caroline

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Joshi of Wake; William Joshi of Wake; Ashton Layh of Wake; Emma Monroe of Mecklenburg; Isabel Mosqueda of Wake; Jack Murphy of Hoke; Emory Radford of New Hanover; Audrey Seiler of Rockingham; Maddox Soles of Columbus; Samuel Teague of Wake; and Tanisha Thulasidas of Wake.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 186 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES, TO MODIFY THE SERVICE OF SUMMONS FOR JUVENILE PETITIONS, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR COURT-ORDERED EVALUATIONS FOR JUVENILES, TO CLARIFY MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, TO CLARIFY JUVENILE DETENTION TRANSFER, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE.

On motion of Representative Davis, the House does not concur in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (113-0), and conferees are requested. The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

H.B. 192 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE WILDLIFE LAWS, AS REQUESTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION.

On motion of Representative Adams, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (111-2), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 608 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE ELEVATOR SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE ACCORDINGLY.

On motion of Representative Goodwin, the House concurs in the Senate amendment, by electronic vote (113-0), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

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H.B. 611 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY VARIOUS POWERS OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSIONS AND TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN EXPUNGED CRIMES COMMITTED BY MINORS CANNOT PREVENT LAW ENFORCEMENT CERTIFICATION.

On motion of Representative Carson Smith, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (113-0), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

On motion of the Chair, **S.B. 389** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PERSONS SIXTEEN AND SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO GIVE OR DONATE BLOOD WITH WRITTEN PARENTAL CONSENT AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE MIDWIFERY STATUTES, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and placed on the Calendar of June 22.

S.B. 411 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO EDUCATION LAWS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (113-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

S.B. 552 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NOTARY ACT, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (113-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 626 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMISSION, AND TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO RIOTING, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (112-1), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representative F. Jackson requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (113-0).

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The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

S.B. 631 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PUBLIC HEALTHCARE FACILITIES AND STATE FUNDS FOR GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES ON MINORS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (66-47), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Bell, that the House adjourn at 4:13 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, and in memory of Trent Yarborough, and in honor and memory of former Member Annie Brown Kennedy, to reconvene Thursday, June 22 at 10:45 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferee on **H.B. 186** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES, TO MODIFY THE SERVICE OF SUMMONS FOR JUVENILE PETITIONS, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR COURT-ORDERED EVALUATIONS FOR JUVENILES, TO CLARIFY MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, TO CLARIFY JUVENILE DETENTION TRANSFER, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE: Representative Davis, Chair.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 438** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO KEEP THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY AND GRANVILLE

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COUNTY AS THE CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED COMMON BOUNDARY WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY BOUNDARIES ESTABLISHED BY THE 2020 CENSUS GEOGRAPHY, is withdrawn from the Calendar of June 22 and placed on the Calendar 36(b).

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the following bills are withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 2 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 546 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE SPECIAL ECONOMIC INTEREST OWNERS OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES AND TO GRANT THEM INFORMATION RIGHTS AND STANDING TO SEEK JUDICIAL DISSOLUTION, TO CHANGE THE PROCESS FOR ESTABLISHING PATERNITY OF CHILDREN BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK, AND TO AMEND THE LAWS ON ALIMONY AND POSTSEPARATION SUPPORT FOR DEPENDENT SPOUSES.

S.B. 91, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING RULE 4 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE TO ALLOW ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE USING A FORM ISSUED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS.

S.B. 615, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, AND THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the following bills are withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on the Calendar of June 28.

S.B. 364 (Ratified), AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT TO PROHIBIT COMPELLED SPEECH WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL SEEKS STATE GOVERNMENT OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYMENT, TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STATE AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS, AND TO PROHIBIT STATE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE WORKPLACES FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT.

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S.B. 331 (Ratified), AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT.

S.B. 329 (Ratified), AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT.

S.B. 299 (Ratified), AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 579**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 2 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

EIGHTY-THIRD DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, June 22, 2023

The House meets at 10:45 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Abe Jones.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Iler reports the Journal of June 21 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, Blackwell, Brockman, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cotham, Gill, Lowery, Mills, Moss, Ross, Sauls, Stevens, Tyson, and Winslow for today.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

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S.B. 552, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NOTARY ACT.

H.B. 192, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE WILDLIFE LAWS, AS REQUESTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION.

H.B. 608, AN ACT TO CHANGE ELEVATOR SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE ACCORDINGLY.

H.B. 611, AN ACT TO MODIFY VARIOUS POWERS OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSIONS AND TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN EXPUNGED CRIMES COMMITTED BY MINORS CANNOT PREVENT LAW ENFORCEMENT CERTIFICATION.

The following resolution is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.J.R. 652, A JOINT RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF ANNIE BROWN KENNEDY, FORMER MEMBER OF THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. (RESOLUTION 2023-9)

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bill is properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 126, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS. (S.L. 2023-50)

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following is received from the Senate:

H.B. 168 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

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Without objection, the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to your message received on June 13, 2023 that the House of Representatives failed to concur in **H.B. 31 Senate Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR PARTISAN ELECTIONS FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE ROWAN-SALISBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Ford, Chair
Senator P. Newton
Senator Daniel

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to your message received on June 7, 2023 that the House of Representatives failed to concur in **H.B. 149 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REMOTE CHARTER ACADEMIES, TO PROVIDE A ONE-YEAR

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EXTENSION OF THE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM, AND TO REQUIRE THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Lee, Chair
Senator Galey
Senator Johnson

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the message from the Senate on June 13, 2023 informing the House of Representatives that the Senate fails to concur in **S.B. 195 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Galey, Chair
Senator Barnes
Senator Lee

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the message from the Senate today informing the House of Representatives that the Senate fails to concur in **S.B. 382 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS OF DENTISTRY, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Perry, Chair
Senator Corbin
Senator Burgin

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following are received from the Senate:

H.B. 574 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Without objection, the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 618 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE

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BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

H.B. 627 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TO IMPLEMENT ITS ON-SITE WASTEWATER RULES DIFFERENTLY AND READOPT ITS RULES CONSISTENT WITH THAT IMPLEMENTATION, is returned for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the committee substitute bill with unengrossed Senate Amendment No. 1 is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

S.B. 246 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND WHAT CONSTITUTES THE CRIME OF SECOND DEGREE TRESPASS TO INCLUDE ENTERING OR REMAINING ON THE CURTILAGE OF A DWELLING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF MIDNIGHT AND 6:00 A.M., passes its second reading, by electronic vote (92-4), and there being no objection is read a third time.

[Pursuant to the motion made by the Chair, Representatives Arp, K. Baker, Ball, Bell, Hardister, Lambeth, Reives, Riddell, and Saine are recorded as voting "aye." The adjusted vote total is (101-4).]

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

ESCORT COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED

The Chair appoints Representative Arp, Chair; Representatives Saine, Lambeth, Reives, Hardister, and Riddell to the Escort Committee and asks those Members to retire to the rear of the Chamber to escort Koji Sato, President of Toyota Motor Corporation.

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GUEST

The Speaker directs the Sergeant-at-Arms to admit Koji Sato, President of Toyota Motor Corporation, to the floor of the House.

VOTE ADJUSTED

On motion of the Chair and without objection, the Rules are suspended in order for Members who were outside the Chamber for the second reading vote of **S.B. 246** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND WHAT CONSTITUTES THE CRIME OF SECOND DEGREE TRESPASS TO INCLUDE ENTERING OR REMAINING ON THE CURTILAGE OF A DWELLING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF MIDNIGHT AND 6:00 A.M., to be recorded as voting "aye." The adjusted vote total is (101-4).

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 171 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

Representative Carson Smith offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted.

Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 2 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (40-65).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (91-14), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representative Ball requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "aye" to "no." Representative Cervania requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (91-14).

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Amendment No. 1.

S.B. 389 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW PERSONS SIXTEEN AND SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO GIVE OR DONATE BLOOD WITH WRITTEN PARENTAL CONSENT AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE MIDWIFERY STATUTES, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (105-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

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The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

H.B. 168 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

On motion of Representative K. Hall, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by three-fifths majority electronic vote (105-0), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 574 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS.

On motion of Representative Balkcom, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (63-42), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

Representative A. Jones requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (62-43).

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Hastings, that the House adjourn at 11:35 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, June 26, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representatives Bradford, Kidwell, Setzer, Wray, and Howard, Chairs, for the Committee on Finance:

S.B. 44 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE LICENSURE OF MOBILE BEAUTY SALONS AND ENSURE THEIR SAFE AND HYGIENIC OPERATION AND TO AUTHORIZE COSMETIC ART SERVICES AT WEDDING VENUES, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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S.B. 169 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH ANNEXED SATELLITE AREAS MAY BE REZONED BY MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED WHOLLY OR PARTLY IN DAVIDSON COUNTY, TO REQUIRE MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED WHOLLY OR PARTLY IN NASH COUNTY TO INFORM THE NASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PRIOR TO ANNEXING CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY, AND TO REQUIRE MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED WHOLLY OR PARTLY IN NASH COUNTY TO OBTAIN THE APPROVAL OF THE NASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PRIOR TO CONDUCTING A SATELLITE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY AND PRIOR TO REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY SATELLITE ANNEXATION, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, unfavorable as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1, and recommendation that House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 438** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO KEEP THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY AND GRANVILLE COUNTY AS THE CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED COMMON BOUNDARY WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY BOUNDARIES ESTABLISHED BY THE 2020 CENSUS GEOGRAPHY, is withdrawn from the Calendar 36(b) and placed on the Calendar of June 27.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the following bills are withdrawn from the Calendar of June 28 and placed on the Calendar of June 27.

H.B. 618 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.

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H.B. 627 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TO IMPLEMENT ITS ON-SITE WASTEWATER RULES DIFFERENTLY AND READOPT ITS RULES CONSISTENT WITH THAT IMPLEMENTATION.

S.B. 299 (Ratified), AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT.

S.B. 329 (Ratified), AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT.

S.B. 331 (Ratified), AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT.

S.B. 364 (Ratified), AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT TO PROHIBIT COMPELLED SPEECH WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL SEEKS STATE GOVERNMENT OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYMENT, TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STATE AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS, AND TO PROHIBIT STATE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE WORKPLACES FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Brandon Lofton:

COMMENDING THE CHARLOTTE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR ACTIONS DURING THE FIRE OF MAY 18, 2023

WHEREAS, the Charlotte Fire Department delivers fire suppression, emergency medical services, technical rescue (including urban search and rescue teams), hazardous materials mitigation, fire prevention, domestic preparedness, fire safety education, and fire investigation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte Fire Department has 43 firehouses, including 43 engine companies and 16 ladder companies, protecting over 875,000 Charlotte residents as well as the Charlotte area; and

WHEREAS, seldom does a city see the magnitude and tragedy of the fire that residents of the City of Charlotte witnessed on Thursday, May 18, 2023; and

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WHEREAS, at 9:02 a.m., Charlotte Fire Alarm received calls about a trailer fire at the 7700 block of Liberty Row Rd. The Charlotte Fire Department arrived within minutes with heavy smoke showing at a construction site where apartments were being built. At 9:10 a.m., a second alarm was called to bring added resources to the scene; and

WHEREAS, when the first call was taken, Charlotte Fire Alarm assigned the first fire truck in 33 seconds. Engine 12, the first assigned fire truck, was en route within 26 seconds of their dispatch, and they arrived on the scene in four minutes and six seconds; and

WHEREAS, at 9:20 a.m., a third alarm was called; ten minutes later, a fourth alarm was called. At 9:56 a.m., a fifth alarm was called to bring critical resources to the scene; and

WHEREAS, with sustained temperatures of over 2,000 degrees Fahrenheit, firefighters were actively rescuing those trapped in the building. Two hundred ten feet above the ground, a crane operator was trapped. With multiple crews working to get the operator to safety, a Charlotte firefighter scaled the crane's ladder to bring the patient safely to the ground; and

WHEREAS, maydays or alerts that firefighters needed assistance to evacuate extremely dangerous fire conditions were sounded by firefighters as they searched for trapped workers on the 6th floor; and

WHEREAS, as the buildings collapsed, firefighters needed to evacuate for their safety, but later heroically went back to protect lives and property; and

WHEREAS, during the active emergency incident, 73 apparatus and support vehicles were on the scene. Another 35 apparatus and support vehicles were assigned to ensure the scene stayed safe and secure. More than 175 Charlotte Fire Department firefighters and support personnel aided to bring this fire under control; and

WHEREAS, tragically, two people lost their lives in the fire; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte firefighters rescued those trapped in the building, including a crane operator trapped two hundred and ten feet above ground; and

WHEREAS, surrounding counties assisted the Charlotte Fire Department by ensuring adequate coverage for the City's citizens, including West Mecklenburg, Pineville, Pleasant Valley, Midland, Wesley Chapel, Harrisburg, Davidson, Cornelius, Concord, and Steele Creek Fire Departments; and

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WHEREAS, the Charlotte Fire Department is grateful for the support from North Carolina Emergency Management and the North Carolina Office of State Fire Marshal; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte community and the entire State of North Carolina is grateful for the heroism and selflessness of the Charlotte Fire Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to commend the Charlotte Fire Department for its response to the fire on May 18, 2023, and to express gratitude to the brave firefighters of the Department for the lives saved and their service to the Charlotte community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 22nd day of June, 2023.

S/ Representative Brandon Lofton
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Sarah Crawford:

**HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF
DEREK MICHAEL SCOTT**

WHEREAS, Derek Michael Scott was born on March 16, 1975, in Fort Sill, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Derek Michael Scott graduated from the Rose-Hilman Institute of Technology in Terre-Haute, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Derek Michael Scott married the love of his life, Heather, on June 21, 2008, and had two amazing children, Alex and Madeleine, who meant the world to him; and

WHEREAS, Derek Michael Scott worked for 23 years at Dell-EMC in Durham, North Carolina, as a software engineer where he received several patents, numerous awards, and was well-respected by his peers and supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Derek Michael Scott was a passionate champion of public education, dedicating his time and brilliant mind to providing invaluable data

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analysis in order to advocate for North Carolina school children and their families; and

WHEREAS, Derek Michael Scott passed away peacefully on June 8, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Derek Michael Scott has left an enormous impression on the lives of many and will not be forgotten;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to honor the life and memory of Derek Michael Scott and to express sympathy to his family.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 22nd day of June, 2023.

S/ Representative Sarah Crawford
S/ Representative Terence Everitt
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
June 22, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to your message received on June 21, 2023 that the House of Representatives failed to concur in **H.B. 186 Senate Committee Substitute (6th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES, TO MODIFY THE SERVICE OF SUMMONS FOR JUVENILE PETITIONS, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR COURT-ORDERED EVALUATIONS FOR JUVENILES, TO CLARIFY MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, TO CLARIFY JUVENILE DETENTION TRANSFER, AND

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TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Britt, Chair
Senator Daniel
Senator B. Newton

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the conferees appointed to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies on **S.B. 382 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS OF DENTISTRY, have been dismissed.

The President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Perry, Chair
Senator Corbin
Senator Rabon

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the following bills are withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Health and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 45, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS AND CERTIFIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONALS.

S.B. 425 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE LAWS PERTAINING TO MEDICAID AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH.

S.B. 507, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN CHIROPRACTIC PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SERVICES UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION.

S.B. 722 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITIES IN CHILD CARE TO ADDRESS THE WORKFORCE SHORTAGE BY RECOGNIZING THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE (CDA) CREDENTIAL IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION.

S.B. 774 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HOME ASSISTANCE SERVICES FROM HOME CARE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 344** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE REGULATORY CHANGES AND CREATE OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENTS TO THE DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION'S MENTAL HEALTH LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION SECTION, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on the Calendar of June 27.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 852**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PLACEMENT OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDS) IN ALL SCHOOLS IN PUBLIC

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SCHOOL UNITS AND TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL ON THE USE OF AEDS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the following bills are withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary 2 and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 1. The serial referrals to the Committee on Transportation and the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House remain.

H.B. 147, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE RESTORATION FEE FOR DRIVERS LICENSES REVOKED FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES INVOLVING ALCOHOL, TO AMEND THE CRITERIA THAT MUST BE MET FOR A PERSON'S DRIVERS LICENSE TO BE IMMEDIATELY REVOKED FOR AN IMPLIED-CONSENT OFFENSE CHARGE, AND TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF THE FEE A PERSON MUST PAY IF THE PERSON'S DRIVERS LICENSE IS IMMEDIATELY REVOKED FOR AN IMPLIED-CONSENT OFFENSE CHARGE.

H.B. 148, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STOP IMPAIRED DRIVERS AND SAVE LIVES BY LOWERING THE LEGAL BLOOD ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION LIMIT FOR OPERATING A VEHICLE OR VESSEL.

H.B. 211, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE MITIGATING FACTORS CONSIDERED IN IMPAIRED DRIVING SENTENCING TO PROVIDE THAT IMPAIRED DRIVING RESULTING FROM CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL IS JUST AS DANGEROUS AS IMPAIRED DRIVING RESULTING FROM OTHER IMPAIRED SUBSTANCES.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **S.B. 195** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA: Representative Hardister, Chair; Representatives D. Hall, Prather, and Pickett.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

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The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **S.B. 382** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS OF DENTISTRY: Representative Potts, Chair; Representatives K. Baker, and D. Hall.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

The House stands adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

EIGHTY-FOURTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, June 26, 2023

The House meets at 4:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative White.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Allison A. Dahle:

"Merciful God, we pray to You for the recovery of all who are facing illness or pain. We join our prayers with all who love them. Grant them renewed strength and courage.

"Strengthen in them the healing powers You have placed within us all. Guide the hearts and hands of those who are entrusted with their care. Help all of us who share the anxiety of illness to be brave and hopeful. Inspire us with courage and faith. Grant Your blessings to all who call upon You.

"May the knowledge of Your love and ours give added hope to them and to their dear ones. May they find even greater strength because our prayers are linked to theirs. When pain and fatigue are my companions, let there be room in my heart for strength.

"When days and nights are filled with darkness, let the light of courage find its place. Help me to endure the suffering and dissolve the fear, renew within me the calm spirit of trust and peace.' Amen."

(Excerpts from "A Jewish Prayer for Healing")

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Representative Penny reports the Journal of June 22 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 750, *"AN ACT TO ADDRESS THE USE OF ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE CRITERIA BY STATE AGENCIES AND STATE PENSION PLAN FIDUCIARIES."*

"This bill does exactly what it claims to stop. For political reasons only, it unnecessarily limits the Treasurer's ability to make decisions based on the best interest of state retirees and the fiscal health of the retirement fund.

"Therefore, I veto the bill."

S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House on this the 23rd day of June 2023, at 4:00 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is placed on the Calendar of June 27, 2023.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 246, AN ACT TO AMEND WHAT CONSTITUTES THE CRIME OF SECOND DEGREE TRESPASS TO INCLUDE ENTERING OR

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REMAINING ON THE CURTILAGE OF A DWELLING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF MIDNIGHT AND 6:00 A.M.

S.B. 626, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMISSION, AND TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO RIOTING.

H.B. 168, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

H.B. 574, AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 22, AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAMES OF THE OUTDOOR HERITAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE NORTH CAROLINA OUTDOOR HERITAGE TRUST FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF GRANTS AND PROGRAMMING TO PROMOTE YOUTH OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES. (S.L. 2023-51)

H.B. 140, AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES TO EMPLOY AND ALLOW CIVILIAN PERSONNEL TO INVESTIGATE TRAFFIC CRASHES INVOLVING ONLY PROPERTY DAMAGE. (S.L. 2023-52)

S.B. 240, AN ACT TO PROVIDE CHOICE OF EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PERMITTING AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN AIRPORT AUTHORITIES. (S.L. 2023-53)

S.B. 327, AN ACT TO CONFORM THE GENERAL STATUTES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE BY UPDATING OBSOLETE REFERENCES TO "ASSIGNMENTS OF ERROR" AND "EXCEPTIONS" AND TO MAKE OTHER TECHNICAL CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION. (S.L. 2023-54)

S.B. 673, AN ACT TO ALLOW ALTERNATIVE PEAK DAILY SEWAGE FLOW RATES FOR DESIGN RATE MODELING, TO PERMIT

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WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM EXPANSIONS BEYOND EXISTING ALLOCATION IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO MAKE CLARIFICATIONS TO THE SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FEE STATUTES. (S.L. 2023-55)

H.B. 611, AN ACT TO MODIFY VARIOUS POWERS OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND SHERIFFS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSIONS AND TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN EXPUNGED CRIMES COMMITTED BY MINORS CANNOT PREVENT LAW ENFORCEMENT CERTIFICATION. (S.L. 2023-56)

S.B. 552, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NOTARY ACT. (S.L. 2023-57)

H.B. 130, AN ACT TO (I) LIMIT CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM PROHIBITING CONSUMER CHOICE OF ENERGY SERVICE BASED UPON THE TYPE OR SOURCE OF ENERGY TO BE DELIVERED AND (II) REQUIRE RESPONSIBLE DECOMMISSIONING OF NEWLY SITED UTILITY-SCALE SOLAR PROJECTS UPON CESSATION OF OPERATIONS. (S.L. 2023-58) [Became law without the approval of the Governor.]

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following are received from the Senate:

H.B. 605 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO ESTABLISH PEER-TO-PEER COUNSELING IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO CLARIFY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE ADOPTION OF POLICIES REGARDING PLACEMENT AND CONTENTS OF SCHOOL CRISIS KITS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO EXPAND LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS FROM ONLY TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, AND TO EXPAND DATA COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS REGARDING SCHOOL SAFETY EXERCISES FROM ONLY TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 27.

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S.B. 747 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 749 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative Dahle, that the House adjourn at 4:07 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, June 27 at 10:45 a.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the serial referral for **S.B. 527** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE ELEVATOR SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE ACCORDINGLY, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House is stricken.

Serial referrals to the Committee on Finance and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House are added.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 678** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDEFINE "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AS "CLEAN ENERGY," TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM INCLUDES NUCLEAR RESOURCES AND FUSION ENERGY, AND TO ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 613** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A TWENTY-FIVE-FOOT BUFFER FOR CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES IN PROXIMITY TO STREAMS CLASSIFIED AS TROUT WATERS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Finance and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 582 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE AGRICULTURAL AND WASTEWATER LAWS OF THIS STATE, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on June 23, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 582, "AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE AGRICULTURAL AND WASTEWATER LAWS OF THIS STATE."

"The provision in this bill that severely weakens protection for wetlands means more severe flooding for homes, roads and businesses and dirtier water for our people, particularly in eastern North Carolina. This provision coupled with the drastic weakening of federal rules caused by the U.S. Supreme Court's recent decision in the Sackett case, leaves approximately 2.5 million

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acres, or about one half of our state's wetlands, unprotected. The General Assembly has allocated tens of millions of dollars to protect the state from flooding and my administration is working to stop pollution like PFAS and other contaminants. This bill reverses our progress and leaves the state vulnerable without vital flood mitigation and water purification tools.

"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 23 day of June 2023, at 3:59 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Messages are received from the Senate:

H.B. 190 (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 TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO SESSION LAW 2023-14, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of June 27.

S.B. 120, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW SWAIN COUNTY TO LEVY AN ADDITIONAL OCCUPANCY TAX OF UP TO TWO PERCENT, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 99 (Committee Substitute), 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; TO INCREASE THE TRANSPARENCY OF BOND REFERENDUMS BY REQUIRING THE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAX INCREASE ON THE BALLOT QUESTION IF KNOWN AND ADDITIONAL POSTING OF BOND ORDERS; AND TO REQUIRE THE

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION TO MAINTAIN A DATABASE OF PROPOSED BOND ISSUE APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 132, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE BERTIE COUNTY TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 154 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AVERY COUNTY TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX IN A TAX DISTRICT COMPRISING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF INDIAN TRAIL, A PORTION OF THE TOWN OF STALLINGS, AND UNION COUNTY TO EACH LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX, IF APPROVED IN A REFERENDUM, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 162 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONFORM AND INCREASE THE YANCEY COUNTY OCCUPANCY TAX AUTHORIZATION, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 255, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REPEAL THE CURRENT IREDELL COUNTY-WIDE OCCUPANCY TAX, TO CREATE IREDELL COUNTY DISTRICT I, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF AN OCCUPANCY TAX IN THE DISTRICT, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **S.B. 582 (Ratified)**, AN ACT

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TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE AGRICULTURAL AND WASTEWATER LAWS OF THIS STATE, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

Pursuant to Article II, Section 22, of the North Carolina Constitution, the bill together with the objections and veto message are hereby delivered to your Honorable Body for reconsideration.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
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S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina Senate on this the 23 day of June 2023, at 3:59 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

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The bill is placed on the Calendar of June 27, 2023.

The House stands adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

EIGHTY-FIFTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, June 27, 2023

The House meets at 10:45 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Mike Clampitt:

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations."

(Psalm 100)

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Wheatley reports the Journal of June 26 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

A leave of absence is granted to Representative Alexander for today. Representative Cairns is excused for a portion of the Session.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Brayden Fontenot, Taylor Harding, and Emma Carleene Jordan.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following are received from the Senate:

H.B. 34 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE PROTECT THOSE WHO SERVE AND PROTECT ACT, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

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Without objection, the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 488 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS, is returned for concurrence in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Without objection, Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 790 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOCENCE INQUIRY COMMISSION AND TO MODIFY VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Without objection, the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 813 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO PRETRIAL RELEASE, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Without objection, the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 10:48 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

RECESS

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

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By Representatives Potts, K. Baker, Lambeth, Paré, Sasser, and White, Chairs, for the Committee on Health:

S.B. 45, 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, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 274 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HOME ASSISTANCE SERVICES FROM HOME CARE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 507, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN CHIROPRACTIC PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SERVICES UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 722 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITIES IN CHILD CARE TO ADDRESS THE WORKFORCE SHORTAGE BY RECOGNIZING THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE (CDA) CREDENTIAL IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

H.B. 190 (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 TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO SESSION LAW 2023-14.

Representative Potts moves that the House do concur in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Representative D. Hall calls the previous question on the motion and the call is sustained by electronic vote (74-45).

The House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (115-4), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

H.B. 344 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE REGULATORY CHANGES AND CREATE OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENTS TO THE DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION'S MENTAL HEALTH LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION SECTION.

On motion of Representative Willis, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (116-2), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

Representative Gill requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (117-1).

H.B. 750 (Ratified), AN ACT TO ADDRESS THE USE OF ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE CRITERIA BY STATE AGENCIES AND STATE PENSION PLAN FIDUCIARIES.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

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The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote and the bill is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Winslow, and Zenger - 72.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, Brockman, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, Willingham, and Wray - 46.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

S.B. 299 (Ratified), AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 75.

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Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, and von Haefen - 44.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

S.B. 329 (Ratified), AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 76.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, and von Haefen - 43.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

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S.B. 331 (Ratified), AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 76.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, and von Haefen - 43.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

S.B. 364 (Ratified), AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT TO PROHIBIT COMPELLED SPEECH WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL SEEKS STATE GOVERNMENT OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYMENT, TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STATE AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS, AND TO PROHIBIT STATE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE WORKPLACES FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

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The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Winslow, and Zenger - 72.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, Brockman, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, Willingham, and Wray - 47.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

S.B. 582 (Ratified), AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE AGRICULTURAL AND WASTEWATER LAWS OF THIS STATE.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

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Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Morey, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, and von Haefen - 40.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

H.B. 605 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO ESTABLISH PEER-TO-PEER COUNSELING IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO CLARIFY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE ADOPTION OF POLICIES REGARDING PLACEMENT AND CONTENTS OF SCHOOL CRISIS KITS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO EXPAND LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS FROM ONLY TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, AND TO EXPAND DATA COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS REGARDING SCHOOL SAFETY EXERCISES FROM ONLY TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS.

On motion of Representative Torbett, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (115-4), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

H.B. 618 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.

On motion of Representative Cotham, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (77-42), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

H.B. 627 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DIRECT THE COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TO IMPLEMENT

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ITS ON-SITE WASTEWATER RULES DIFFERENTLY AND READOPT ITS RULES CONSISTENT WITH THAT IMPLEMENTATION.

On motion of Representative Brody, the House concurs in the Senate amendment, by electronic vote (110-9), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

Representative Belk requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (109-10).

H.B. 438 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO KEEP THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY AND GRANVILLE COUNTY AS THE CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED COMMON BOUNDARY WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY BOUNDARIES ESTABLISHED BY THE 2020 CENSUS GEOGRAPHY, passes its second reading, by the following vote, and remains on the Calendar.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Dahle, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gill, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Hastings, Hawkins, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 118.

Voting in the negative: Representative Belk.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

Representative Belk requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (119-0).

H.B. 34 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ENACTING THE PROTECT THOSE WHO SERVE AND PROTECT ACT.

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On motion of Representative Hastings, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (115-4), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

H.B. 488 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

On motion of Representative Brody, the House concurs in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, by electronic vote (93-26), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

H.B. 790 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOCENCE INQUIRY COMMISSION AND TO MODIFY VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.

On motion of Representative Pyrtle, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (98-20), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

Representative T. Brown requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (99-19).

H.B. 813 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO PRETRIAL RELEASE.

On motion of Representative Bradford, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (89-30), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

Pages for the week of June 26 are introduced to the membership. They are: Thomas Bryant of Guilford; Madison Bryce of Wake; Lillian Daughety of Lenoir; Andrew DiMeglio of Wake; Lukas Doreauk of Wake; Bryson Freed of Franklin; Sophia Garza of Davie; Ava Geisler of Guilford; Shep Goldstein of Buncombe; Sydney Hayes of Davie; Paul Henning of Guilford;

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Emma Lohman of Wake; Max Lubsen of Wake; Savannah Quintus of Johnston; Elle Riddle of Henderson; Owen Schnur of Carteret; Sophia Smart of Cleveland; and Turner Stuckey of Johnston.

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE STEVENS PRESIDING.

On motion of Representative D. Hall and without objection, the House adjourns at 2:45 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, June 28 at 10:30 a.m.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Frances Jackson, PhD:

**CONGRATULATING ARRAN LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH
ON ITS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, in the summer of 1965, Snyder Memorial Baptist sponsored a Mission Bible School in the Arran Lake area. That following year, Snyder Memorial Baptist Church, along with the South River Baptist Association and the State Missions Department, donated funds to help the Mission build a facility to hold services; and

WHEREAS, the Mission Bible School was able to purchase the land where it is currently located with the help of the Baptist State Convention. On January 2, 1966, the Arran Lake Baptist Mission held its first official service with Rev. Ernest Upchurch, Head of Development at the Baptist State Convention, leading the worship service. By February of that year, the Mission had 36 church members and 98 Sunday School members on its roll; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 1973, Snyder Memorial Baptist Church joined Arran Lake Baptist Mission forming the Arran Lake Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, pastors who have served the church include Reverend Talmadge Infinger (1967-1973), Melvin Brown (1974-1975), James Coffman (1975-1978), and Jim Camp (1979-1989), along with other interim pastors. Arran Lake Baptist Church's current senior pastor, Dr. Jeffery Isenhour, began serving the Church in June of 1989; and

WHEREAS, the Church has expanded its facilities over the years, including new spaces for services, offices, classrooms, youth activities, choirs, and a playground; and

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WHEREAS, on February 12, 2002, ground was broken for a Family Life Center, which was designed to house a fellowship hall, kitchen, and classrooms. Around 2011, this building was renovated to include a contemporary sanctuary and later renovated to include a new children's wing and playground area; and

WHEREAS, Arran Lake Baptist Church, which began with a group of people meeting in a home, has resulted in 50 years of service to the citizens of Fayetteville;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to congratulate Arran Lake Baptist Church on its 50th anniversary and to extend best wishes to the Church on its future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 27th day of June, 2023.

S/ Representative Frances Jackson, PhD
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bill is duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

H.B. 190, AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO SESSION LAW 2023-14.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committees are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

H.B. 451, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE EXTENSION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICE DISTRICTS TO AREAS NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE SERVICE DISTRICT, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

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H.B. 741 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS ACT AND TO MODIFY CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING CHARITABLE SOLICITATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

H.B. 850, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO LICENSING BOARDS RELATED TO COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

H.B. 852, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PLACEMENT OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDS) IN ALL SCHOOLS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS AND TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL ON THE USE OF AEDS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

S.B. 45, 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 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

S.B. 135 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT PERSONS FROM USING A TITLE OR ABBREVIATION INDICATING THE QUALIFICATION AS A REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN REGISTERED WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

S.B. 507, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN CHIROPRACTIC PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SERVICES UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

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S.B. 722 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITIES IN CHILD CARE TO ADDRESS THE WORK-FORCE SHORTAGE BY RECOGNIZING THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE (CDA) CREDENTIAL IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar of June 28.

H.B. 721 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY WHETHER TO ESTABLISH THE NORTH CAROLINA BULLION DEPOSITORY, with a favorable report as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, unfavorable as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Calendar of June 28. Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

By Representatives Arp, K. Hall, and Winslow, Chairs, for the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities:

H.B. 197 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS REGARDING BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, with a favorable report as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, unfavorable as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 1, and recommendation that Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 678 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REDEFINE "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AS "CLEAN ENERGY," TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM INCLUDES NUCLEAR RESOURCES AND FUSION ENERGY, AND TO ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House stands adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

EIGHTY-SIXTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 28, 2023

The House meets at 10:30 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Jeffrey C. McNeely:

"Heavenly Father, we come with the humble hearts to be Your servants and do Your will. I pray that You guide us in our decisions, and that they are pleasing to You.

"May our government be an instrument of justice and peace, and may we can find common ground. You have given us a blueprint of what is right; please let us have the wisdom to follow it.

"Lord, I lift up all who protect us, both here and in far away places. Please protect them. Watch over these United States of America, and bless us and keep us from harm's way.

"I pray all of this in Your Son Jesus' Name. And all God's children said, 'Amen!'"

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of June 27 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Adams, Alexander, Brockman, Faircloth, Humphrey, B. Jones, and Willis for today. Representatives Cleveland, Howard, Mills, and Quick are excused for a portion of the Session.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Star Capps and Tyler Morgan.

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ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 171, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

S.B. 389, AN ACT TO ALLOW PERSONS SIXTEEN AND SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO GIVE OR DONATE BLOOD WITH WRITTEN PARENTAL CONSENT AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE MIDWIFERY STATUTES.

H.B. 34, AN ACT ENACTING THE PROTECT THOSE WHO SERVE AND PROTECT ACT.

H.B. 344, AN ACT TO MAKE REGULATORY CHANGES AND CREATE OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENTS TO THE DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION'S MENTAL HEALTH LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION SECTION.

H.B. 488, AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

H.B. 605, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO ESTABLISH PEER-TO-PEER COUNSELING IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO CLARIFY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE ADOPTION OF POLICIES REGARDING PLACEMENT AND CONTENTS OF SCHOOL CRISIS KITS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO EXPAND LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS FROM ONLY TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, AND TO EXPAND DATA COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS REGARDING SCHOOL SAFETY EXERCISES FROM ONLY TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS.

H.B. 618, AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS

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FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.

H.B. 627, AN ACT TO DIRECT THE COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TO IMPLEMENT ITS ON-SITE WASTEWATER RULES DIFFERENTLY AND READOPT ITS RULES CONSISTENT WITH THAT IMPLEMENTATION.

H.B. 790, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOCENCE INQUIRY COMMISSION AND TO MODIFY VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.

H.B. 813, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO PRETRIAL RELEASE.

H.B. 815, AN ACT TO ALLOW ONE CHILD OR SIBLINGS IN FOSTER CARE TO BE PLACED IN A FAMILY FOSTER HOME IF THE FOSTER FAMILY HAS FIVE BIOLOGICAL CHILDREN.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 299, AN ACT TO INCREASE COMPLIANCE BY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT FAIL TO TIMELY SUBMIT AN ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT. (S.L. 2023-59) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

S.B. 329, AN ACT TO AMEND THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT SALES ACT. (S.L. 2023-60) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

S.B. 331, AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSUMER FINANCE ACT. (S.L. 2023-61) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

S.B. 364, AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATE HUMAN RESOURCES ACT TO PROHIBIT COMPELLED SPEECH WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL SEEKS STATE GOVERNMENT OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYMENT, TO DEMONSTRATE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S INTENT THAT STATE AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE EMPLOYEES

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RECOGNIZE THE EQUALITY AND RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS, AND TO PROHIBIT STATE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE WORKPLACES FROM PROMOTING CERTAIN CONCEPTS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO THAT INTENT. (S.L. 2023-62) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

S.B. 582, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE AGRICULTURAL AND WASTEWATER LAWS OF THIS STATE. (S.L. 2023-63) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

H.B. 750, AN ACT TO ADDRESS THE USE OF ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE CRITERIA BY STATE AGENCIES AND STATE PENSION PLAN FIDUCIARIES. (S.L. 2023-64) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **H.B. 750 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO ADDRESS THE USE OF ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, AND GOVERNANCE CRITERIA BY STATE AGENCIES AND STATE PENSION PLAN FIDUCIARIES, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor and the bill becomes law.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Messages are received from the Senate:

H.B. 628 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTES GOVERNING ON-SITE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS, TO MAKE CERTAIN NC ON-SITE WASTEWATER CON-

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TRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD CHANGES, TO DIRECT THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL TO CREATE AN ON-SITE WASTEWATER EXISTING SYSTEM AFFIDAVIT, TO MAKE CERTAIN WASTEWATER ELECTRICAL CHANGES, TO MAKE CERTAIN CHANGES TO PRIVATE DRINKING WATER WELL BUILDING INSPECTION AND INSTALLATION, TO PROHIBIT FORCED SEWER CONNECTIONS IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, AND TO ESTABLISH A REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATION UNDER THE STATE BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST EXAMINERS, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Without objection, the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 782 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODE EXCLUSION FOR TEMPORARY MOTION PICTURE, TELEVISION, AND THEATER STAGE SETS AND SCENERY TO EXEMPT THEM FROM USE AND OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATION UNDER THE CODE; TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH AN APPROVAL PROCESS FOR RADON PROFICIENCY PROGRAMS; AND TO PROVIDE THAT EVIDENCE OF A LICENSEE HAVING MAINTAINED A LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES FOR AT LEAST FIFTEEN YEARS SHALL BE ACCEPTED AS EXPERIENCE FOR PLUMBING AND HEATING QUALIFICATIONS BY THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PLUMBING, HEATING, AND FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Without objection, the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 808 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS, is returned for concurrence in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Without objection, Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on today's Calendar.

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On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 10:40 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 3:00 p.m.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committees are presented:

By Representatives Bradford, Kidwell, Setzer, Wray, Howard, Ross, and Tyson, Chairs, for the Committee on Finance:

H.B. 579 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO ESTABLISH OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR DEQ TO FACILITATE THE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS IN NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

H.B. 132 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WILL DELIVER PERMITS ISSUED TO PERMITTEES BY MAIL OR A DESIGNATED DELIVERY SERVICE INSTEAD OF IN-PERSON DELIVERY AT AN AGENCY OR OTHER PHYSICAL LOCATION UNLESS A PERMITTEE OPTS TO RECEIVE DELIVERY OF THE PERMIT IN PERSON, with a favorable report as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, unfavorable as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 1, and recommendation that Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

By Representative Stevens, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary 2:

S.B. 91, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING RULE 4 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE TO ALLOW ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE USING A FORM ISSUED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS, with a favorable

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report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 579, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 615, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, AND THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 546 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CREATE SPECIAL ECONOMIC INTEREST OWNERS OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES AND TO GRANT THEM INFORMATION RIGHTS AND STANDING TO SEEK JUDICIAL DISSOLUTION, TO CHANGE THE PROCESS FOR ESTABLISHING PATERNITY OF CHILDREN BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK, AND TO AMEND THE LAWS ON ALIMONY AND POSTSEPARATION SUPPORT FOR DEPENDENT SPOUSES, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Hardister sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 195** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA. The Conference Report is placed on today's Calendar.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

H.B. 579 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO ESTABLISH OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR DEQ TO FACILITATE THE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS IN NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, unfavorable as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on today's Calendar. Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

H.B. 132 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO DELIVER PERMITS ISSUED TO PERMITTEES BY MAIL OR A DESIGNATED DELIVERY SERVICE INSTEAD OF REQUIRING IN-PERSON PICKUP AT AN AGENCY OR OTHER PHYSICAL LOCATION UNLESS A PERMITTEE OPTS TO PICK UP THE PERMIT IN PERSON, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 197 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS REGARDING BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, with a favorable report.

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The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 49 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 615 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN JUVENILE MATTERS, AND GUARDIAN AD LITEM APPOINTMENT FOR UNEMANCIPATED MINORS, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 9 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF APEX TO ALLOW THE TOWN COUNCIL TO APPOINT THE TOWN CLERK; AND TO ALLOW THE MAYOR TO VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENTS OF THE TOWN MANAGER, TOWN ATTORNEY, AND TOWN CLERK, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, unfavorable as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on today's Calendar.
House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

H.B. 438 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO KEEP THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY AND GRANVILLE COUNTY AS THE CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED COMMON BOUNDARY WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY BOUNDARIES ESTABLISHED BY THE 2020 CENSUS GEOGRAPHY, passes its third reading, by the following vote, and is ordered sent to the Senate.

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Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Dahle, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Fontenot, Gill, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Hastings, Howard, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Morey, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 111.

Voting in the negative: None.

Excused absences: Representatives Adams, Alexander, Brockman, Faircloth, Humphrey, B. Jones, Mills, and Willis - 8.

H.B. 451, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE EXTENSION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICE DISTRICTS TO AREAS NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE SERVICE DISTRICT, passes its second reading, by the following vote, and remains on the Calendar.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Dahle, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Fontenot, Gill, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Hastings, Hawkins, Howard, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Morey, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 112.

Voting in the negative: None.

Excused absences: Representatives Adams, Alexander, Brockman, Faircloth, Humphrey, B. Jones, Mills, and Willis - 8.

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H.B. 721 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO STUDY THE HOLDING OF BULLION AND VIRTUAL CURRENCY AND THEIR POTENTIAL BENEFITS AND WHETHER TO ESTABLISH A NORTH CAROLINA BULLION DEPOSITORY FOR SUCH ASSETS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (75-38), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representatives Carney and Lucas request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (73-40).

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

H.B. 741 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS ACT AND TO MODIFY CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING CHARITABLE SOLICITATION, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (112-1), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

H.B. 850, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO LICENSING BOARDS RELATED TO COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.

Representative Brody offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (108-5), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representatives Carney and Lucas request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (110-3).

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate.

H.B. 852, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PLACEMENT OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AEDS) IN ALL SCHOOLS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS AND TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL ON THE USE OF AEDS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (113-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

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The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

On motion of Representative Pierce, the following remarks are spread upon the Journal.

REMARKS BY REPRESENTATIVE CARNEY

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Well, I'm alive and the bill is not named after me because I've died. But I did die at my desk. I've had one person - many people have come up and said, 'I saw that on the agenda,' or 'I saw it on the Calendar and I thought wait - did she die?' So I'm here! And I am extremely humbled, humbled beyond words. This isn't about my name being on a bill, but again I'm honored. If it can help, if it can help educate other people on the necessity of being prepared and we can be prepared by providing all of the processes that we need in place, an AED for one, CPR training.

"After that event that day, I would just briefly, if you will bear with me, it is an amazing story that I'm honored to still be alive and grateful to my God that I'm still here and to incredible healthcare and responders and an AED machine. I stayed after that Thursday to attend a Health Committee - I mean Insurance Committee - meeting. I wasn't on Insurance, but there was an issue with our state employees; we heard from the people in the committee meeting that morning from the providers and that afternoon we were going to hear from state employees, and I thought, 'I want to stay and hear what they have to say.' A colleague of mine who was a doctor stayed also, he was not on the Insurance Committee, he lived in the mountains of Western North Carolina. So I went in the committee room, they started the public hearing and I looked across and thought, 'why is Dr. England still here?' But good for him and good for me, we were listening. But I left there to go to my office, it was 4 o'clock, April the 2nd, and I told my LA, 'come in, a couple of things I want to give to you before I go home, I want to beat the traffic at the Triangle.' And so she was sitting there and we were talking and I sneezed and she sneezed and I said, 'God bless you,' and then she went on. This sneeze happened three times, the third time I didn't say 'God bless you' and she popped her head up to look; my head was on the desk - I am told.

"So the next little bit I'll share with you is what I have been told, that I do not know, don't remember, except before and after. But I do remember before the third sneeze I was on the phone to another colleague, Representative Insko, and we were chatting and I know that my LA sneezed, but I was listening to her, and then again the next thing I was told, my colleague on the phone heard me say, 'what is happening?' I don't remember saying that, but apparently that was at the moment I've been told medically that that was when my heart was racing off the chart, to the point that it stopped. I am so grateful to the fact that we had at my desk, starting there at

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all of your desks, we have a panic button. My LA had the foresight to reach under my desk, push the button, and go outside and scream into the courtyard, I am told, 'I need help!' There was a lobbyist who was at that Insurance Committee meeting, and he responded - he was right there. He came in and started, picked me up, laid me out on my desk, and started the CPR. And then the Capitol Police arrived and behind them was Dr. England, Representative England. The second they were there was a blessing, and then the third was our Capitol Police that responded, the two to that call, they had just received CPR training the week before. They had not had the training on the force, that was another miracle step. It is just such a story that could affect anyone in this building, anyone it could happen, within a flash. So the next thing I know, I wake up in the hospital and five of our six children were here around my bed, came from other states and here. And I woke up and they were all up over me saying, 'Mom, do you know what day it is? Do you know who the president is? Do you know where you are?' and I went, 'what is going on?' But I knew later what they were trying to do. They wanted to make sure that I still had not lost some of my cognizance and memory and whatever. I question that still today - no, I'm joking. They were asking that, and then when I was told what had happened, and then the TV was on and the 5 o'clock - or the 10, no 11 o'clock - news was on and I remember looking at it and hearing my name and seeing a stretcher going through the 1200 courtyard and a foot hanging off and my husband said, 'there you go!' And it's a surreal feeling, but my story is incredible, and it goes on beyond that, that's why I wear a backpack, but we'll save that for another bill.

"I've just, I don't know where to begin to express my gratitude for this bill being named, but from that incident I have, I know that here in Wake County and in other counties, they have put in AEDs in their government buildings, we have them in the LOB now. They're prevalent and in a lot of private companies and businesses. And I had a granddaughter who was with her mother traveling over in France, and she sent me a text saying, 'Ra-Ra, you won't believe, over here on the post, on their main street, there is a machine that saved your life!' And they had AEDs throughout the city there. I can't stress enough how important having the training that this bill does is for our personnel within school. I can't tell you how important it is to have those AEDs present, but I can tell you it is important to save a life. I believe I was saved for many reasons unknown to me, but I know my story is to be told, it is to be shared, it is to say: I'm not the first, I'm not the only one, and I won't be the last for this to happen to. I ask you to please think about these students and their families; that we start here, and we start with this. We did, this Body, I asked after that incident to pass a bill that requires CPR training for high school graduation - we did it. So, I ask you for a positive thing to do for our public schools and that is to have these AEDs in these facilities. I thank you again for this honor and thank you for listening."

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CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 45, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS AND CERTIFIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONALS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (112-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 135 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PREVENT PERSONS FROM USING A TITLE OR ABBREVIATION INDICATING THE QUALIFICATION AS A REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN REGISTERED WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (113-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 507, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN CHIROPRACTIC PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SERVICES UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (113-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 722 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITIES IN CHILD CARE TO ADDRESS THE WORKFORCE SHORTAGE BY RECOGNIZING THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE (CDA) CREDENTIAL IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (113-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 628 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTES GOVERNING ON-SITE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS, TO MAKE CERTAIN NC ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD CHANGES, TO DIRECT THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL TO CREATE

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AN ON-SITE WASTEWATER EXISTING SYSTEM AFFIDAVIT, TO MAKE CERTAIN WASTEWATER ELECTRICAL CHANGES, TO MAKE CERTAIN CHANGES TO PRIVATE DRINKING WATER WELL BUILDING INSPECTION AND INSTALLATION, TO PROHIBIT FORCED SEWER CONNECTIONS IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, AND TO ESTABLISH A REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATION UNDER THE STATE BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST EXAMINERS.

On motion of Representative Brody, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (96-16), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 782 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODE EXCLUSION FOR TEMPORARY MOTION PICTURE, TELEVISION, AND THEATER STAGE SETS AND SCENERY TO EXEMPT THEM FROM USE AND OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATION UNDER THE CODE; TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH AN APPROVAL PROCESS FOR RADON PROFICIENCY PROGRAMS; AND TO PROVIDE THAT EVIDENCE OF A LICENSEE HAVING MAINTAINED A LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES FOR AT LEAST FIFTEEN YEARS SHALL BE ACCEPTED AS EXPERIENCE FOR PLUMBING AND HEATING QUALIFICATIONS BY THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PLUMBING, HEATING, AND FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS.

On motion of Representative Cotham, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (112-1), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 808 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS.

Representative Blackwell moves that the House do concur in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE STEVENS PRESIDING.

The House concurs in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, by electronic vote (67-46), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

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CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Hardister moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute for S.B. 195

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 195, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/7/23, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/7/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/7/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S195-PCCS15367-BE-1.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: June 28, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Amy S. Gale, Chair
S/ Lisa S. Barnes
S/ Michael V. Lee

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Jon Hardister, Chair
S/ Destin Hall
S/ Lindsey Prather
S/ Ray Pickett

The Conference Report is adopted, by electronic vote (110-3), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 2023-102.)

SPEAKER MOORE PRESIDING.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 91 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING RULE 4 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE TO ALLOW ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE USING AN OFFICIAL FORM, TO MAKE STREET TAKEOVERS UNLAWFUL, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO COURTROOM PROCEDURES, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, unfavorable as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

Without objection, House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on today's Calendar. House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 452 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, unfavorable as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

Without objection, House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on today's Calendar. House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 579 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO ESTABLISH OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR DEQ TO FACILITATE THE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS IN NORTH CAROLINA, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (74-39), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representatives Carney and Reives request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (72-41).

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

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H.B. 132 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT REQUIRING STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO DELIVER PERMITS ISSUED TO PERMITTEES BY MAIL OR A DESIGNATED DELIVERY SERVICE INSTEAD OF REQUIRING IN-PERSON PICKUP AT AN AGENCY OR OTHER PHYSICAL LOCATION UNLESS A PERMITTEE OPTS TO PICK UP THE PERMIT IN PERSON, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (111-2), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

H.B. 197 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS REGARDING BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (112-1), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 4:30 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene at 4:50 p.m.

RECESS

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 451**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE EXTENSION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICE DISTRICTS TO AREAS NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE SERVICE DISTRICT, is withdrawn from the Calendar of June 29 and placed on the Calendar of July 12.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 49 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN.

Representative Saine offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted.

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Representative Morey is recognized to speak to a question of privilege regarding the integrity of proceedings in the House.

Representative D. Hall calls the previous question on the passage of the bill and the call is sustained by electronic vote (67-46).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (66-47), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

S.B. 9 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE APEX TOWN COUNCIL AND MAYOR TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS AND VOTE ON CERTAIN MATTERS REGARDING THE APPOINTEES FOR THE TOWN MANAGER, TOWN ATTORNEY, AND TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF APEX; TO FURTHER CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR FILLING VACANCIES ON THE GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO REQUIRE THAT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN HAYWOOD COUNTY AND MADISON COUNTY BE CONDUCTED ON A PARTISAN BASIS.

Representative Quick offers Amendment No. 1 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (46-67).

Representative Cervania offers Amendment No. 2 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (46-67).

The bill passes its second reading, by electronic vote (66-47), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 by Special Message.

S.B. 615 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN JUVENILE MATTERS, AND GUARDIAN AD LITEM APPOINTMENT FOR UNEMANCIPATED MINORS.

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Representative Morey offers Amendment No. 1 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (45-65).

The bill passes its second reading, by electronic vote (68-42), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

S.B. 452 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (109-2), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

S.B. 91 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING RULE 4 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE TO ALLOW ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE USING AN OFFICIAL FORM, TO MAKE STREET TAKEOVERS UNLAWFUL, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO COURTROOM PROCEDURES.

Representative Balkcom offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted. This amendment changes the title.

Representative Morey offers Amendment No. 2.

Representative Morey withdraws Amendment No. 2.

Representative Greene offers Amendment No. 3 which is adopted.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (107-1), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representative John requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (108-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 by Special Message.

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Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Brisson, that the House adjourn at 6:37 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, and in honor and memory of former Member Dewey L. Hill, Sr., to reconvene Thursday, June 29 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Kevin Crutchfield:

**CONGRATULATING CAPTAIN KEVIN PFISTER
ON HIS RETIREMENT**

WHEREAS, Kevin Pfister began his law enforcement career with the Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office in 1995 as a patrol officer and later joined the Community Policing Division; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, Kevin Pfister was promoted to the rank of detective in the Criminal Investigations Division during which time he also served as a Cold Case Detective; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Kevin Pfister was promoted to Detective Sergeant in the Criminal Investigations Division; in 2018, he was promoted to Detective Lieutenant and served as supervisor of the Criminal Investigations Divisions; and in 2020, he was promoted to Captain of the Professional Standards Division; and

WHEREAS, Captain Pfister successfully completed the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association Trilogy Course and graduated from the North Carolina Justice Academy's Police Law Institute and CPCC's Public Safety Leadership Academy; and

WHEREAS, Captain Pfister currently serves as the Professional Standards Captain for the Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office, where he oversees the day-to-day operations of community outreach, body worn and fleet cameras, internal affairs, agency policy and procedures, public records requests, off-duty and secondary employment, agency fleet, and chaplains. In addition, he oversees the operations of the Drone Unit and Honor Guard; and

WHEREAS, after serving as a law enforcement officer for over 28 years, Captain Pfister has decided to retire;

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NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to congratulate Captain Kevin Pfister on his retirement from the Cabarrus County Sheriff's Office and to extend gratitude for his many years of dedication as a law enforcement officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 28th day of June, 2023.

S/ Representative Kevin Crutchfield
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 154** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AVERY COUNTY TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX IN A TAX DISTRICT COMPRISING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF INDIAN TRAIL, A PORTION OF THE TOWN OF STALLINGS, AND UNION COUNTY TO EACH LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX, IF APPROVED IN A REFERENDUM, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Finance and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
June 28, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 411 House Committee Substitute (4th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO EDUCATION LAWS.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Messages are received from the Senate:

H.B. 75 (Committee Substitute), 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, is returned for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1.

On motion of the Chair, the bill with unengrossed Senate Amendment No. 1 is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 145 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE CONTINUING CARE RETIREMENT COMMUNITIES ACT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 234 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE ASSESSORS TO PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF CERTAIN INFORMATION RELATED TO THE REVALUATION OF REAL PROPERTY, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 345 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ALARM SYSTEMS LICENSING ACT AND TO MODIFY THE MACHINERY ACT OF NORTH CAROLINA, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 386 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORTHWEST TO AMEND ITS CHARTER TO ESTABLISH RESIDENCY DISTRICTS, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 750 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BRUNSWICK REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER SANITARY DISTRICT SHALL BE ELECTED AT LARGE FROM FIVE RESIDENCY DISTRICTS, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

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EIGHTY-SEVENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, June 29, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Olwen Blessing, General Assembly Enrolling Clerk.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of June 28 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

**THE RECEIVING OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, AND
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Roy Cooper
Governor

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The Honorable Tim Moore
Speaker of the House
16 W. Jones Street, Room 2304
Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

Dear Speaker Moore:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 7A-45.1(a10), I am pleased to nominate the following individual as Special Superior Court judge:

- Jocelyn Mitnaul Mallette to fill the vacancy created on December 30, 2021.

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With this letter, I withdraw my prior nomination to fill this vacancy and submit Ms. Mitnaul Mallette's name for confirmation by the General Assembly by joint resolution.

I am grateful for Ms. Mitnaul Mallette's 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
Governor

The letter is on file in the Office of the House Principal Clerk.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 45, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS AND CERTIFIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONALS.

S.B. 135, AN ACT TO PREVENT PERSONS FROM USING A TITLE OR ABBREVIATION INDICATING THE QUALIFICATION AS A REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN REGISTERED WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD.

S.B. 507, AN ACT TO ALLOW STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN CHIROPRACTIC PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SERVICES UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION.

S.B. 722, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITIES IN CHILD CARE TO ADDRESS THE WORKFORCE SHORTAGE BY RECOGNIZING THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE (CDA) CREDENTIAL IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION.

H.B. 181, AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION STATUTES AND WAIVING FEES FOR ESTATE ADMINISTRATION LIMITED TO CERTAIN PROPERTIES HELD IN THE ESCHEAT FUND, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER.

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H.B. 203, AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER.

H.B. 628, AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTES GOVERNING ON-SITE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS, TO MAKE CERTAIN NC ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD CHANGES, TO DIRECT THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL TO CREATE AN ON-SITE WASTEWATER EXISTING SYSTEM AFFIDAVIT, TO MAKE CERTAIN WASTEWATER ELECTRICAL CHANGES, TO MAKE CERTAIN CHANGES TO PRIVATE DRINKING WATER WELL BUILDING INSPECTION AND INSTALLATION, TO PROHIBIT FORCED SEWER CONNECTIONS IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, AND TO ESTABLISH A REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATION UNDER THE STATE BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST EXAMINERS.

H.B. 782, AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODE EXCLUSION FOR TEMPORARY MOTION PICTURE, TELEVISION, AND THEATER STAGE SETS AND SCENERY TO EXEMPT THEM FROM USE AND OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATION UNDER THE CODE; TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH AN APPROVAL PROCESS FOR RADON PROFICIENCY PROGRAMS; AND TO PROVIDE THAT EVIDENCE OF A LICENSEE HAVING MAINTAINED A LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES FOR AT LEAST FIFTEEN YEARS SHALL BE ACCEPTED AS EXPERIENCE FOR PLUMBING AND HEATING QUALIFICATIONS BY THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PLUMBING, HEATING, AND FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS.

H.B. 808, AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS.

H.B. 814, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT AND OTHER PROVISIONS GOVERNING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

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SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Messages are received from the Senate:

H.B. 125 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICEMEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO ALLOW THE GRANTING OF AN INTERNATIONALLY-TRAINED PHYSICIAN EMPLOYEE LICENSE; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE AIDE I EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS, TO ADDRESS THE VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED UPON THE REQUEST OF A HOSPITAL, TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO MODERNIZE AND EXPAND PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE; AND TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION, is returned for concurrence in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 447 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY VARIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LAWS, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 600 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, is returned for concurrence in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

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Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 10:24 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, July 3, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 409**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATERCRAFT, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 3 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 492** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS CONCERNING ADULT CORRECTION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ADULT CORRECTION, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 3 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
June 29, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 195 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
June 29, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 452 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
June 29, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 615 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTees TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN JUVENILE MATTERS, AND GUARDIAN AD LITEM APPOINTMENT FOR UNEMANCIPATED MINORS.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Messages are received from the Senate:

H.B. 5 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

The Speaker rules the Senate committee substitute bill to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the material Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 184 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY, TO PROHIBIT THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY FROM ADOPTING OR RENEWING OR EXTENDING ANY MORATORIA ON ANY DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL, AND TO EXPAND THE PROHIBITIONS ON DOWN-ZONING PROPERTY IN MAGGIE VALLEY, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 201 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE DISABILITY INCOME PLAN, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER, is returned for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill with unengrossed Senate Amendment No. 1 is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 267 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF HOLLY SPRINGS AND TO

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ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON ANNEXATION BY THE TOWN OF LELAND, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 378 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS MAY BE CONDUCTED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, CLERK OF COURT, OR A THIRD-PARTY VENDOR FOR FIREFIGHTER APPLICANTS AND CURRENT MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN RESIDENTS OF THE STATE FOR FIVE OR MORE YEARS, PROVIDING THAT THE FIREFIGHTER CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK REQUIREMENT SHALL NOT APPLY TO JUNIOR MEMBER APPLICANTS AND CURRENT MEMBERS UNDER EIGHTEEN, AND CLARIFYING THAT CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS ARE REQUIRED FOR FIREFIGHTERS PRIOR TO OFFERING THE POSITION, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 397 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE TO LEASE CERTAIN PROPERTIES FOR A TERM OF MORE THAN TEN YEARS WITHOUT TREATING IT AS A SALE, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 219 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING CHARTER SCHOOLS, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 193 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

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OF THE COURTS AND TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING AND ENTERING OF A BUILDING WITH INTENT TO COMMIT A FELONY OR LARCENY AND AMEND THE CONDITIONS THAT RESULT IN A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION BEING DENIED, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

H.B. 57 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR EVEN-YEAR ELECTIONS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE TOWNS OF HARMONY AND LOVE VALLEY, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12.

S.B. 754, 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, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bill is properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 190, AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL, CONFORMING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO LAWS PERTAINING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO SESSION LAW 2023-14. (S.L. 2023-65)

The House stands adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

EIGHTY-EIGHTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, July 3, 2023

July 3, 2023

The House meets at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Paré.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, over the last few days and through this week we are celebrating our nation's birth - our Founding Fathers were wise and visionary and had suffered tremendously before they came to our new land and were seeking a country built on the principles of the Bible. Today, we Legislators of the North Carolina House sit and govern here for the people in our State. I pray that You will help us to remember with every vote we take that You have given us this great and free state and country, unlike any other in the world. Help us, like our forefathers did, to seek and uphold Your guidance, claim You as the Almighty God, and humble ourselves before You and You will heal our land. In Your precious Name I pray. Amen."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of June 29 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

The Speaker grants a leave of absence to the Principal Clerk.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 49, AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN.

S.B. 91, AN ACT AMENDING RULE 4 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE TO ALLOW ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE USING AN OFFICIAL FORM, TO MAKE STREET TAKEOVERS UNLAWFUL, TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO COURTROOM PROCEDURES, AND TO ALLOW FOR EVEN-YEAR ELECTIONS FOR CERTAIN SANITARY DISTRICT BOARDS, AND TO MAKE AN ABC TECHNICAL CORRECTION.

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S.B. 195, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

H.B. 173, AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER'S BANKING OPERATIONS AND INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER.

H.B. 387, AN ACT TO CREATE THE MEDAL OF VALOR AWARD FOR FIRST RESPONDERS.

H.B. 484, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE LAW PERTAINING TO THE RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION BY MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS TO CONFORM TO FEDERAL REGULATIONS.

H.B. 674, 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.

The following bills are properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 78, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF OAK ISLAND TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ANY ON-STREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED.

H.B. 419, AN ACT TO REVISE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF YOUNGSVILLE.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 364, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE FINANCING, WITHOUT APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE GENERAL FUND OR THE STATE CAPITAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE FUND, OF CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS OF THE CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS

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OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF PERSONAL PROPERTY BETWEEN CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA. (S.L. 2023-66)

H.B. 455, AN ACT TO EXPEDITE TRANSFER OF WATER OR WASTEWATER PUBLIC UTILITIES. (S.L. 2023-67)

H.B. 608, AN ACT TO CHANGE ELEVATOR SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE ACCORDINGLY. (S.L. 2023-68)

H.B. 192, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE WILDLIFE LAWS, AS REQUESTED BY THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION. (S.L. 2023-69)

H.B. 168, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE STATUTES GOVERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT. (S.L. 2023-70)

S.B. 626, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN TRAFFICKING COMMISSION, AND TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO RIOTING. (S.L. 2023-71)

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative White, that the House adjourn at 9:34 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, July 6 at 11:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 193**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR ALL MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Education - K-12 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

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EIGHTY-NINTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, July 6, 2023

The House meets at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, thank You for this week, a time to do our pro forma duty, a time to be with constituents, a time to be with family and friends. Help us to remember as the old hymn reminds us, 'Because You live, we can face tomorrow, because You live, all fear is gone, because we know who holds the future. Life is worth the living just because You live.' He, Jesus, lives today! In His Name I pray. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Paré, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of July 3 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

The Speaker grants a leave of absence to the Principal Clerk.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Ella Moran and Esme Moran.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 574, "AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS."

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"We don't need politicians inflaming their political culture wars by making broad, uninformed decisions about an extremely small number of vulnerable children that are already handled by a robust system that relies on parents, schools and sports organizations. Republican governors in other states have vetoed similar bills because they hurt their states' reputation and economy and because they are neither fair nor needed.

"Therefore, I veto the bill."

S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House on this the 5th day of July 2023, at 1:03 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12, 2023.

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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 808, "AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS."

"A doctor's office is no place for politicians, and North Carolina should continue to let parents and medical professionals make decisions about the best way to offer gender care for their children. Ordering doctors to stop following approved medical protocols sets a troubling precedent and is dangerous for vulnerable youth and their mental health. The government should not make itself both the parent and the doctor.

"Therefore, I veto the bill."

S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

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The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House on this the 5th day of July 2023, at 1:04 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12, 2023.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
July 6, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 49 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on July 5, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 49, "AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN."

"Parents are the most essential educators for their children and their involvement must be encouraged, but this bill will scare teachers into silence by injecting fear and uncertainty into classrooms. This 'Don't Say Gay' bill also hampers the important and sometimes lifesaving role of educators as

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trusted advisers when students have nowhere else to turn. The rights of parents are well established in state law, so instead of burdening schools with their political culture wars, legislators should help them with better teacher pay and more investments in students.

"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 5 day of July 2023, at 12:59 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 78, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF OAK ISLAND TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ANY ON-STREET PARKING IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED. (S.L. 2023-72)

H.B. 419, AN ACT TO REVISE AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF YOUNGSVILLE. (S.L. 2023-73)

Representative Paré moves, seconded by Representative Penny, that the House adjourn at 11:10 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, July 10, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

NINETIETH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, July 10, 2023

The House meets at 3:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Paré.

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The following prayer is offered by Representative Mike Clampitt:

"Lord, You know my heart is broken and hurting from Tara's actions. Let me be slow to anger and quick to forgive her. As You have cleansed my soul of sin, lifted my burdens, and I attempt to follow You, let me forgive her in the actions as You have done for me. You are my salvation and my strength, You guide my way, guard my tongue in the words I say. I lift You up and give You the credit, glory, and praise You deserve - that all things are possible. I am humbled for Your blessings, and in Your Son's Name, Jesus Christ, I pray. Amen."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of July 6 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 488, "AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS."

"This bill stops important work to make home construction safer from disaster and more energy efficient, and ultimately will cost homeowners and renters more money. The bill also imperils North Carolina's ability to qualify for FEMA funds by freezing residential building code standards. Not only does the bill wipe out years of work to make homes safer and more affordable, it also violates the Constitution by rigging the way rules are made.

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"Therefore, I veto the bill."

S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House on this the 7th day of July 2023, at 1:16 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12, 2023.

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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 618, "AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS."

"The North Carolina Constitution clearly gives the State Board of Education the oversight authority for public schools, including charter schools. This bill is a legislative power grab that turns that responsibility over to a commission of political friends and extremists appointed by Republican legislators, making it more likely that faulty or failing charter schools will be allowed to operate and shortchange their students. Oversight of charter schools should be conducted by education experts not partisan politicians.

"Therefore, I veto the bill."

S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House on this the 7th day of July 2023, at 1:17 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is placed on the Calendar of July 12, 2023.

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CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 790, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO THE NORTH CAROLINA INNOCENCE INQUIRY COMMISSION AND TO MODIFY VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. (S.L. 2023-74)

H.B. 813, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATING TO PRETRIAL RELEASE. (S.L. 2023-75)

H.B. 34, AN ACT ENACTING THE PROTECT THOSE WHO SERVE AND PROTECT ACT. (S.L. 2023-76)

H.B. 627, AN ACT TO DIRECT THE COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TO IMPLEMENT ITS ON-SITE WASTEWATER RULES DIFFERENTLY AND READOPT ITS RULES CONSISTENT WITH THAT IMPLEMENTATION. (S.L. 2023-77)

H.B. 605, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO ESTABLISH PEER-TO-PEER COUNSELING IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO CLARIFY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL PARTICIPATE IN THE ADOPTION OF POLICIES REGARDING PLACEMENT AND CONTENTS OF SCHOOL CRISIS KITS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, TO EXPAND LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS FROM ONLY TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS, AND TO EXPAND DATA COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS REGARDING SCHOOL SAFETY EXERCISES FROM ONLY TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS. (S.L. 2023-78)

S.B. 389, AN ACT TO ALLOW PERSONS SIXTEEN AND SEVENTEEN YEARS OF AGE TO GIVE OR DONATE BLOOD WITH WRITTEN PARENTAL CONSENT AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE MIDWIFERY STATUTES. (S.L. 2023-79)

H.B. 344, AN ACT TO MAKE REGULATORY CHANGES AND CREATE OVERSIGHT REQUIREMENTS TO THE DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICE REGULATION'S MENTAL HEALTH LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION SECTION. (S.L. 2023-80)

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S.B. 135, AN ACT TO PREVENT PERSONS FROM USING A TITLE OR ABBREVIATION INDICATING THE QUALIFICATION AS A REGISTERED VETERINARY TECHNICIAN REGISTERED WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA VETERINARY MEDICAL BOARD. (S.L. 2023-81)

H.B. 815, AN ACT TO ALLOW ONE CHILD OR SIBLINGS IN FOSTER CARE TO BE PLACED IN A FAMILY FOSTER HOME IF THE FOSTER FAMILY HAS FIVE BIOLOGICAL CHILDREN. (S.L. 2023-82)

S.B. 45, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELORS AND CERTIFIED CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADDICTIONS PROFESSIONALS. (S.L. 2023-83)

S.B. 507, AN ACT TO ALLOW STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN CHIROPRACTIC PRECEPTORSHIP PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SERVICES UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION. (S.L. 2023-84)

S.B. 246, AN ACT TO AMEND WHAT CONSTITUTES THE CRIME OF SECOND DEGREE TRESPASS TO INCLUDE ENTERING OR REMAINING ON THE CURTILAGE OF A DWELLING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF MIDNIGHT AND 6:00 A.M. (S.L. 2023-85) [Became law without the approval of the Governor.]

S.B. 171, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS RELATED TO PUBLIC SAFETY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY. (S.L. 2023-86) [Became law without the approval of the Governor.]

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Clampitt, that the House adjourn at 3:04 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, July 11 at 11:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 722, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FLEXIBILITIES IN CHILD CARE TO ADDRESS THE WORKFORCE SHORTAGE BY RECOGNIZING THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE (CDA) CREDENTIAL IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. (S.L. 2023-87)

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H.B. 181, AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION STATUTES AND WAIVING FEES FOR ESTATE ADMINISTRATION LIMITED TO CERTAIN PROPERTIES HELD IN THE ESCHEAT FUND, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER. (S.L. 2023-88)

H.B. 203, AN ACT MAKING TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS AND OTHER CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER. (S.L. 2023-89)

H.B. 628, AN ACT TO AMEND THE STATUTES GOVERNING ON-SITE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS, TO MAKE CERTAIN NC ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS CERTIFICATION BOARD CHANGES, TO DIRECT THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL TO CREATE AN ON-SITE WASTEWATER EXISTING SYSTEM AFFIDAVIT, TO MAKE CERTAIN WASTEWATER ELECTRICAL CHANGES, TO MAKE CERTAIN CHANGES TO PRIVATE DRINKING WATER WELL BUILDING INSPECTION AND INSTALLATION, TO PROHIBIT FORCED SEWER CONNECTIONS IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, AND TO ESTABLISH A REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATION UNDER THE STATE BOARD OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST EXAMINERS. (S.L. 2023-90)

H.B. 782, AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODE EXCLUSION FOR TEMPORARY MOTION PICTURE, TELEVISION, AND THEATER STAGE SETS AND SCENERY TO EXEMPT THEM FROM USE AND OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATION UNDER THE CODE; TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH AN APPROVAL PROCESS FOR RADON PROFICIENCY PROGRAMS; AND TO PROVIDE THAT EVIDENCE OF A LICENSEE HAVING MAINTAINED A LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING UNDER ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 87 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES FOR AT LEAST FIFTEEN YEARS SHALL BE ACCEPTED AS EXPERIENCE FOR PLUMBING AND HEATING QUALIFICATIONS BY THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PLUMBING, HEATING, AND FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS. (S.L. 2023-91)

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H.B. 814, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT AND OTHER PROVISIONS GOVERNING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY. (S.L. 2023-92)

H.B. 173, AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES TO LAWS RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER'S BANKING OPERATIONS AND INVESTMENT PROGRAMS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER. (S.L. 2023-93)

H.B. 387, AN ACT TO CREATE THE MEDAL OF VALOR AWARD FOR FIRST RESPONDERS. (S.L. 2023-94)

H.B. 484, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE LAW PERTAINING TO THE RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION BY MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS TO CONFORM TO FEDERAL REGULATIONS. (S.L. 2023-95)

H.B. 674, 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. (S.L. 2023-96)

S.B. 91, AN ACT AMENDING RULE 4 OF THE NORTH CAROLINA RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE TO ALLOW ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE USING AN OFFICIAL FORM, TO MAKE STREET TAKEOVERS UNLAWFUL, TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO COURTROOM PROCEDURES, AND TO ALLOW FOR EVEN-YEAR ELECTIONS FOR CERTAIN SANITARY DISTRICT BOARDS, AND TO MAKE AN ABC TECHNICAL CORRECTION. (S.L. 2023-97)

The House stands adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

NINETY-FIRST DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, July 11, 2023

The House meets at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

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The following prayer is offered by Representative Diane Wheatley:

"Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for giving us this day and the opportunity to serve that comes with it. Anoint us with wisdom and love so that the decisions we make and the actions we take will be pleasing to You. Guide and protect our President, our Congress, this Body, and local officials through our State. We also ask a special blessing on those who serve to protect us as first responders, law enforcement, and especially our military. Keep them and their families safe. Help them to discharge their duties with honor and wisdom. May this day and all that happens within it serve to further Your Kingdom both here on Earth and in Heaven. We humbly ask this in Your Name."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Clampitt reports the Journal of July 10 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Serving as Honorary Page for today is Sofia Gupta.

Representative Clampitt moves, seconded by Representative Cleveland, that the House adjourn at 11:20 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, July 12 at 2:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 447** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY VARIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LAWS, is withdrawn from the Calendar of July 12 and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

NINETY-SECOND DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, July 12, 2023

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The House meets at 2:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Abe Jones.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative D. Hall, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of July 11 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, A. Baker, Butler, Cotham, Davis, Goodwin, Howard, B. Jones, Lambeth, McNeely, Moss, Paré, Penny, Ross, Setzer, Carson Smith, and Watford for today.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Angie Aurisano, Carmen Aurisano, Addison Blackwell, and Archer Blackwell.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative Blackwell, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary 3:

S.B. 409, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATERCRAFT, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

Pages for the week of July 10 are introduced to the membership. They are: Kidan Abebe of Union; Owen Alford of New Hanover; Joah Briley of Pitt; Ximena Ceja-Reyes of Orange; Julian Goldberg of Durham; Brendan Higgins of Wake; Eva Jarvis of Forsyth; Worth Kelly of Wake; Avery King of Wake; Grayson Murphy of Cleveland; Tillie Noyes of Wake; Lorelai Palmer of Columbus; Mo Snipes of Gaston; Nigel Soden of Wake; Clara Tanner of Moore; and Keith Tillett, II of Cumberland.

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WITHDRAWAL OF BILLS FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, the following bills are withdrawn from today's Calendar and placed on the Calendar of July 19.

H.B. 488 (Ratified), AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

H.B. 574 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS.

H.B. 618 (Ratified), AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.

H.B. 808 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

H.B. 5 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS.

On motion of Representative Zenger, the House does not concur in the material Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (102-0), and conferees are requested. The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

H.B. 267 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF HOLLY SPRINGS AND TO ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON ANNEXATION BY THE TOWN OF LELAND.

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On motion of Representative Zenger, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (63-39), and the bill is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 57 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR EVEN-YEAR ELECTIONS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE TOWNS OF HARMONY AND LOVE VALLEY.

On motion of Representative Balkcom, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, and the bill is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 184 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY, TO PROHIBIT THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY FROM ADOPTING OR RENEWING OR EXTENDING ANY MORATORIA ON ANY DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL, AND TO EXPAND THE PROHIBITIONS ON DOWN-ZONING PROPERTY IN MAGGIE VALLEY.

Representative Pless moves that the House do concur in the Senate committee substitute bill.

On motion of the Speaker, the bill is temporarily displaced.

H.B. 397 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE TO LEASE CERTAIN PROPERTIES FOR A TERM OF MORE THAN TEN YEARS WITHOUT TREATING IT AS A SALE.

On motion of Representative Johnson, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, and the bill is ordered enrolled.

H.B. 125 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICEMEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO ALLOW THE GRANTING OF AN INTERNATIONALLY-TRAINED PHYSICIAN EMPLOYEE LICENSE; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE AIDE I EDUCATION AND

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TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS, TO ADDRESS THE VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED UPON THE REQUEST OF A HOSPITAL, TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO MODERNIZE AND EXPAND PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE; AND TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION.

On motion of Representative White, the House does not concur in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, by electronic vote (101-1), and conferees are requested. The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

Representative Harrison requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (102-0).

H.B. 193 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS AND TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING AND ENTERING OF A BUILDING WITH INTENT TO COMMIT A FELONY OR LARCENY AND AMEND THE CONDITIONS THAT RESULT IN A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION BEING DENIED.

On motion of Representative Stevens, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (84-18), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

Representative Ball requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "aye" to "no." Representative Carney requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (84-18).

H.B. 201 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE DISABILITY INCOME PLAN, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER.

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On motion of Representative Wheatley, the House concurs in the Senate amendment, by electronic vote (102-0), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 219 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING CHARTER SCHOOLS.

On motion of Representative Torbett, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (61-41), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 378 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS MAY BE CONDUCTED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, CLERK OF COURT, OR A THIRD-PARTY VENDOR FOR FIREFIGHTER APPLICANTS AND CURRENT MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN RESIDENTS OF THE STATE FOR FIVE OR MORE YEARS, PROVIDING THAT THE FIREFIGHTER CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK REQUIREMENT SHALL NOT APPLY TO JUNIOR MEMBER APPLICANTS AND CURRENT MEMBERS UNDER EIGHTEEN, AND CLARIFYING THAT CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS ARE REQUIRED FOR FIREFIGHTERS PRIOR TO OFFERING THE POSITION.

On motion of Representative Blackwell, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (102-0), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

H.B. 600 (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

On motion of Representative Riddell, the House does not concur in Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, by electronic vote (102-0), and conferees are requested. The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

H.B. 451, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE EXTENSION OF MUNICIPAL SERVICE DISTRICTS TO AREAS NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE SERVICE DISTRICT, passes its third reading, by the following vote, and is ordered sent to the Senate.

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Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Dahle, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Gill, Gillespie, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Hastings, Hawkins, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, Kidwell, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, Miller, Mills, Morey, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Shepard, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 102.

Voting in the negative: None.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, A. Baker, Butler, Cotham, Davis, Goodwin, Howard, B. Jones, Lambeth, McNeely, Moss, Paré, Penny, Ross, Setzer, Carson Smith, and Watford - 17.

H.B. 184 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY, TO PROHIBIT THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY FROM ADOPTING OR RENEWING OR EXTENDING ANY MORATORIA ON ANY DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL, AND TO EXPAND THE PROHIBITIONS ON DOWN-ZONING PROPERTY IN MAGGIE VALLEY, which was temporarily displaced, is before the Body.

The House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (61-40), and the bill is ordered enrolled.

Representative A. Jones requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (60-41).

CAUCUS LEADERS ANNOUNCED

Representative Logan announces the following caucus leaders:

Bipartisan Safety and Criminal Justice Caucus:

Representative Logan, Co-Chair

Representative Greene, Co-Chair

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Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Bell, that the House adjourn at 3:10 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, July 13 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **H.B. 125** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICEMEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO ALLOW THE GRANTING OF AN INTERNATIONALLY-TRAINED PHYSICIAN EMPLOYEE LICENSE; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE AIDE I EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS, TO ADDRESS THE VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED UPON THE REQUEST OF A HOSPITAL, TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO MODERNIZE AND EXPAND PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE; AND TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION: Representative Potts, Chair; Representatives White, K. Baker, and Sasser.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 563** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS, TO BAN HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS FROM SCHOOL GROUNDS, AND TO REGULATE THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF KRATOM PRODUCTS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Appropriations and re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

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The serial referral to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House remains.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 300** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ROCKINGHAM COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED WHOLLY OR PARTLY IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY TO PUBLISH REQUIRED PUBLIC NOTICES ELECTRONICALLY AND TO AUTHORIZE ROCKINGHAM COUNTY TO PUBLISH LEGAL NOTICES VIA THE COUNTY-MAINTAINED WEBSITE FOR A FEE, is withdrawn from the Committee on Finance and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Jon Hardister:

**HONORING THOMAS A. GIBBS FOR HIS SERVICE
ON HIS ONE HUNDRETH BIRTHDAY**

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Gibbs served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1942-46. During the war, he earned the rank of Staff Sergeant, serving in the Pacific theater on Mindanao, Green Island (a small atoll between Bougainville and New Ireland), Okinawa, and China; and

WHEREAS, after returning to civilian life Thomas A. Gibbs joined the family business, expanded into another, and raised a family with his wife of 72 years, Halie, who passed recently; and

WHEREAS, Greater Greensboro Detachment 260's founding Commandant Bill Moss happened upon Thomas A. Gibbs while organizing the War Memorial Foundation to build what has become the Carolina Field of Honor. According to Bill Moss, Thomas A. Gibbs became one of the first major donors for the project; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Gibbs has been a valued member and staunch supporter of Detachment 260. He made significant contributions to the Detachment hosting the National Convention in 2010. His support was instrumental in allowing the Detachment to host its first annual golf tournament, now in its 16th year. His team won the first tournament, and they played in every tournament until 2022. That tournament now raises \$100,000.00 annually. Thomas A. Gibbs has supported the Toys for Tots program and assisted the local Marine Corps Reserve Center in holding their Marine Corps Ball in 2021. His actions show his commitment to the mission and the needs of his fellow Marines;

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NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to honor Thomas A. Gibbs' service on his 100th birthday, whose actions are in keeping with the highest standards and traditions of the Marine Corps and the Marine Corps League.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 12th day of July, 2023.

S/ Representative Jon Hardister
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representatives Blackwell and Torbett, Chairs, for the Committee on Education - K-12:

S.B. 193, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR ALL MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **H.B. 5** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS: Representative Zenger, Chair; Representatives Paré and Howard.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **H.B. 600** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA: Representative Riddell, Chair; Representatives Zenger, Brody, Winslow, and Chesser.

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The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

The House stands adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

NINETY-THIRD DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, July 13, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Saine.

The following prayer is offered by McKenna Daley, Administrative Clerk for the Office of the House Principal Clerk.

"Dear Lord, thank You for this day. May we go forth with love in our hearts and in our actions. In Your Name we pray. Amen."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative White, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of July 12 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Representative White moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 10:03 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, July 17, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

H.B. 193, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS AND TO ALLOW FOR

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THE EXPUNCTION OF THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING AND ENTERING OF A BUILDING WITH INTENT TO COMMIT A FELONY OR LARCENY AND AMEND THE CONDITIONS THAT RESULT IN A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION BEING DENIED.

H.B. 201, AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE DISABILITY INCOME PLAN, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER.

H.B. 219, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING CHARTER SCHOOLS.

H.B. 378, AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS MAY BE CONDUCTED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, CLERK OF COURT, OR A THIRD-PARTY VENDOR FOR FIREFIGHTER APPLICANTS AND CURRENT MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN RESIDENTS OF THE STATE FOR FIVE OR MORE YEARS, PROVIDING THAT THE FIREFIGHTER CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK REQUIREMENT SHALL NOT APPLY TO JUNIOR MEMBER APPLICANTS AND CURRENT MEMBERS UNDER EIGHTEEN, AND CLARIFYING THAT CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS ARE REQUIRED FOR FIREFIGHTERS PRIOR TO OFFERING THE POSITION.

The following bills are properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 57, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR EVEN-YEAR ELECTIONS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE TOWNS OF HARMONY AND LOVE VALLEY.

H.B. 184, AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY, TO PROHIBIT THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY FROM ADOPTING OR RENEWING OR EXTENDING ANY MORATORIA ON ANY DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL, AND TO EXPAND THE PROHIBITIONS ON DOWN-ZONING PROPERTY IN MAGGIE VALLEY.

H.B. 267, AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF

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HOLLY SPRINGS AND TO ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON ANNEXATION BY THE TOWN OF LELAND.

H.B. 397, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE TO LEASE CERTAIN PROPERTIES FOR A TERM OF MORE THAN TEN YEARS WITHOUT TREATING IT AS A SALE.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 57, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR EVEN-YEAR ELECTIONS AND TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF ELECTED OFFICERS IN THE TOWNS OF HARMONY AND LOVE VALLEY. (S.L. 2023-98)

H.B. 184, AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY, TO PROHIBIT THE TOWN OF MAGGIE VALLEY FROM ADOPTING OR RENEWING OR EXTENDING ANY MORATORIA ON ANY DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL, AND TO EXPAND THE PROHIBITIONS ON DOWN-ZONING PROPERTY IN MAGGIE VALLEY. (S.L. 2023-99)

H.B. 267, AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF HOLLY SPRINGS AND TO ESTABLISH A MORATORIUM ON ANNEXATION BY THE TOWN OF LELAND. (S.L. 2023-100)

H.B. 397, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF LAKE LURE TO LEASE CERTAIN PROPERTIES FOR A TERM OF MORE THAN TEN YEARS WITHOUT TREATING IT AS A SALE. (S.L. 2023-101)

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following additional conferees on **H.B. 600** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA: Representatives Dixon and Wray.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

The House stands adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

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NINETY-FOURTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, July 17, 2023

The House meets at 3:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative White.

Prayer is offered by Representative Maria Cervania.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of July 13 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bill is properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 195, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS CONCERNING THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA. (S.L. 2023-102) [Became law without the approval of the Governor.]

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Cervania, that the House adjourn at 3:04 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, July 20 at 9:30 a.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the following bills are withdrawn from the Calendar of July 19 and placed on the Calendar of July 20.

H.B. 488 (Ratified), AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

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H.B. 574 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS.

H.B. 618 (Ratified), AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.

H.B. 808 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
July 17, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to your message received on July 12, 2023 that the House of Representatives failed to concur in **H.B. 600 Senate Committee Substitute No. 2 (6th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Sanderson, Chair
Senator P. Newton
Senator Rabon
Senator Johnson
Senator Craven

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

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NINETY-FIFTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, July 20, 2023

The House meets at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Timothy Reeder, MD.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative White, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of July 17 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

WITHDRAWAL OF BILLS FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, the following bills are withdrawn from today's Calendar and placed on the Calendar of August 7.

H.B. 488 (Ratified), AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

H.B. 574 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS.

H.B. 618 (Ratified), AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.

H.B. 808 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS.

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INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

Pages for the week of July 17 are introduced to the membership. They are: Michael Bailey of Johnston; Jacob Binder of Guilford; Logan Brown of Wake; Kavya Donepudi of Guilford; Ben Flynt of New Hanover; Connor Gamble of Wake; Travis Hawkins of Scotland; Caroline Howard of Pitt; Andrew Jones of Duplin; Anderson Meyer of Guilford; Iman Nazir of Wake; Peyton Smith of Carteret; Anthony Tortorici of Wake; Augustus Vansant of Beaufort; Mia Ventress of Wake; and Claire von Haefen of Wake.

Representative White moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 9:38 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, July 24, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

NINETY-SIXTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, July 24, 2023

The House meets at 3:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative White.

Prayer is offered by Representative Joe John.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Cervania reports the Journal of July 20 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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Roy Cooper
Governor

July 24, 2023

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE***House Bill 219, "AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING CHARTER SCHOOLS."***

"This bill allowing more students to attend failing charter schools risks their education and their future. The State Board of Education should continue to oversee the enrollment growth of charter schools to assure success. North Carolina should continue to cap the enrollment growth of low-performing charter schools until they can show that they improve student achievement. Finally, diverting local resources to build charter schools without clear authority on who owns them risks financial loss to county taxpayers who have no recourse.

"Therefore, I veto the bill."

S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House on this the 21st day of July 2023, at 1:22 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is placed on the Calendar of August 7, 2023.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 193, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS AND TO ALLOW FOR THE EXPUNCTION OF THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING AND ENTERING OF A BUILDING WITH INTENT TO COMMIT A FELONY OR LARCENY AND AMEND THE CONDITIONS THAT RESULT IN A PETITION FOR EXPUNCTION BEING DENIED. (S.L. 2023-103)

H.B. 378, AN ACT PROVIDING THAT CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS MAY BE CONDUCTED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, CLERK OF COURT, OR A THIRD-PARTY VENDOR FOR FIREFIGHTER APPLICANTS AND CURRENT MEMBERS WHO

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HAVE BEEN RESIDENTS OF THE STATE FOR FIVE OR MORE YEARS, PROVIDING THAT THE FIREFIGHTER CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK REQUIREMENT SHALL NOT APPLY TO JUNIOR MEMBER APPLICANTS AND CURRENT MEMBERS UNDER EIGHTEEN, AND CLARIFYING THAT CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS ARE REQUIRED FOR FIREFIGHTERS PRIOR TO OFFERING THE POSITION. (S.L. 2023-104)

Representative Cervania moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 3:04 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, July 27 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

NINETY-SEVENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, July 27, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, thank You that we have access to the Creator of the world through this prayer, the Creator of mankind. It is so humbling to know that those who believe in You have instant access to Your power, Your strength, Your forgiveness even when we stumble, and for unfailing love. Father, when we see the stars, the oceans, the mountains, and all in between and know that You created it all for mankind - how can You love us so much? Thank You so much for Your Son, Jesus, who died for our sins and rose again so we could have eternal life with You. What a plan. What an execution. In Your Son's Name we pray and thank You. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of July 24 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

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There are no excused absences for today.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bill is properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 201, AN ACT MAKING ADMINISTRATIVE AND CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, CONSOLIDATED JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE DISABILITY INCOME PLAN, AND TO OTHER RELATED STATUTES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER. (S.L. 2023-105) [Became law without the approval of the Governor.]

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Penny, that the House adjourn at 10:04 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, July 31, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

NINETY-EIGHTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, July 31, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, thank You for this new day and for each to come, just like in Eden on the first day. In Jesus' Name I pray."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Representative Paré, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of July 27 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Representative Paré moves, seconded by Representative White, that the House adjourn at 10:06 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, August 3 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

NINETY-NINTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, August 3, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Olwen Blessing, General Assembly Enrolling Clerk.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Winslow reports the Journal of July 31 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

THE RECEIVING OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, AND PAPERS ADDRESSED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR TO THE HOUSE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
20301 Mail Service Center • Raleigh, NC 27699-0301

Roy Cooper
Governor

August 3, 2023

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The Honorable Tim Moore
Speaker of the House
16 W. Jones Street, Room 2304
Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

Dear Speaker Moore:

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 7A-45.1(a10), I am pleased to nominate the following individual as Special Superior Court judge:

- The Honorable Quintin McGee to fill the vacancy created on July 1, 2023.

I hereby submit his name for confirmation by the General Assembly by joint resolution.

I am grateful for Judge McGee'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
Governor

The letter is on file in the Office of the House Principal Clerk.

WITHDRAWAL OF BILLS FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, the following bills are withdrawn from the Calendar of August 7 and placed on the Calendar of August 15.

H.B. 219 (Ratified), AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING CHARTER SCHOOLS.

H.B. 488 (Ratified), AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

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H.B. 574 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS.

H.B. 618 (Ratified), AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.

H.B. 808 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 32, **S.B. 677** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A LIMITED RIGHT OF ENTRY FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Judiciary 3 and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Representative Winslow moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 10:09 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, August 7, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

ONE HUNDREDTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, August 7, 2023

The House meets at 2:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.

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The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of August 3 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Easton Crutchfield, Maddison Crutchfield, Matthew Crutchfield, and Mayson Crutchfield.

WITHDRAWAL OF BILLS FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, the following bills are withdrawn from the Calendar of August 15 and placed on the Calendar of August 16.

H.B. 219 (Ratified), AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING CHARTER SCHOOLS.

H.B. 488 (Ratified), AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

H.B. 574 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS.

H.B. 618 (Ratified), AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.

H.B. 808 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS.

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Ward, that the House adjourn at 2:04 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, August 10 at 10:00 a.m.

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The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED FIRST DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, August 10, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Penny.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, as the Psalm says, thank You for giving us hills to climb and to lift our eyes up to You for You are always there to give the help we need. Because You made Heaven and Earth, You can and do always help us wherever we are and whatever we need. Thank You for being our keeper, preserving us from evil. Father, thank You for never failing those that lean on You. In Thy most precious Name I pray. Amen."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Winslow reports the Journal of August 7 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
August 7, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the message from the Senate on June 29, 2023 informing the House of Representatives that the Senate fails to concur in **S.B. 615 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION

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RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN JUVENILE MATTERS, AND GUARDIAN AD LITEM APPOINTMENT FOR UNEMANCIPATED MINORS, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Galey, Chair
Senator Daniel
Senator B. Newton

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

Representative Winslow moves, seconded by Representative White, that the House adjourn at 10:04 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, August 14, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.

The motion carries.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
August 10, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to your message received on July 12, 2023 that the House of Representatives failed to concur in **H.B. 125 Senate Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICEMEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO ALLOW THE GRANTING OF AN INTERNATIONALLY-TRAINED PHYSICIAN EMPLOYEE LICENSE; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE

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AIDE I EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS, TO ADDRESS THE VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED UPON THE REQUEST OF A HOSPITAL, TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO MODERNIZE AND EXPAND PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE; AND TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Sawrey, Chair
Senator Rabon
Senator Hise

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
August 10, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the message from the Senate on June 29, 2023 informing the House of Representatives that the Senate fails to concur in **S.B. 452 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Johnson, Chair
Senator Craven
Senator Britt
Senator Perry

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED SECOND DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, August 14, 2023

The House meets at 3:30 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Paré.

Prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative White, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of August 10 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Representative White moves, seconded by Representative Penny, that the House adjourn at 3:33 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, August 15 at 11:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

H.B. 5 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS.

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The Speaker dismisses the conferees and appoints the following new conferees: Representative Paré, Chair, and Representative Bradford.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 132**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE BERTIE COUNTY TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Finance and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **S.B. 452** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA: Representative D. Hall, Chair; Representatives Stevens, Setzer, and Tyson.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Jon Hardister:

CONGRATULATING THE EAST-WEST ALL-STAR GAMES AND THE NORTH CAROLINA COACHES ASSOCIATION COACHING CLINIC ON THEIR SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, in 1949, Coach Bob Jamieson of Grimsley High School and Smith Barrier, the Sports Editor of the *Greensboro Daily News*, founded the East-West All-Star Games to help finance the North Carolina Coaches Association Coaching Clinic. The games feature the best recent high school graduates from the Eastern half of North Carolina against the Western half. Coach Jamieson served as the Director of All-Star Games and Coaching Clinic from 1949 until 1986; and

WHEREAS, during that first year, the only sports played were football and men's basketball. In 1975, women's basketball was added to the All-Star Games and, in 1992, soccer for both men and women premiered. Currently, the games feature 36 football players and six coaches on each team, 16

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players and one coach on each of the four soccer teams, and 10 players and two coaches for each in basketball teams. There are also eight Certified Athletic Trainers and 17 certified game officials each summer; and

WHEREAS, the games are usually held during the third week of July in conjunction with the North Carolina Coaching Clinic. The games are played on consecutive nights beginning with the two basketball games on Monday. Soccer follows on Tuesday and football is on Wednesday. Beginning in 2023, the All-Star Football contest will move to December a week after the NCHSAA Playoffs conclude for the Class of 2024. The Game for the Class of 2023 will be played in July; and

WHEREAS, July 2023 marks the 75th anniversary of the East-West All-Star Games and the North Carolina Coaches Association Coaching Clinic; and

WHEREAS, the Greensboro Convention and Visitors Bureau estimates that the East-West All-Star Games and Coaching Clinic contribute over \$10,000,000 annually to the local economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to recognize the 75th anniversary of the founding of the East-West All-Star Games and the North Carolina Coaches Association Coaching Clinic and to congratulate the young men and women who have participated in the games as well as the coaches, trainers, and officials who have facilitated the games and clinics. It is also proper to extend best wishes to future All-Star Games and the Coaching Clinics.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 14th day of August, 2023.

S/ Representative Jon Hardister
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED THIRD DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, August 15, 2023

The House meets at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Wheatley.

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The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, in this record-breaking heat, we know You made all things and You give us respite as needed. Help us in our daily walk to be like a tree planted by the waters. Help us to bring forth fruit and strive to prosper in our relationship with You and sharing Your love with others. Bless this Legislative Body as we do the work for the North Carolina citizens and help us to constantly seek Your guidance. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Paré, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of August 14 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Representative Paré moves, seconded by Representative White, that the House adjourn at 11:05 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, August 16 at 9:30 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following additional conferee on **S.B. 452** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA: Representative Humphrey.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 447** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY VARIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LAWS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on the Calendar of August 16.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

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By Representative Mills, Chair, for the Committee on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform:

S.B. 747 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House stands adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, August 16, 2023

The House meets at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Mike Clampitt:

"Lord, as we start a new day, let us seek Your favor and guidance in all that is said and done in this day. Allow everyone to positively contribute to the benefit and good of those we serve. Lead our hearts and thoughts to a successful outcome. It is because we ask You, God, to give Your blessing on everyone in this House in their work capacity. We thank You for life, Your Son, and the opportunity to serve You. In my Savior Jesus Christ's Name I do pray. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative White, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of August 15 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

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A leave of absence is granted to Representative Alexander for today. Representatives Adams, Cotham, Lowery, Lucas, and Shepard are excused for a portion of the Session.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Michael Bailey, Nira Ilanchezhian, and Keith Kidwell.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 9:41 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representatives Bradford, Kidwell, Setzer, Wray, Howard, Ross, and Tyson, Chairs, for the Committee on Finance:

H.B. 563 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS, TO BAN HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS FROM SCHOOL GROUNDS, AND TO REGULATE THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF KRATOM PRODUCTS, with a favorable report as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, unfavorable as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 1, and recommendation that Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 132, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE BERTIE COUNTY TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The Speaker rules the House committee substitute bill to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

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The material House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 154 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AVERY COUNTY TO LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX IN A TAX DISTRICT COMPRISING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY AND TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF INDIAN TRAIL, A PORTION OF THE TOWN OF STALLINGS, AND UNION COUNTY TO EACH LEVY AN OCCUPANCY TAX, IF APPROVED IN A REFERENDUM, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The Speaker rules the House committee substitute bill to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

The material House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative D. Hall sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 512** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. The Conference Report is placed on today's Calendar.

BILL PLACED ON CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **H.B. 75** (Committee Substitute), 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, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on today's Calendar.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

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By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

H.B. 388 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE THRESHOLD FOR CASH CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES FROM FIFTY DOLLARS TO ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 466 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA TO ALLOW FOR THE USE OF TEMPORARY DWELLINGS ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY FOR THE DURATION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PERMANENT RESIDENTIAL DWELLING, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 132 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the material House committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of August 17.

S.B. 154 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the material House committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of August 17.

S.B. 747 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 579 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY THE REGULATIONS ON ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, AND TO PROHIBIT SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A MINOR, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, unfavorable as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

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House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on today's Calendar.
House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 678 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO: (I) REDEFINE "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AS "CLEAN ENERGY," TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM INCLUDES NUCLEAR RESOURCES AND FUSION ENERGY, AND TO ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (II) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (III) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; AND (IV) INCREASE THE ROOFTOP SOLAR LEASING CAP, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, unfavorable as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on today's Calendar.
House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 169 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH ANNEXED SATELLITE AREAS MAY BE REZONED BY MUNICIPALITIES LOCATED WHOLLY OR PARTLY IN DAVIDSON COUNTY, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 3, which changes the title, unfavorable as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

House Committee Substitute Bill No. 3 is placed on today's Calendar.
House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 754, 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, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill.

The House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 218 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE AND REORGANIZE THE GENERAL STATUTES RELATING TO SPOUSAL AND CHILD'S ALLOWANCE IN ESTATES AND TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO TREAT WILLS AND REVOCABLE TRUSTS ALIKE IN CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION, AND ADMINISTRATION WHEN A MARRIAGE IS DISSOLVED

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BY ABSOLUTE DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT AFTER EXECUTION OF THE WILL OR REVOCABLE TRUST, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill.

The House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 308 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNTING STATUTE TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN TIMING ELECTIONS AND EXTENSIONS, TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO PREVENT THE ABUSE OR MISUSE OF AUTHORITY GRANTED TO AN AGENT IN A POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND TO PROMOTE THE RIGHTS AND INDEPENDENCE OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE GUARDIANSHIP PROCESS AND TO IMPROVE JUDICIAL OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR GUARDIANS OF THE PERSON, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill.

The House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 477 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATIVE STATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY SELLERS THAT FILE COMPARABLE DISCLOSURES WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, AND TO MODIFY THE RIGHT OF A SHAREHOLDER OF A CORPORATION TO INSPECT THE RECORDS OF A SUBSIDIARY ENTITY OF THAT CORPORATION, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

The House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

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MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

On motion of the Chair and without objection, the Rules are suspended in order for the following resolution to be filed, receive its first reading, and be placed on today's Calendar.

A HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY OF INDIA AND URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CONTINUE EXPANDING ECONOMIC AND SECURITY TIES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND INDIA.

The resolution is filed and assigned the number **H.R. 896**.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

The following is introduced and read the first time:

By Representative Moore:

H.R. 896, A HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY OF INDIA AND URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CONTINUE EXPANDING ECONOMIC AND SECURITY TIES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND INDIA.

The resolution is placed on today's Calendar.

GUEST

The Speaker extends the courtesies of the floor to Taylor Loyd, Miss North Carolina.

The Speaker appoints Representative McNeely to escort her to the Well of the House.

REMARKS BY TAYLOR LOYD

Taylor Loyd, Miss North Carolina, is recognized to make brief remarks to the Body from the Well of the House.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

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H.R. 896, A HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY OF INDIA AND URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CONTINUE EXPANDING ECONOMIC AND SECURITY TIES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND INDIA.

The resolution is adopted, by electronic vote (116-0), and ordered printed.

H.B. 219 (Ratified), AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING CHARTER SCHOOLS.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote and the bill is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, and Zenger - 74.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, and Wray - 45.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

H.B. 488 (Ratified), AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.

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Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

Representative D. Hall calls the previous question on the motion and the call is sustained by electronic vote (75-43).

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote and the bill is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 78.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Crawford, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Morey, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, and von Haefen - 40.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

H.B. 574 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote and the bill is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones,

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Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 74.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, Brockman, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, and Willingham - 45.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

H.B. 618 (Ratified), AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote and the bill is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, and Zenger - 74.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan,

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Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, and Wray - 45.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

H.B. 808 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote and the bill is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 73.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, Brockman, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, and Willingham - 46.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

Representative Pierce requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (74-45).

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Davis sends forth the Conference Report on **H.B. 186** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING

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JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES, TO MODIFY THE SERVICE OF SUMMONS FOR JUVENILE PETITIONS, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR COURT-ORDERED EVALUATIONS FOR JUVENILES, TO CLARIFY MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, TO CLARIFY JUVENILE DETENTION TRANSFER, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE. Without objection, the Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on today's Calendar.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 542, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT MAKING OMNIBUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill.

Without objection, the House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

WITHDRAWAL OF BILLS FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **S.B. 477** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATIVE STATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY SELLERS THAT FILE COMPARABLE DISCLOSURES WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, TO MODIFY THE RIGHT OF A SHAREHOLDER OF A CORPORATION TO INSPECT THE RECORDS OF A SUBSIDIARY ENTITY OF THAT CORPORATION, AND TO STANDARDIZE THE EVIDENCE REQUIRED TO PROVE A DEBT STARTING AT THE POINT OF CHARGE-OFF, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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On motion of the Chair, **S.B. 308** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNTING STATUTE TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN TIMING ELECTIONS AND EXTENSIONS, TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO PREVENT THE ABUSE OR MISUSE OF AUTHORITY GRANTED TO AN AGENT IN A POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND TO PROMOTE THE RIGHTS AND INDEPENDENCE OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE GUARDIANSHIP PROCESS AND TO IMPROVE JUDICIAL OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR GUARDIANS OF THE PERSON, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, TO MODIFY AND CLARIFY PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE RETRIEVAL OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND PERMITS SURRENDERED PURSUANT TO AN EX PARTE, EMERGENCY, OR PERMANENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER, AND TO PROTECT MINOR VICTIMS OF AND WITNESSES TO CRIME, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 447 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CLARIFY VARIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LAWS.

On motion of Representative B. Jones, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (119-0), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative D. Hall moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute for S.B. 512

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 512, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, House Committee Substitute Favorable 5/30/23, submit the following report:

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The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 5/30/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 5/30/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S512-PCCS15370-RI-2.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: August 16, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Warren Daniel, Chair
S/ Bill Rabon
S/ Phil Berger

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Destin Hall, Chair
S/ Tim Moore

The Conference Report is adopted, by electronic vote (72-47), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

S.B. 754 (House 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 AND TO MAKE CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS.

Representative D. Hall offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (93-24), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill and unengrossed House Amendment No. 1 by Special Message.

H.B. 75 (Committee Substitute), 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.

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On motion of Representative Lambeth, the House does not concur in the Senate amendment, by electronic vote (102-15), and conferees are requested.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

H.B. 388 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE THRESHOLD FOR CASH CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES FROM FIFTY DOLLARS TO ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (92-27), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representatives Ball and Cervania request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "aye" to "no." Representatives A. Baker, Hawkins, and Tyson request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (93-26).

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

H.B. 466 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA TO ALLOW FOR THE USE OF TEMPORARY DWELLINGS ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY FOR THE DURATION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PERMANENT RESIDENTIAL DWELLING, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (117-1), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representative Morey requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (116-2).

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

S.B. 169 (House Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR VARIOUS LOCAL CHANGES.

Representative Humphrey offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (80-39), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Committee Substitute Bill No. 3 and unengrossed House Amendment No. 1 by Special Message.

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S.B. 218 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE AND REORGANIZE THE GENERAL STATUTES RELATING TO SPOUSAL AND CHILD'S ALLOWANCE IN ESTATES AND TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO TREAT WILLS AND REVOCABLE TRUSTS ALIKE IN CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION, AND ADMINISTRATION WHEN A MARRIAGE IS DISSOLVED BY ABSOLUTE DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT AFTER EXECUTION OF THE WILL OR REVOCABLE TRUST, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (118-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Davis moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

Senate Committee Substitute for H.B. 186

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on House Bill 186, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES, TO MODIFY THE SERVICE OF SUMMONS FOR JUVENILE PETITIONS, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR COURT-ORDERED EVALUATIONS FOR JUVENILES, TO CLARIFY MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, TO CLARIFY JUVENILE DETENTION TRANSFER, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE, Senate Judiciary Committee Substitute Adopted 5/31/23, submit the following report:

The House and the Senate agree to the following amendment to the Senate Judiciary Committee Substitute Adopted 5/31/23, and the House concurs in the Senate Committee Substitute, as amended:

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Delete the entire Senate Judiciary Committee Substitute Adopted 5/31/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H186-PCCS40515-CE-1.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: August 16, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Danny Earl Britt, Jr., Chair
S/ Warren Daniel
S/ Buck Newton

S/ Ted Davis, Jr., Chair

The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (94-25), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 114.)

Representatives Budd and Longest request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (96-23).

S.B. 542 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE OMNIBUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO AMEND THE DEFINITION FOR BAR AS IT RELATES TO PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION AND REGULATION, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO TRANSPORTATION LAWS.

Representative Hardister offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (117-2), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

S.B. 678 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO: (I) REDEFINE "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AS "CLEAN ENERGY," TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM INCLUDES NUCLEAR RESOURCES AND FUSION ENERGY, AND TO ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (II) MODIFY

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CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (III) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (IV) INCREASE THE ROOFTOP SOLAR LEASING CAP; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; AND (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (105-14), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representatives Carney and Lucas request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (107-12).

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 by Special Message.

CAUCUS LEADERS ANNOUNCED

Representative Bell is recognized and he reports that the Republican Caucus has reorganized and that Representative Hardister has resigned as Majority Whip and has been elected as Deputy Majority Whip. Representative Gillespie has been elected as Majority Whip.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

BILL PLACED ON CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, and without objection, **S.B. 308** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNTING STATUTE TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN TIMING ELECTIONS AND EXTENSIONS, TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO PREVENT THE ABUSE OR MISUSE OF AUTHORITY GRANTED TO AN AGENT IN A POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND TO PROMOTE THE RIGHTS AND INDEPENDENCE OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE GUARDIANSHIP PROCESS AND TO IMPROVE JUDICIAL OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR GUARDIANS OF THE PERSON, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA

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BAR ASSOCIATION, TO MODIFY AND CLARIFY PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE RETRIEVAL OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND PERMITS SURRENDERED PURSUANT TO AN EX PARTE, EMERGENCY, OR PERMANENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER, AND TO PROTECT MINOR VICTIMS OF AND WITNESSES TO CRIME, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on today's Calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 579 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY THE REGULATIONS ON ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, AND TO PROHIBIT SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A MINOR, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (118-1), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 by Special Message.

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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **S.B. 49 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

Pursuant to Article II, Section 22, of the North Carolina Constitution, the bill together with the objections and veto message are hereby delivered to your Honorable Body for reconsideration.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 49, "AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN."

"Parents are the most essential educators for their children and their involvement must be encouraged, but this bill will scare teachers into silence by injecting fear and uncertainty into classrooms. This 'Don't Say Gay' bill also hampers the important and sometimes lifesaving role of educators as trusted advisers when students have nowhere else to turn. The rights of parents are well established in state law, so instead of burdening schools with their political culture wars, legislators should help them with better teacher pay and more investments in students.

"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 5 day of July 2023, at 12:59 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Pursuant to Rule 44.2, the bill is placed on today's Calendar for immediate consideration.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Fairecloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson,

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B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Winslow, and Zenger - 72.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, Brockman, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, Willingham, and Wray - 47.

Excused absence: Representative Alexander.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 308 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE THE GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNTING STATUTE TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN TIMING ELECTIONS AND EXTENSIONS, TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO PREVENT THE ABUSE OR MISUSE OF AUTHORITY GRANTED TO AN AGENT IN A POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND TO PROMOTE THE RIGHTS AND INDEPENDENCE OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE GUARDIANSHIP PROCESS AND TO IMPROVE JUDICIAL OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR GUARDIANS OF THE PERSON, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, TO MODIFY AND CLARIFY PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE RETRIEVAL OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND PERMITS SURRENDERED PURSUANT TO AN EX PARTE, EMERGENCY, OR PERMANENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER, AND TO PROTECT MINOR VICTIMS OF AND WITNESSES TO CRIME.

Representative Carson Smith offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (94-23), and there being no objection is read a third time.

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Representatives Ball, Elmore, and Pike request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "aye" to "no." Representative Longest requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (92-25).

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

Pages for the week of August 14 are introduced to the membership. They are: Emma Barber of Henderson; Katelyn Batson of Pender; William Brown of Orange; Lillian Heidkamp of Mecklenburg; Akshita Jain of Wake; Helen McConnell of Wake; Anna McMillian of Robeson; Malaika Mokashi of Wake; Cecilia Morgan of Haywood; Lucy Morris of Durham; Elizabeth Pouliot of Wake; Sanjana Prabhakar of Guilford; Braxton Riley of Wayne; and Matthew Sun of Mecklenburg.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 747 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW.

Representative Ball offers Amendment No. 1 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (46-68).

Representative Ball offers Amendment No. 2 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (46-70).

Representative Buansi offers Amendment No. 3 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-70).

Representative Buansi offers Amendment No. 4.

REPRESENTATIVE D. HALL PRESIDING.

Amendment No. 4 fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-69).

Representative Cervania offers Amendment No. 5 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (46-70).

Representative Dahle offers Amendment No. 6 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-70).

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Representative Dahle offers Amendment No. 7, which is temporarily displaced.

Representative Dahle offers Amendment No. 8 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-70).

Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 9 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-68).

Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 10 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-69).

Representative John offers Amendment No. 11 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-70).

Representative Longest offers Amendment No. 12 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (46-71).

Representative Longest offers Amendment No. 13 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (46-70).

Representative Longest offers Amendment No. 14 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-69).

Representative Morey offers Amendment No. 15 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-69).

Representative Prather offers Amendment No. 16.

SPEAKER MOORE PRESIDING.

Amendment No. 16 fails of adoption by electronic vote (46-69).

On motion of the Speaker, the bill is temporarily displaced.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 9 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (4th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE APEX TOWN COUNCIL AND MAYOR TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS AND VOTE ON CERTAIN MATTERS REGARDING THE APPOINTEES FOR THE TOWN MANAGER, TOWN ATTORNEY, AND TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF APEX; TO FURTHER CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR FILLING VACANCIES ON THE GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO REQUIRE THAT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN HAYWOOD COUNTY AND MADISON COUNTY BE CONDUCTED ON A PARTISAN BASIS, and requests conferees. The President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Krawiec, Chair
Senator Berger
Senator Adcock

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The Speaker appoints Representative Hardister, Chair; Representatives Paré and Pless as conferees on the part of the House and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

H.B. 422 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT UNFAIR REAL ESTATE SERVICE AGREEMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Without objection, the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar.

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CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 747 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW, which was temporarily displaced, is before the Body.

Representative Prather offers Amendment No. 17 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (47-68).

Representative Mills offers Amendment No. 18 which is adopted by electronic vote (91-26).

Amendment No. 7, which was temporarily displaced, is adopted by electronic vote (113-3).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (69-47), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill and unengrossed House Amendments No. 7 and No. 18 by Special Message.

H.B. 422 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROHIBIT UNFAIR REAL ESTATE SERVICE AGREEMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE.

On motion of Representative K. Hall, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (117-0), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **H.B. 186 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE

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CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES, TO MODIFY THE SERVICE OF SUMMONS FOR JUVENILE PETITIONS, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR COURT-ORDERED EVALUATIONS FOR JUVENILES, TO CLARIFY MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, TO CLARIFY JUVENILE DETENTION TRANSFER, TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE, TO CREATE LAWS TO EVALUATE WHETHER A JUVENILE HAS THE CAPACITY TO PROCEED, TO MODIFY CERTAIN LAWS RELATED TO SECURE CUSTODY ORDERS, TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE LEASE EXPENSES, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO S.L. 2023-97.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 512 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

WITHDRAWAL OF BILLS FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **S.B. 132** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, is withdrawn from the Calendar of August 17 and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, **S.B. 154** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES, is withdrawn from the Calendar of August 17 and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **H.B. 219 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING CHARTER SCHOOLS, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor and the bill becomes law.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Hardister sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 9** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE APEX TOWN COUNCIL AND MAYOR TO MAKE

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APPOINTMENTS AND VOTE ON CERTAIN MATTERS REGARDING THE APPOINTEES FOR THE TOWN MANAGER, TOWN ATTORNEY, AND TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF APEX; TO FURTHER CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR FILLING VACANCIES ON THE GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO REQUIRE THAT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN HAYWOOD COUNTY AND MADISON COUNTY BE CONDUCTED ON A PARTISAN BASIS. Without objection, the Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on today's Calendar.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **H.B. 488 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor and the bill becomes law.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **H.B. 574 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor and the bill becomes law.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
August 16, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **H.B. 618 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor and the bill becomes law.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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August 16, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **H.B. 808 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor and the bill becomes law.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

CALENDAR (continued)

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Hardister moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute No. 2 for S.B. 9

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 9, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE APEX TOWN COUNCIL AND MAYOR TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS AND VOTE ON CERTAIN MATTERS REGARDING THE APPOINTEES FOR THE TOWN MANAGER, TOWN ATTORNEY, AND TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF APEX; TO FURTHER CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR FILLING VACANCIES ON THE GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; AND TO REQUIRE THAT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN HAYWOOD COUNTY AND MADISON COUNTY BE CONDUCTED ON A PARTISAN BASIS, House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/21/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 6/28/23, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/21/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 6/28/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

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Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/21/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 6/28/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S9-PCCS15374-BD-3.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: August 16, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Joyce Krawiec, Chair
S/ Phil Berger
S/ Gale Adcock

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Jon Hardister, Chair
S/ Erin Paré
S/ Mark Pless

The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (70-43), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 112.)

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Bell, that the House adjourn at 8:08 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, and in memory of Peggy Murray Telfair, to reconvene Thursday, August 17 at 11:45 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferee on **S.B. 615** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN JUVENILE MATTERS, AND GUARDIAN AD LITEM APPOINTMENT FOR UNEMANCIPATED MINORS: Representative Stevens, Chair.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

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A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Jeffrey C. McNeely:

CONGRATULATING TAYLOR LOYD, MISS NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, Taylor Loyd is an Iredell County native and the daughter of Ashton and Cinamon Loyd; and

WHEREAS, Taylor Loyd is currently a student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she is studying psychology and the arts; and

WHEREAS, Taylor Loyd was crowned Miss Statesville in November of 2022 and went on to be crowned Miss North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Taylor Loyd will be competing in the Miss America Pageant with a platform of "Healing Hearts through the Arts," which is her lifelong dream;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to congratulate Taylor Loyd on winning the Miss North Carolina Pageant and to wish her best wishes during the upcoming Miss America Pageant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 16th day of August, 2023.

S/ Representative Jeffrey C. McNeely
S/ Representative Mitchell S. Setzer
S/ Representative Grey Mills
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Kevin Crutchfield:

**CONGRATULATING THE CENTRAL CABARRUS
HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM ON
WINNING THE 3A BOYS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2023, the North Carolina High School Athletic Association held the 3A Boys basketball State championship game at the Reynolds Coliseum in Raleigh; and

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WHEREAS, the Central Cabarrus High School Vikings won the game after defeating the Northwood High School Chargers by a score of 65-51; and

WHEREAS, this State championship is the school's second State basketball championship in program history after previously having won the title in 2020; and

WHEREAS, over the last two seasons, the Vikings have distinguished themselves by winning 62 of their last 63 games, which includes a perfect record of 32-0 this season; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the Central Cabarrus High School basketball team have brought honor and distinction to the State of North Carolina generally and to Cabarrus County in particular;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to congratulate and commend the coaches and players of the Central Cabarrus High School basketball team on their outstanding record of performance and sportsmanship and to wish them success in their future endeavors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 16th day of August, 2023.

S/ Representative Kevin Crutchfield
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Donnie Loftis:

HONORING RODNEY RAY STEWART, JR.

WHEREAS, Rodney Ray Stewart, Jr., was born August 13, 1923, in Gaston County to a large family of eight children. In 1951, he married Dorothy Meek and together they had two children, Michael and Karen. He currently has four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Ray Stewart joined the United States Army during World War II, and after Basic Training at Ft. Jackson, SC, he became a tank crew member. Serving in the famed 2nd Armored Division commanded by General George S. Patton, 66th Regiment, F Company, landing on Omaha Beach, Normandy, on D-Day + 3. The Division traveled hundreds of miles engaging German forces, and he lost two tanks due to battlefield damage

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during the 1,000 mile push towards the Battle of the Bulge and then onto Berlin. Upon being Honorably Discharged, he earned and was awarded several Medals to include the Good Conduct Medal, the Victory Medal, five Campaign Ribbons, the Presidential Unit Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the French and Belgium Fourragere; and

WHEREAS, among his many accomplishments, Ray Stewart served as a Deacon and active member at East Baptist Church and was inducted into the American Legion Baseball Hall of Fame. He served as a member of the Gaston County World War II Last Man's Club Honor Guard for Service Members' funerals. Mr. Stewart has been Knighted by the US Cavalry & Armor Association and has received the Order of St. George Medallion at an official military ceremony at Ft. Benning, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, in July 2011, Ray Stewart was one of 100 North Carolina military veterans selected to represent each county at the North Carolina Veterans Park in Fayetteville. They had their hands cast in bronze and displayed on columns for future generations to learn about the price of freedom and about the veterans who came before them. When the film "Fury" was in production, he and his wife were flown to Hollywood and worked as a consultant with Actor Brad Pitt to ensure the movie scenes were as close to being realistic as possible in the movie;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to recognize Rodney Ray Stewart, Jr., as a member of the Greatest Generation and one of America's Heroes and to thank him for his service.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 16th day of August, 2023.

S/ Representative Donnie Loftis
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 9 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW THE APEX TOWN COUNCIL AND MAYOR TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS AND VOTE ON CERTAIN MATTERS REGARDING THE APPOINTEES FOR THE TOWN MANAGER, TOWN ATTORNEY, AND TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF APEX; TO FURTHER CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR FILLING VACANCIES ON THE GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; TO REQUIRE THAT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN MADISON COUNTY BE CONDUCTED ON A PARTISAN BASIS; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITIES OF GREENSBORO AND WINSTON-SALEM TO ESTABLISH A CIVIL SERVICE BOARD.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, August 17, 2023

The House meets at 11:45 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Wheatley reports the Journal of August 16 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

A leave of absence is granted to Representative Zenger for today.

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ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 512, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

S.B. 747, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW.

H.B. 186, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES, TO MODIFY THE SERVICE OF SUMMONS FOR JUVENILE PETITIONS, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR COURT-ORDERED EVALUATIONS FOR JUVENILES, TO CLARIFY MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, TO CLARIFY JUVENILE DETENTION TRANSFER, TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE, TO CREATE LAWS TO EVALUATE WHETHER A JUVENILE HAS THE CAPACITY TO PROCEED, TO MODIFY CERTAIN LAWS RELATED TO SECURE CUSTODY ORDERS, TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE LEASE EXPENSES, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO S.L. 2023-97.

H.B. 323, AN ACT TO RETAIN ADULT DEVELOPMENTAL AND VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.

H.B. 422, AN ACT TO PROHIBIT UNFAIR REAL ESTATE SERVICE AGREEMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE.

H.B. 447, AN ACT TO CLARIFY VARIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LAWS.

The following bills are properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

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S.B. 9, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE APEX TOWN COUNCIL AND MAYOR TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS AND VOTE ON CERTAIN MATTERS REGARDING THE APPOINTEES FOR THE TOWN MANAGER, TOWN ATTORNEY, AND TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF APEX; TO FURTHER CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR FILLING VACANCIES ON THE GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; TO REQUIRE THAT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN MADISON COUNTY BE CONDUCTED ON A PARTISAN BASIS; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITIES OF GREENSBORO AND WINSTON-SALEM TO ESTABLISH A CIVIL SERVICE BOARD.

S.B. 754, 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 AND TO MAKE CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 49, AN ACT TO ENUMERATE THE RIGHTS OF PARENTS TO DIRECT THE UPBRINGING, EDUCATION, HEALTH CARE, AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THEIR MINOR CHILDREN. (S.L. 2023-106) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

H.B. 219, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE LAWS AFFECTING CHARTER SCHOOLS. (S.L. 2023-107) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

H.B. 488, AN ACT TO REORGANIZE THE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL AND CREATE THE RESIDENTIAL CODE COUNCIL, TO AMEND VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND TO INCREASE THE PROJECT COST MINIMUM FOR APPLICABILITY OF GENERAL CONTRACTOR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS. (S.L. 2023-108) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

H.B. 574, AN ACT TO PROTECT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN ATHLETICS. (S.L. 2023-109) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

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H.B. 618, AN ACT TO CONVERT THE CHARTER SCHOOLS ADVISORY BOARD INTO THE CHARTER SCHOOLS REVIEW BOARD, TO SHIFT THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE CHARTERS FROM THE STATE BOARD TO THE REVIEW BOARD, AND TO CREATE A RIGHT OF APPEAL TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS. (S.L. 2023-110) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

H.B. 808, AN ACT TO PROHIBIT GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURES FOR MINORS. (S.L. 2023-111) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
August 16, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 579 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY THE REGULATIONS ON ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, AND TO PROHIBIT SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A MINOR.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

S.B. 176 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ENACT THE CONSUMERS IN CRISIS PROTECTION ACT AND TO EXPAND THE DEFINITIONS OF MINORITY BUSINESS AND HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS FOR PURPOSES OF PUBLIC CONTRACTS TO INCLUDE ESOP COMPANIES WITH MAJORITY OWNERSHIP BY MINORITY PERSONS OR SOCIALLY

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AND ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

GUEST

The Speaker extends the courtesies of the floor to Wyatt Mitchell.

Representative Wheatley moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 12:00 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, August 21, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 9, AN ACT TO ALLOW THE APEX TOWN COUNCIL AND MAYOR TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS AND VOTE ON CERTAIN MATTERS REGARDING THE APPOINTEES FOR THE TOWN MANAGER, TOWN ATTORNEY, AND TOWN CLERK FOR THE TOWN OF APEX; TO FURTHER CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR FILLING VACANCIES ON THE GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION; TO REQUIRE THAT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR ALL MUNICIPALITIES IN MADISON COUNTY BE CONDUCTED ON A PARTISAN BASIS; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITIES OF GREENSBORO AND WINSTON-SALEM TO ESTABLISH A CIVIL SERVICE BOARD. (S.L. 2023-112)

S.B. 754, 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 AND TO MAKE CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS. (S.L. 2023-113)

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Neal Jackson:

CONGRATULATING ENERGIZER ON ITS SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Energizer Holdings, Inc., is one of the world's largest manufacturers of primary batteries and portable lighting products and is a

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leading designer and marketer of automotive fragrance and appearance products; and

WHEREAS, Energizer Holdings, Inc., has operations in more than 40 locations and distribution in more than 140 countries, including its largest alkaline battery plant in Randolph County; and

WHEREAS, Energizer Holdings, Inc., recently announced a \$43 million expansion to its plant in Asheboro, adding an additional 143 jobs to its current workforce of over 400 employees; and

WHEREAS, the Asheboro Plant has been operating for 75 years and has made significant contributions to the economy of Randolph County; and

WHEREAS, numerous celebrations in Asheboro and Randolph County will take place this year to mark this momentous occasion;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to congratulate the Asheboro Energizer Plant on its 75th anniversary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 17th day of August, 2023.

S/ Representative Neal Jackson
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, August 21, 2023

The House meets at 3:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative White.

Prayer is offered by Representative Joe John.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Representative Penny reports the Journal of August 17 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

The Speaker grants a leave of absence to the Principal Clerk.

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 3:02 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, August 24 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, August 24, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, sometimes we just need to be reminded that, good or bad, everything that comes our way in our daily walk on this earth is not unintentional for those who walk with You. Lessons to be learned, humility to receive, forgiveness to share, are often the reasons life's mountains and valleys occur. Let us remember Psalm 107, 'Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men!' In Thy precious Name I pray. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Wheatley reports the Journal of August 21 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

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Representative Wheatley moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 10:21 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, August 28, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Jon Hardister:

HONORING ALAN MARSHALL FOR HIS SERVICE

WHEREAS, Alan Marshall's service to our nation and his community is worthy of recognition and commemoration; and

WHEREAS, Alan Marshall is a veteran of the United States Army, serving between 1972 and 1992 as a member of the Parachute Infantry Regiment and Special Operations Forces, which comprised of service to the 101st Airborne Division, 172nd Infantry Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division, and 1st SOCOM (United States Special Operations Command); and

WHEREAS, Alan Marshall unselfishly devoted himself to community service over a span of many years; and

WHEREAS, Alan Marshall served on the Pleasant Garden Long Range Planning Board from 2005 to 2011; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, Alan Marshall was elected to the Pleasant Garden Town Council and, since that time, has served continuously as a member of the Council; and

WHEREAS, Alan Marshall plans to retire from the Pleasant Garden Town Council at the end of his current term;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting and appropriate to express sincere appreciation to Alan Marshall for his service to the people of the United States and the residents of the Town of Pleasant Garden and to wish him best wishes upon his retirement from the Pleasant Garden Town Council.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 24th day of August, 2023.

S/ Representative Jon Hardister
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

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ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, August 28, 2023

The House meets at 3:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Wheatley.

Prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of August 24 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 186, AN ACT TO MODIFY THE TRANSFER PROCESS FOR JUVENILES WHO ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED CERTAIN FELONIES, TO MODIFY THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF CERTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING JUVENILES UNDER INVESTIGATION, TO MODIFY THE INTERROGATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN JUVENILES, TO MODIFY THE SERVICE OF SUMMONS FOR JUVENILE PETITIONS, TO CLARIFY THE PROCESS FOR COURT-ORDERED EVALUATIONS FOR JUVENILES, TO CLARIFY MINORITY SENSITIVITY TRAINING FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, TO CLARIFY JUVENILE DETENTION TRANSFER, TO MAKE VARIOUS TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE, TO CREATE LAWS TO EVALUATE WHETHER A JUVENILE HAS THE CAPACITY TO PROCEED, TO MODIFY CERTAIN LAWS RELATED TO SECURE CUSTODY ORDERS, TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE LEASE EXPENSES, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO S.L. 2023-97. (S.L. 2023-114)

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H.B. 323, AN ACT TO RETAIN ADULT DEVELOPMENTAL AND VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS. (S.L. 2023-115)

H.B. 447, AN ACT TO CLARIFY VARIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER LAWS. (S.L. 2023-116)

H.B. 422, AN ACT TO PROHIBIT UNFAIR REAL ESTATE SERVICE AGREEMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE. (S.L. 2023-117)

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Penny, that the House adjourn at 3:04 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Friday, September 1 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 492** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS CONCERNING ADULT CORRECTION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ADULT CORRECTION, is withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary 3 and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED NINTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, September 1, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative White.

Prayer is offered by Representative Joe John.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of August 28 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the message from the Senate on August 16, 2023 informing the House of Representatives that the Senate fails to concur in **S.B. 579 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY THE REGULATIONS ON ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, AND TO PROHIBIT SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A MINOR, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator B. Newton, Chair
Senator Daniel
Senator Britt
Senator Galey

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 10:03 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 132** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on the Calendar of September 5.

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On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 749** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES, is withdrawn from the Committee on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, September 5, 2023

The House meets at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Mike Clampitt:

"Lord, as we start a new day, give us the courage and strength to do Your will. Help us to make the difficult decisions that are pleasing to You and protect us from those that desire to harm us. May we be an example to others in praising You, worshiping You in all our actions and deeds. In Your Son Jesus Christ's Name and my Savior, I offer this prayer. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Wheatley reports the Journal of September 1 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, Davis, Lowery, Moss, Pierce, Ross, Rudow, Setzer, Shepard, Tyson, and Watford for today.

Serving as Honorary Page for today is Kathryn McCarn.

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GUEST

The Speaker extends the courtesies of the floor to former Member Arthur Williams.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 9:52 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 2:30 p.m.

RECESS**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 429 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE QUALIFYING INCOME THRESHOLD FOR EXEMPTION FROM CHARITABLE SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS AND TO MODIFY THE DEADLINES FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 531, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DAM SAFETY LAW TO ALLOW PHASED COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 154 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, unfavorable as to material House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

The Speaker rules House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), material House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Calendar. Material House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

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S.B. 274 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HOME ASSISTANCE SERVICES FROM HOME CARE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill.

The House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 492 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS CONCERNING ADULT CORRECTION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ADULT CORRECTION, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill.

Without objection, the House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

S.B. 132 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, passes its second reading, by the following vote, and is placed on the Calendar of September 13.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, A. Baker, K. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Dahle, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gill, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall,

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Hardister, Harris, Hastings, Hawkins, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Carson Smith, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 106.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Autry and Harrison - 2.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Davis, Lowery, Moss, Pierce, Ross, Rudow, Setzer, Shepard, Tyson, and Watford - 11.

S.B. 429 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE QUALIFYING INCOME THRESHOLD FOR EXEMPTION FROM CHARITABLE SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS AND TO MODIFY THE DEADLINES FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (108-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 531, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DAM SAFETY LAW TO ALLOW PHASED COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW.

On motion of the Chair, the bill is withdrawn from today's Calendar and placed on the Calendar of September 13.

S.B. 274 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO STUDY THE ARRAY OF SERVICES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT OLDER ADULTS IN NORTH CAROLINA WHO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY AND TO REPORT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (107-2), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

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S.B. 492 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS CONCERNING ADULT CORRECTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (107-2), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

WITHDRAWAL OF BILL FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **S.B. 132** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, is withdrawn from the Calendar of September 13 and placed on the Calendar of September 12.

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Dixon, that the House adjourn at 4:10 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, September 7 at 11:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 154** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES, is placed on the Calendar of September 12.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Mike Clampitt:

HONORING CAPTAIN BRIAN A. LEOPARD

WHEREAS, Brian Leopard has had a distinguished career in law enforcement. In 1993, he began his career with the Macon County Sheriff's Office and was assigned as a patrol deputy until 2000, when he was promoted to the Multiple Agency Narcotics Unit Commander and supervised narcotics investigations in Macon, Clay, and Cherokee counties. In December 2002, he was then promoted to Chief Detective at the Macon County Sheriff's Office, where he remained until October 2012. While at the Macon County Sheriff's Office, he had the excellent opportunity to attend the FBI National Academy and graduated on December 10, 2004; and

WHEREAS, in January 2013, Brian Leopard began working for the Swain County Sheriff's Office as a lieutenant before being promoted to

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Captain. During Captain Leopard's time at the Swain County Sheriff's Office, he was primarily assigned to work drug investigations and was a Task Force Officer with the Drug Enforcement Administration for many years; and

WHEREAS, Captain Leopard was involved in many investigations where he was the case agent or co-case agent. As a result of these investigations, 494 defendants were found guilty in federal court during his last 10 years of service. He also worked closely with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in drug enforcement. His involvement in these matters enabled his team to earn three national High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) awards for Outstanding Drug Enforcement in Tribal Lands; and

WHEREAS, Captain Leopard worked with numerous agencies throughout his career. Some of his investigations involved notorious serial killers, including Eric Rudolph, Christopher Lunz, and Gary Hilton. Due to his expertise in these investigations, he appeared on television several times and commented on the Gary Hilton case for both Macon and Swain Counties and the Christopher Lunz case for Macon County; and

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2023, Captain Leopard checked off his final time with the Swain County Sheriff's Office, becoming the first Law Enforcement Officer in Swain County history to retire with 30 years of creditable service;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting and proper to congratulate Captain Brian A. Leopard on his retirement from the Swain County Sheriff's Office and to extend gratitude and appreciation to him for his many years of dedication as a law enforcement officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 5th day of September, 2023.

S/ Representative Mike Clampitt
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Ya Liu:

**HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF ZIJIE YAN,
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH
CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL**

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2023, Zijie Yan, an Associate Professor in the Department of Applied Physical Sciences at the University of North

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Carolina at Chapel Hill, was killed on campus in the Caudill Laboratories building; and

WHEREAS, Zijie Yan joined the faculty at UNC in 2019 and was the lead for the Yan Research Group. He was focused on nanoscience technology and was researching ways the technology could be used to improve drug delivery to human cells; and

WHEREAS, Zijie Yan was a native of Jingmen, China, and attended the Huazhong University of Science and Technology, where he received dual bachelor's degrees in Computer Science and Materials Science and Engineering in 2005, as well as a master's degree in Physical Electronics in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Zijie Yan obtained a PhD in Materials Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York, in 2011. He completed postdoctoral training at the University of Chicago from 2011-2015 and then served as an Assistant Professor at Clarkson University from 2015-2019; and

WHEREAS, Zijie Yan was beloved by his colleagues, many of whom considered him a mentor and a friend; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Norbert Scherer of the University of Chicago said the following about Dr. Yan, "Zijie absolutely as a young scientist was certainly on a great trajectory to become a dominant person in his field"; and

WHEREAS, Zijie Yan, at the age of 38, leaves his family, including two young children, to mourn his loss;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting and proper to express appreciation for the life and memory of Zijie Yan, who was a distinguished scientist and beloved North Carolinian and Tar Heel, and to extend sympathies to his family, friends, colleagues, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill for his loss.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 5th day of September, 2023.

S/ Representative Ya Liu
S/ Representative Julie von Haefen
S/ Representative Allen Buansi
S/ Representative Maria Cervania
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, September 7, 2023

The House meets at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Reeder.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Diane Wheatley:

"Dear Father, we thank You for this day and all the possibilities it provides. Grant that we may use it in service to the citizens of North Carolina. Guide us with Your Spirit in pathways that further Your Kingdom. May our thoughts and actions always be pleasing to You and at the end of the day, we ask that You give us rest, secure in the knowledge that, through it all, You have been with us. Amen."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of September 5 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bill is duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 429, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE QUALIFYING INCOME THRESHOLD FOR EXEMPTION FROM CHARITABLE SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS AND TO MODIFY THE DEADLINES FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representatives Bradford, Mills, and Willingham, Chairs, for the Committee on Alcoholic Beverage Control:

S.B. 527 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO CHANGE ELEVATOR SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL RENTAL ACCOMMODATIONS AND TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE ACCORDINGLY, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which

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changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill, and recommendation that the House committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Chair rules the House committee substitute bill to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

The material House committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Finance. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative Wheatley, that the House adjourn at 11:03 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, September 11, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 512 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on August 24, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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Roy Cooper
Governor

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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 512, "AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS."

"This legislation will hurt the effective and efficient use of taxpayer money by impairing the Governor's constitutionally required duty to execute the laws passed by the legislature. The bill interrupts the critical work of boards and commissions to protect public health, provide clean air and water, recruit new jobs, lower electric bills and more. Fundamentally it violates the separation of powers enshrined in the state Constitution. The courts have consistently rejected these legislative power grabs in *McCrorry v. Berger* and other cases. Legislative efforts to seize executive power are unconstitutional and damage vital state work.

"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 24th day of August 2023, at 3:55 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 747 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on August 24, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 747, "AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW."

"This legislation has nothing to do with election security and everything to do with Republicans keeping and gaining power. In working to erect new barriers for younger and non-white voters, many of whom use early voting and absentee ballots, this bill also hurts older adults, rural voters and people with disabilities. It requires valid votes to be tossed out if the post office delivers them even one minute after 7:30 p.m. on Election Day or if a computer rejects a signature. It encourages voter intimidation at the polls by election deniers and conspiracy believers. North Carolina has conducted fair and secure elections but this bill will block voters and their ballots unnecessarily.

"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 24th day of August 2023, at 3:55 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The House stands adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, September 11, 2023

The House meets at 3:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

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The following prayer is offered by Representative Joe John:

"On this 22nd anniversary of September 11th, when we commemorate the incredible heroism of the crew and passengers of Flight 93 who resolutely answered the heart-rending 'let's roll' call to action, when we honor the courage and dedication of the law enforcement officers, firefighters, and first responders at the Twin Towers, and when Members of this Chamber during this week are to consider truly significant decisions for the future of our State, I felt it appropriate to invoke the Prayer for Peace attributed to St. Francis of Assisi.

"May we bow our heads and pray:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand,
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.'

"These things we ask in Thy Name. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Wheatley reports the Journal of September 7 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to your message received on July 12, 2023, that the House of Representatives failed to concur in **H.B. 5 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Rabon, Chair
Senator Moffitt

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 32, **S.B. 636** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE OVERSIGHT OF HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Representative Wheatley moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 3:12 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, September 12 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, September 12, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

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Prayer is offered by Representative Donnie Loftis.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Clampitt reports the Journal of September 11 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Brisson, Brockman, Chesser, Crutchfield, Fontenot, Hardister, Hastings, Humphrey, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Moss, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Pyrtle, Saine, Sasser, Strickland, and Watford for today.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representatives Bradford, Setzer, Wray, Howard, Ross, and Tyson, Chairs, for the Committee on Finance:

S.B. 527 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE ALCOHOL LAWS OF THIS STATE, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, unfavorable as to material House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1, and recommendation that House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Material House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 10:11 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 2:00 p.m.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative Stevens, Chair, for the Committee on Judiciary 2:

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H.B. 22, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO LIMIT THE CONDITIONS OF DISCHARGE FROM THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THAT MAY BE USED BY A SHERIFF TO DENY AN APPLICATION FOR A CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Stevens sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 615** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTees TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN JUVENILE MATTERS, AND GUARDIAN AD LITEM APPOINTMENT FOR UNEMANCIPATED MINORS. The Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on today's Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

H.B. 893 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INSPECTIONS BY PRIVATE INSPECTORS OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE, with a favorable report as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, unfavorable as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

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Pursuant to Rule 36(b), Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Calendar. Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

S.B. 477 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATIVE STATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY SELLERS THAT FILE COMPARABLE DISCLOSURES WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, TO MODIFY THE RIGHT OF A SHAREHOLDER OF A CORPORATION TO INSPECT THE RECORDS OF A SUBSIDIARY ENTITY OF THAT CORPORATION, AND TO STANDARDIZE THE EVIDENCE REQUIRED TO PROVE A DEBT STARTING AT THE POINT OF CHARGE-OFF, with a favorable report as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2, which changes the title, unfavorable as to House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Calendar. House Committee Substitute Bill No. 1 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 615 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, AND THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CORRECTIONS TO THE NOTARY LAWS, TO UPDATE THE GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNTING STATUTE TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN

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TIMING ELECTIONS AND EXTENSIONS, TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO PREVENT THE ABUSE OR MISUSE OF AUTHORITY GRANTED TO AN AGENT IN A POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND TO PROMOTE THE RIGHTS AND INDEPENDENCE OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE GUARDIANSHIP PROCESS AND TO IMPROVE JUDICIAL OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR GUARDIANS OF THE PERSON.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

H.B. 432 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE PRINCIPAL LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS AND TO DEVELOP A PORTFOLIO-BASED ASSESSMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill.

Without objection, the Senate committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 3:17 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 3:45 p.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that Senator Rabon (Chair) has been removed as a conferee and Senator P. Newton (Chair) has been added as a conferee on **H.B. 5 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
September 12, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 274 House Committee Substitute (4th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO STUDY THE ARRAY OF SERVICES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT OLDER ADULTS IN NORTH CAROLINA WHO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY AND TO REPORT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, and requests conferees. The President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Perry, Chair
Senator Overcash
Senator Rabon

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 542 House Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE OMNIBUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO AMEND THE DEFINITION FOR BAR AS IT RELATES TO PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION AND REGULATION, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO TRANSPORTATION LAWS, and requests conferees. The President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Galey, Chair
Senator Barnes
Senator Corbin

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 678 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO: (I) REDEFINE "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AS "CLEAN ENERGY," TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM INCLUDES NUCLEAR

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RESOURCES AND FUSION ENERGY, AND TO ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (II) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (III) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (IV) INCREASE THE ROOFTOP SOLAR LEASING CAP; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; AND (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT, and requests conferees. The President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator P. Newton, Chair
Senator B. Newton
Senator Rabon

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 749 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS,

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AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the House committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of September 19. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

WITHDRAWAL OF BILLS FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **S.B. 132** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and placed on the Calendar of September 19.

On motion of the Chair, **S.B. 154** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and placed on the Calendar of September 19.

WITHDRAWAL OF CONFERENCE REPORT FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, the Conference Report for **S.B. 615** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN JUVENILE MATTERS, AND GUARDIAN AD LITEM APPOINTMENT FOR UNEMANCIPATED MINORS, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and placed on the Calendar of September 19.

WITHDRAWAL OF BILL FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **H.B. 432** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE PRINCIPAL LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS AND TO DEVELOP A PORTFOLIO-BASED ASSESSMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and placed on the Calendar of September 19.

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Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Dixon, that the House adjourn at 4:16 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, September 13 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **S.B. 678** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO: (I) REDEFINE "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AS "CLEAN ENERGY," TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM INCLUDES NUCLEAR RESOURCES AND FUSION ENERGY, AND TO ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (II) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (III) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (IV) INCREASE THE ROOFTOP SOLAR LEASING CAP; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; AND (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT: Representative Arp, Chair; Representatives K. Hall and Winslow.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 531**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DAM SAFETY LAW TO ALLOW PHASED COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW, is withdrawn from the Calendar of September 13 and placed on the Calendar of September 19.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 893** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INSPECTIONS BY PRIVATE INSPECTORS OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND TO EXPEDITE LOCAL GOVERNMENT APPROVAL OF SEALED COMMERCIAL AND MULTI-FAMILY BUILDING PLANS, is placed on the Calendar of September 19.

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On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 477** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATIVE STATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY SELLERS THAT FILE COMPARABLE DISCLOSURES WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, AND TO MODIFY THE RIGHT OF A SHAREHOLDER OF A CORPORATION TO INSPECT THE RECORDS OF A SUBSIDIARY ENTITY OF THAT CORPORATION, is placed on the Calendar of September 19.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

H.B. 542 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND LAWS GOVERNING THE CREATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF LIENS SECURING AMOUNTS OWED TO UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS AND HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS, TO STRENGTHEN REQUIRED NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS GIVEN BY ASSOCIATIONS TO APPRISE OWNERS OF THE DELINQUENCY AND POTENTIAL FILING OF A CLAIM OF LIEN, TO REQUIRE ALL FINES COLLECTED BY AN ASSOCIATION TO BE REMITTED TO THE CIVIL FINES AND FORFEITURES FUND, TO EXPAND OWNERS' ACCESS TO HOA RECORDS, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATIONS FROM COMPENSATING A MANAGING AGENT BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF FINES COLLECTED, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATION REGULATION OF PARKING ON PUBLIC STREETS OR ROADS, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATION ENFORCEMENT OF RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN LESSONS GIVEN ON THE OWNER'S PROPERTY TO A GROUP OF FIVE OR FEWER PERSONS, TO ALLOW CERTIFIED COPIES OF COURT-FILED DOCUMENTS TO BE RECORDED WITHOUT MEETING CERTAIN CONFORMING REQUIREMENTS OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN FORECLOSURE SALES TO BE CONDUCTED AT DESIGNATED PUBLIC LOCATIONS, TO EXPAND THE TIME ALLOWED FOR A SCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE TO COMMENCE, AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR REMOTE BIDDING AT A FORECLOSURE SALE, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

On motion of the Chair, the Senate committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Paré sends forth the Conference Report on **H.B. 5** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS. Pursuant to Rule 44(d), the Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on the Calendar of September 19.

The Speaker rules the Conference Report to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

The House stands adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, September 13, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, thank You for giving us Scripture in the Bible that tells us about love and what it does. If we love others, we are patient and kind, we don't envy or boast, and we don't act rudely. We don't promote ourself over our loved one and we maintain self-control. We rejoice in good over evil. We persevere, trust, hope, and endure. Father, this has been a difficult week for our citizens, our peers, our leaders. Help us to heal our relationships through Your love. In Thy Name I pray. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of September 12 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bill is duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

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S.B. 218, AN ACT TO UPDATE AND REORGANIZE THE GENERAL STATUTES RELATING TO SPOUSAL AND CHILD'S ALLOWANCE IN ESTATES AND TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO TREAT WILLS AND REVOCABLE TRUSTS ALIKE IN CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION, AND ADMINISTRATION WHEN A MARRIAGE IS DISSOLVED BY ABSOLUTE DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT AFTER EXECUTION OF THE WILL OR REVOCABLE TRUST, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION.

The following bill is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 169, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR VARIOUS LOCAL CHANGES.

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative Ross, that the House adjourn at 10:27 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, September 14 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Neal Jackson:

OBSERVING SEPTEMBER 17 - 23 AS CONSTITUTION WEEK

WHEREAS, the Preamble of the Constitution communicates the purpose of the Constitution and reads, "We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America"; and

WHEREAS, in 1955, the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) petitioned Congress to adopt September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by Congress and signed into law on August 2, 1956, by President Dwight D. Eisenhower; and

WHEREAS, the emphasis of Constitution Week is to (i) emphasize our responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution; (ii) inform people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life; and (iii) encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787; and

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WHEREAS, September 17, 2023, marks the two hundred and thirty-sixth anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention, and it is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion; and

WHEREAS, the members of North Carolina's more than 100 DAR chapters, including the Temperance Smith Alston Chapter in Pinehurst, have been actively encouraging North Carolinians to observe Constitution Week with such activities as flying the American flag and visiting appropriate websites to learn more about the Constitution;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is important to observe September 17 through 23, 2023, as Constitution Week and urge all North Carolinians to study the Constitution and reflect on the privilege of being an American with all the rights and responsibilities which that privilege involves.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 13th day of September, 2023.

S/ Representative Neal Jackson
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bill is properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 169, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR VARIOUS LOCAL CHANGES. (S.L. 2023-118)

The House stands adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED FIFTEENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, September 14, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

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Prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of September 13 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bill is duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 492, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS CONCERNING ADULT CORRECTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Penny, that the House adjourn at 10:05 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, September 18, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 429, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE QUALIFYING INCOME THRESHOLD FOR EXEMPTION FROM CHARITABLE SOLICITATION REQUIREMENTS AND TO MODIFY THE DEADLINES FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS. (S.L. 2023-119)

S.B. 218, AN ACT TO UPDATE AND REORGANIZE THE GENERAL STATUTES RELATING TO SPOUSAL AND CHILD'S ALLOWANCE IN ESTATES AND TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO TREAT WILLS AND REVOCABLE TRUSTS ALIKE IN CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION, AND ADMINISTRATION WHEN A MARRIAGE IS DISSOLVED BY ABSOLUTE DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT AFTER EXECUTION OF THE WILL OR REVOCABLE TRUST, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION. (S.L. 2023-120)

The House stands adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

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ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, September 18, 2023

The House meets at 3:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Penny.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Mike Clampitt:

"I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation [from His wrath and punishment] to everyone who believes [in Christ as Savior], to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

"For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed, both springing from faith and leading to faith [disclosed in a way that awakens more faith]. As it is written and forever remains, "The just and upright shall live by faith."

"Blessings in the reading of God's Word. In Your Son's Name and my Savior, Jesus Christ, I do pray. Amen."

(Romans 1:16-17)

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of September 14 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Clampitt, that the House adjourn at 3:03 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, September 19 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 770**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO VOTED BALLOTS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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CONFEREES APPOINTED

H.B. 149 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REMOTE CHARTER ACADEMIES, TO PROVIDE A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM, AND TO REQUIRE THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker dismisses the conferees and appoints the following new conferees: Representative Saine, Chair; Representatives Strickland, Chesser, Lowery, B. Jones, Pyrtle, and Lambeth.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **H.B. 770**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO VOTED BALLOTS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and re-referred to the Committee on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the Conference Report for **H.B. 5** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS, is withdrawn from the Calendar of September 19 and placed on the Calendar 36(b).

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
September 18, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the conferees appointed to resolve the differences arising between the two bodies on **H.B. 149 Senate Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR REMOTE

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CHARTER ACADEMIES, TO PROVIDE A ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM, AND TO REQUIRE THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM TO BE CONFIRMED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, have been dismissed.

The President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Jackson, Chair
Senator Hise
Senator Rabon
Senator Barnes

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, September 19, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Clampitt reports the Journal of September 18 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, K. Baker, Ball, Blackwell, T. Brown, Elmore, Gill, Hawkins, Howard, Loftis, Reives, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Torbett, Watford, Wheatley, and Winslow for today. Representatives Adams, Brockman, Cleveland, Cotham, Dahle, and Carson Smith are excused for a portion of the Session.

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On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 10:17 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 3:00 p.m.

RECESS

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative Mills, Chair, for the Committee on Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform:

H.B. 770, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO VOTED BALLOTS, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

On motion of the Chair and without objection, Rule 2 is suspended from September 20 through December 31, 2023 for any pro forma session preceding a same-day voting session. The effect of this motion is to convene session but delay the prayer and pledge, with administrative business proceeding during any recess.

Prayer is offered by Representative Jimmy Dixon.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

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H.B. 770 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CAST VOTE RECORDS, with a favorable report.

Without objection, the bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 189 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE FINE IMPOSED ON PERSONS CONVICTED OF TRAFFICKING IN HEROIN, FENTANYL, OR CARFENTANIL; TO MODIFY THE OFFENSE OF DEATH BY DISTRIBUTION TO INCLUDE THE UNLAWFUL DELIVERY AND INGESTION OF CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES THAT PROXIMATELY CAUSES THE DEATH OF A PERSON AND TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENTS FOR A PERSON WHO COMMITS THE OFFENSE OF DEATH BY DISTRIBUTION; TO ADD POSSESSION OF LESS THAN ONE GRAM OF ANY CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE TO THE LIST OF OFFENSES FOR WHICH LIMITED IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION APPLIES FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SEEKS MEDICAL ASSISTANCE; TO CREATE THE TASK FORCE ON ENFORCEMENT OF FENTANYL AND HEROIN DRUG VIOLATIONS; AND TO MAKE CERTAIN AUTOPSY LAW CHANGES, with a favorable report.

Without objection, the bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 409, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATERCRAFT, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill.

Without objection, the House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

H.B. 432 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO UPDATE PRINCIPAL LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS AND TO DEVELOP A PORTFOLIO-BASED ASSESSMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

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On motion of Representative Willis, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (98-4), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Davis moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute for S.B. 615

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 615, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN JUVENILE MATTERS, AND GUARDIAN AD LITEM APPOINTMENT FOR UNEMANCIPATED MINORS, House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/28/23, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/28/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/28/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S615-PCCS35308-CI-4.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: September 12, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Amy S. Galey, Chair
S/ Buck Newton

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Sarah Stevens, Chair

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The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (99-3), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 124.)

S.B. 132 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT, passes its third reading, by the following vote, and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the material House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, Balkcom, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Davis, Dixon, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Hastings, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Strickland, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, White, Willingham, Willis, Wray, and Zenger - 98.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Crawford, Dahle, Harrison, and Prather - 4.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, K. Baker, Ball, Blackwell, T. Brown, Elmore, Gill, Hawkins, Howard, Loftis, Reives, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Torbett, Watford, Wheatley, and Winslow - 17.

S.B. 154 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES.

Representative Bradford offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted by electronic vote (101-1).

Representative Setzer offers Amendment No. 2 which is adopted by electronic vote (102-0).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by the following vote, and remains on the Calendar.

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Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, Balkcom, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Davis, Dixon, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Lambeth, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Shepard, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Strickland, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, White, Willingham, Willis, Wray, and Zenger - 95.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Cleveland, Dahle, K. Hall, Hastings, Kidwell, Moss, and Setzer - 7.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, K. Baker, Ball, Blackwell, T. Brown, Elmore, Gill, Hawkins, Howard, Loftis, Reives, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Torbett, Watford, Wheatley, and Winslow - 17.

H.B. 893 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE INSPECTIONS BY PRIVATE INSPECTORS OF COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BUILDING CODE AND TO EXPEDITE LOCAL GOVERNMENT APPROVAL OF SEALED COMMERCIAL AND MULTIFAMILY BUILDING PLANS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (69-32), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representative Quick requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "aye" to "no." Representative Hardister requests and is granted leave of the House to be recorded as voting "aye." The adjusted vote total is (69-33).

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

S.B. 477 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATIVE STATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY SELLERS THAT FILE COMPARABLE DISCLOSURES WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, AS RECOMMENDED

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BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, AND TO MODIFY THE RIGHT OF A SHAREHOLDER OF A CORPORATION TO INSPECT THE RECORDS OF A SUBSIDIARY ENTITY OF THAT CORPORATION.

Representative John offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted. This amendment changes the title.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (101-1), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

S.B. 531, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DAM SAFETY LAW TO ALLOW PHASED COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW.

On motion of the Speaker, the bill is temporarily displaced.

S.B. 749 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, AND TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING.

Representative D. Hall offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted. This amendment changes the title.

Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 2 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (39-63).

Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 3 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (41-61).

Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 4, which is temporarily displaced.

Representative Logan offers Amendment No. 5 which is adopted by electronic vote (99-0).

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Representative Logan offers Amendment No. 6 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (42-60).

Representative Pike requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (41-61).

Representative Morey offers Amendment No. 7 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (41-61).

Representative Morey offers Amendment No. 8 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (40-62).

Representative D. Hall offers Amendment No. 9 which is adopted.

On motion of the Speaker, the bill is temporarily displaced.

S.B. 531, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE DAM SAFETY LAW TO ALLOW PHASED COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW, which was temporarily displaced, is before the Body.

Representative Greene offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (89-13), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in House Amendment No 1.

H.B. 770 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE CAST VOTE RECORDS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (73-29), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate.

S.B. 189 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE FINE IMPOSED ON PERSONS CONVICTED OF TRAFFICKING IN HEROIN, FENTANYL, OR CARFENTANIL; TO MODIFY THE OFFENSE OF DEATH BY DISTRIBUTION TO INCLUDE THE UNLAWFUL DELIVERY AND INGESTION OF CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES THAT PROXIMATELY CAUSES THE DEATH OF A PERSON AND TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENTS FOR A PERSON WHO COMMITS THE OFFENSE OF DEATH BY DISTRIBUTION; TO ADD POSSESSION OF LESS THAN ONE GRAM OF ANY CONTROLLED

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SUBSTANCE TO THE LIST OF OFFENSES FOR WHICH LIMITED IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION APPLIES FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SEEKS MEDICAL ASSISTANCE; TO CREATE THE TASK FORCE ON ENFORCEMENT OF FENTANYL AND HEROIN DRUG VIOLATIONS; AND TO MAKE CERTAIN AUTOPSY LAW CHANGES.

REPRESENTATIVE K. HALL PRESIDING.

The bill passes its second reading, by electronic vote (81-20), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor.

S.B. 409 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATERCRAFT; TO PROVIDE THAT MULTIPLE ACTS OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL CRIME OFFENSES MAY BE AGGREGATED IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN DETERMINING THE LEVEL OF PUNISHMENT TO BE IMPOSED; TO PROVIDE THAT PROVING IT WAS THE REGULAR PRACTICE OF A BUSINESS ACTIVITY TO MAKE A MEMORANDUM, REPORT, OR DATA COMPILATION MAY BE MADE BY AN UNSWORN DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY; TO ALLOW CIVIC YOUTH GROUPS TO ADDRESS STUDENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS DURING CIVIC FOCUS WEEKS; AND TO REQUIRE MONETARY COMPENSATION TO OWNERS OF ON-PREMISES ADVERTISEMENTS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OR UPGRADE OF NONCONFORMING SIGNS DUE TO A CHANGE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (90-8), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill.

SPEAKER MOORE PRESIDING.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

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S.B. 68, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO ALLOW THE CITY TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS IN THE SAME MANNER IN WHICH PROCEEDS FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES ARE USED, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill.

The Speaker rules the House committee substitute bill to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the material House committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of September 20. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 749 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, AND TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, which was temporarily displaced, is before the Body.

Representative Harrison withdraws Amendment No. 4, which was temporarily displaced.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (60-41), and there being no objection is read a third time.

On motion of the Speaker, the bill temporarily displaced.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 5:32 p.m., to reconvene at 5:50 p.m.

RECESS

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by Representative D. Hall.

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CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 749 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, AND TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, which was temporarily displaced, is before the Body.

Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 10 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (39-54).

Representative Faircloth requests and is granted leave of the House to be recorded as voting "no." The adjusted vote total is (39-55).

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

Representative B. Jones moves, seconded by Representative Arp, that the House adjourn at 6:39 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, September 20 at 9:45 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, September 20, 2023

The House meets at 9:45 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Willingham.

On motion of the Chair, the House recesses at 10:04 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 2:00 p.m.

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RECESS

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Jennifer Balkcom.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative D. Hall, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of September 19 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Adams, Alexander, K. Baker, Brockman, Cotham, Gill, Hawkins, Howard, Lowery, Moss, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Torbett, and Watford for today.

Serving as Honorary Page for today is Hudson Winslow.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 189, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE FINE IMPOSED ON PERSONS CONVICTED OF TRAFFICKING IN HEROIN, FENTANYL, OR CARFENTANIL; TO MODIFY THE OFFENSE OF DEATH BY DISTRIBUTION TO INCLUDE THE UNLAWFUL DELIVERY AND INGESTION OF CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES THAT PROXIMATELY CAUSES THE DEATH OF A PERSON AND TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENTS FOR A PERSON WHO COMMITS THE OFFENSE OF DEATH BY DISTRIBUTION; TO ADD POSSESSION OF LESS THAN ONE GRAM OF ANY CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE TO THE LIST OF OFFENSES FOR WHICH LIMITED IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION APPLIES FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SEEKS MEDICAL ASSISTANCE; TO CREATE THE TASK FORCE ON ENFORCEMENT OF FENTANYL AND HEROIN DRUG VIOLATIONS; AND TO MAKE CERTAIN AUTOPSY LAW CHANGES.

S.B. 615, AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, AND THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CORRECTIONS TO THE NOTARY LAWS, TO UPDATE THE GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNTING STATUTE TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN TIMING ELECTIONS AND EXTENSIONS, TO AMEND

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THE GENERAL STATUTES TO PREVENT THE ABUSE OR MISUSE OF AUTHORITY GRANTED TO AN AGENT IN A POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND TO PROMOTE THE RIGHTS AND INDEPENDENCE OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE GUARDIANSHIP PROCESS AND TO IMPROVE JUDICIAL OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR GUARDIANS OF THE PERSON.

H.B. 432, AN ACT TO UPDATE PRINCIPAL LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS AND TO DEVELOP A PORTFOLIO-BASED ASSESSMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

MOTION TO ADD CONFERENCE REPORT TO CALENDAR

Representative D. Hall moves that the Conference Report for **H.B. 259** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, be placed on the Calendar of September 21 upon submission.

The motion carries by electronic vote (66-38).

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

S.B. 154 (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES, as amended, passes its third reading, by the following vote, and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in material House Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Harrison, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Shepard, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Strickland, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 98.

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Voting in the negative: Representatives Cleveland, Dahle, K. Hall, Hastings, Kidwell, and Setzer - 6.

Excused absences: Representatives Adams, Alexander, K. Baker, Brockman, Cotham, Gill, Hawkins, Howard, Lowery, Moss, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Torbett, and Watford - 14.

S.B. 68 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

Representative Humphrey offers Amendment No. 1, which is adopted.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by the following vote, and remains on the Calendar.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Ager, Alston, Arp, A. Baker, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Crawford, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Hastings, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless,

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Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Shepard, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Strickland, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 98.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Autry, Dahle, Harrison, Logan, Longest, Morey, and Setzer - 7.

Excused absences: Representatives Adams, Alexander, K. Baker, Brockman, Cotham, Gill, Hawkins, Howard, Lowery, Moss, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Torbett, and Watford - 14.

Representative Budd requests and is granted leave of the House to change her vote from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (97-8).

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Potts, that the House adjourn at 2:51 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, September 21 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Arp sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 678** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO: (I) REDEFINE "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AS "CLEAN ENERGY," TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM INCLUDES NUCLEAR RESOURCES AND FUSION ENERGY, AND TO ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (II) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (III) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (IV) INCREASE THE ROOFTOP SOLAR LEASING CAP; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; AND (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT. Pursuant to Rule 44(d), the Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on the Calendar of September 21.

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CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **S.B. 542** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE OMNIBUS CHANGES TO THE LABOR LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO AMEND THE DEFINITION FOR BAR AS IT RELATES TO PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION AND REGULATION, AND TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO TRANSPORTATION LAWS: Representative Hardister, Chair; Representatives B. Jones, Adams, Ross, and Tyson.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Lambeth sends forth the Conference Report on **H.B. 259** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS. The Conference Report is placed on the Calendar of September 21.

The Speaker rules the Conference Report to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
September 20, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 132 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
September 20, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 409 House Committee Substitute (2nd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATERCRAFT; TO PROVIDE THAT MULTIPLE ACTS OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL CRIME OFFENSES MAY BE AGGREGATED IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN DETERMINING THE LEVEL OF PUNISHMENT TO BE IMPOSED; TO PROVIDE THAT PROVING IT WAS THE REGULAR PRACTICE OF A BUSINESS ACTIVITY TO MAKE A MEMORANDUM, REPORT, OR DATA COMPILATION MAY BE MADE BY AN UNSWORN DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY; TO ALLOW CIVIC YOUTH GROUPS TO ADDRESS STUDENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS DURING CIVIC FOCUS WEEKS; AND TO REQUIRE MONETARY COMPENSATION TO OWNERS OF ON-PREMISES ADVERTISEMENTS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OR UPGRADE OF NONCONFORMING SIGNS DUE TO A CHANGE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS, and requests conferees. The President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Britt, Chair
Senator McInnis
Senator Daniel

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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The Speaker appoints Representative Carson Smith, Chair; Representatives Crutchfield, Pyrtle, and Miller as conferees on the part of the House and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
September 20, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 749 House Committee Substitute (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS, and requests conferees. The President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator P. Newton, Chair
Senator Hise
Senator Daniel

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The Speaker appoints Representative D. Hall, Chair, and Representative Mills as conferees on the part of the House and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

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RE-REFERRAL

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, **S.B. 677** (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A LIMITED RIGHT OF ENTRY FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, is withdrawn from the Committee on Judiciary 3 and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House stands adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED NINETEENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, September 21, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Ben T. Moss, Jr.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative D. Hall, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of September 20 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, Blackwell, Gill, Hastings, Howard, Logan, Stevens, and Watford for today. Representatives K. Baker, Cleveland, Carson Smith, and Willis are excused for a portion of the Session.

ADDENDA TO COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The Speaker makes the following committee assignments:

REDISTRICTING: Add Representative Humphrey and designate Representative Stevens as Vice Chair.

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CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

S.B. 68 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, as amended, passes its third reading, by the following vote, and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the material House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Balkcom, Ball, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Cotham, Crawford, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Hawkins, Humphrey, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Shepard, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 99.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Autry, Dahle, Harrison, Longest, Morey, and Setzer - 6.

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Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, K. Baker, Blackwell, Gill, Hastings, Howard, Logan, Carson Smith, Stevens, and Watford - 10.

Representative Longest requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (100-5).

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Lambeth moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

Senate Committee Substitute No. 2 for H.B. 259

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on House Bill 259, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee Substitute Adopted with unengrossed amendments 5/16/23, Senate Finance Committee Favorable with unengrossed amendments 5/16/23, Senate Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee Substitute Adopted 5/16/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 5/18/23, submit the following report:

The House and the Senate agree to the following amendment to the Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee Substitute Adopted with unengrossed amendments 5/16/23, Senate Finance Committee Favorable with unengrossed amendments 5/16/23, Senate Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee Substitute Adopted 5/16/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 5/18/23, and the House concurs in the Senate Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee Substitute Adopted with unengrossed amendments 5/16/23, Senate Finance Committee Favorable with unengrossed amendments 5/16/23, Senate Pensions and Retirement and Aging Committee Substitute Adopted 5/16/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 5/18/23, and substitute the attached H259-PCCS50044-MHxr-6.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

September 21, 2023

Date Conferees approved report: September 20, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Brent Jackson, Chair
S/ Ralph E. Hise, Chair
S/ Phil Berger
S/ Bill Rabon
S/ Paul Newton
S/ Jim Perry
S/ Todd Johnson
S/ David W. Craven
S/ Norman W. Sanderson
S/ Tom McInnis
S/ V. Sawyer
S/ Michael A. Lazzara
S/ Amy S. Galey
S/ Lisa S. Barnes
S/ Carl Ford
S/ Steve Jarvis
S/ Joyce Krawiec
S/ Jim Burgin
S/ Kevin Corbin
S/ Danny Earl Britt, Jr.
S/ Warren Daniel

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Donny C. Lambeth, Chair
S/ L. Dean Arp, Chair
S/ Jason R. Saine, Chair
S/ John R. Bradford, III
S/ Keith Kidwell
S/ Mitchell S. Setzer
S/ Michael H. Wray
S/ Stephen M. Ross
S/ Steve Tyson
S/ William D. Brisson
S/ J. Elmore
S/ John Faircloth, Jr.
S/ Kyle Hall
S/ Brenden H. Jones
S/ Wayne Sasser
S/ Larry C. Strickland
S/ Kelly E. Hastings
S/ Jon Hardister
S/ David Willis
S/ George G. Cleveland
S/ Dennis Riddell
S/ Larry W. Potts
S/ Donna McDowell White
S/ Jake Johnson
S/ Ted Davis, Jr.
S/ Dudley Greene
S/ Charles W. Miller
S/ Frank Iler
S/ Phillip Shepard
S/ Shelly Willingham
S/ Garland E. Pierce
S/ Kevin Crutchfield
S/ Matthew Winslow
S/ Jimmy Dixon
S/ Karl E. Gillespie
S/ Edward C. Goodwin
S/ Erin Paré
S/ John R. Bell, IV
S/ Destin Hall

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The material Conference Report is adopted, on its second roll call reading, by the following vote, and remains on the Calendar.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Sossamon, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 69.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Dahle, Everitt, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, and von Haefen - 40.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, K. Baker, Blackwell, Gill, Hastings, Howard, Logan, Carson Smith, Stevens, Watford, and Willis - 11.

ADJOURNMENT EXTENDED

On motion of the Chair and without objection, the House will continue Session past the 9:00 p.m. hour of adjournment.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 2:12 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 9:30 p.m.

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SPECIAL MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Messages are received from the Senate:

H.B. 361 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCY FOR NORTH CAROLINA TO REPORT ITS ACTIONS REGARDING ITS IMPACT ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, is returned for concurrence in Senate Amendments No. 1 and No. 2.

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The committee substitute bill with unengrossed Senate Amendments No. 1 and No. 2 is placed on today's Calendar.

H.B. 142 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY PENALTIES AND DEFINITIONS FOR CERTAIN SEX OFFENSES AGAINST STUDENTS, TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR THE FAILURE OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS TO REPORT CERTAIN MISCONDUCT TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO SHOW STUDENTS IN GRADES SIX THROUGH TWELVE A VIDEO PRODUCED BY THE CENTER FOR SAFER SCHOOLS CONTAINING AGE-APPROPRIATE INFORMATION ABOUT SEXUAL ABUSE, AND TO DEFINE CONDUCT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT AS IT PERTAINS TO THE FORFEITURE OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, is returned for concurrence in Senate Amendment No. 1, which changes the title upon concurrence.

Committee Substitute Bill No. 3 with unengrossed Senate Amendment No. 1 is placed on today's Calendar.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Maria Cervania:

OBSERVING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, from September 15th to October 15th, we honor and recognize the generations of Hispanic and Latina, Latino, Latinx, and Latine Americans by celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. This month recognizes the Hispanic and Latin Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our State and our country; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic and Latino Americans have shaped North Carolina with their art, culture, histories, and stories. The achievements and dreams of the Hispanic and Latino community help our State to grow and prosper. Latinos are artists, doctors, educators, public servants, scientists, essential workers, small business owners, and leaders; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic and Latino communities are an important, growing demographic in North Carolina. The Hispanic population has been the fastest growing population in North Carolina since the 1990s; and

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WHEREAS, we are proud to say that North Carolina is a symbol of prosperity and new beginnings for immigrants - who make up 38% of Hispanic people in North Carolina. Most Hispanic North Carolinians were born and raised in North Carolina, with families from Mexico, Spain, the Caribbean, or Central and South America. They are inspired by the sacrifices of their families and bring a valuable cross-cultural perspective to our State; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the significant contributions of all Hispanic, Latino/a/x/e Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and outreach groups that help increase cultural awareness, enrichment, and community engagement to North Carolina. It is through their support and community involvement that our country has continued to flourish both culturally and economically;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to recognize September 15, 2023, through October 15, 2023, as Hispanic Heritage Month and to further emphasize the strength of the State's diversity by making our State a place where all Hispanic and Latino Americans may experience inclusivity, opportunity, and appreciation for their accomplishments.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 21st day of September, 2023.

S/ Representative Maria Cervania
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **S.B. 274** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO STUDY THE ARRAY OF SERVICES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT OLDER ADULTS IN NORTH CAROLINA WHO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY AND TO REPORT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY: Representative Potts, Chair; Representatives White, Paré, Lambeth, Sasser, and K. Baker.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Riddell sends forth the Conference Report on **H.B. 600** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN

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ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA. The Conference Report is placed on today's Calendar.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 678 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO (I) DEFINE "CLEAN ENERGY," WHICH INCLUDES "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AND NUCLEAR AND FUSION ENERGY; (II) ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (III) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (IV) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT; AND (VII) ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION EXEMPTIONS FOR THE UTILITIES COMMISSION AND PUBLIC STAFF.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

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H.B. 8 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE INSTRUCTION IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND COMPLETION OF A COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSE FOR GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL, is returned for concurrence in Senate Amendments No. 1 and No. 2, which change the title upon concurrence.

Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 with unengrossed Senate Amendments No. 1 and No. 2 is placed on the Calendar.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative D. Hall sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 749** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS. The Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on today's Calendar.

RE-REFERRALS

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the Conference Report for **H.B. 5** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS, is withdrawn from the Calendar 36(b) and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, pursuant to Rule 15.1, the Conference Report for **H.B. 5** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on the Calendar 36(b).

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 211 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM ADJOINING STATES TO BE MEMBERS OF A NORTH CAROLINA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 677 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A LIMITED RIGHT OF ENTRY FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the Senate committee substitute bill.

The House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. The Senate committee substitute bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

H.B. 563 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS AND KRATOM PRODUCTS, AND TO BAN THOSE PRODUCTS FROM SCHOOL GROUNDS, with a favorable report as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 3, unfavorable as to Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

Committee Substitute Bill No. 3 is placed on today's Calendar. Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **S.B. 579** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY THE REGULATIONS ON ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, AND TO PROHIBIT SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A MINOR: Representative Davis, Chair; Representatives Zenger and Mills.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

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FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
September 21, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that Senator Daniel has been removed as a conferee on **S.B. 579 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY THE REGULATIONS ON ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, AND TO PROHIBIT SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A MINOR.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
September 21, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 154 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

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By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 692 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGES SYSTEM BE CONFIRMED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE APPROVAL PROCESS OF LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESIDENTS, TO PROHIBIT COMMUNITY COLLEGES FROM OFFERING COURSES OF INSTRUCTION USING STATE FUNDS WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL BY THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND LOCAL BOARDS OF TRUSTEES, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2.

The House committee substitute bill is placed on today's Calendar. Senate Committee Substitute Bill No. 2 is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Davis sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 579** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY THE REGULATIONS ON ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, AND TO PROHIBIT SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A MINOR. The Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on today's Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Principal Clerk.

SPEAKER MOORE PRESIDING.

CALENDAR (continued)

CONFERENCE REPORT

House Committee Substitute No. 2 for S.B. 678

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

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The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 678, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO: (I) REDEFINE "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AS "CLEAN ENERGY," TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM INCLUDES NUCLEAR RESOURCES AND FUSION ENERGY, AND TO ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (II) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (III) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (IV) INCREASE THE ROOFTOP SOLAR LEASING CAP; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; AND (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT, House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/27/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 8/16/23, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/27/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 8/16/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/27/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 8/16/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S678-PCCS35311-RI-6.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: September 20, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Paul Newton, Chair
S/ Buck Newton
S/ Bill Rabon

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ L. Dean Arp, Chair
S/ Matthew Winslow

On motion of the Speaker, the Conference Report is temporarily displaced.

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POINT OF ORDER

Representative Lofton raises a point of order that the Conference Report for **H.B. 600** includes significant matters that were not in difference between the houses and, pursuant to Rule 44(b), requires recommendation by a standing committee.

The Speaker notes the objection.

CALENDAR (continued)**CONFERENCE REPORT**

The Conference Report for **S.B. 678** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO: (I) REDEFINE "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AS "CLEAN ENERGY," TO PROVIDE THAT THE TERM INCLUDES NUCLEAR RESOURCES AND FUSION ENERGY, AND TO ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (II) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (III) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (IV) INCREASE THE ROOFTOP SOLAR LEASING CAP; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; AND (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT, which was temporarily displaced, is before the body.

Representative Arp moves the adoption of the Conference Report.

The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (66-36), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

H.B. 361 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCY FOR NORTH CAROLINA TO REPORT ITS ACTIONS REGARDING ITS IMPACT ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

On motion of the Speaker, the bill is temporarily displaced.

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H.B. 142 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MODIFY PENALTIES AND DEFINITIONS FOR CERTAIN SEX OFFENSES AGAINST STUDENTS, TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR THE FAILURE OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS TO REPORT CERTAIN MISCONDUCT TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO SHOW STUDENTS IN GRADES SIX THROUGH TWELVE A VIDEO PRODUCED BY THE CENTER FOR SAFER SCHOOLS CONTAINING AGE-APPROPRIATE INFORMATION ABOUT SEXUAL ABUSE, AND TO DEFINE CONDUCT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT AS IT PERTAINS TO THE FORFEITURE OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

On motion of Representative Torbett, the House concurs in the Senate amendment, which changes the title, by electronic vote (106-1), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative D. Hall moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute for S.B. 749

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 749, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE VARIOUS CONFORMING CHANGES, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS, House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/12/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 9/19/23, submit the following report:

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The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/12/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 9/19/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/12/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 9/19/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S749-PCCS15387-ST-2.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: September 21, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Paul Newton, Chair
S/ Ralph E. Hise
S/ Warren Daniel

S/ Destin Hall, Chair
S/ Grey Mills

The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (62-44), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

Representative Winslow requests and is granted leave of the House to be recorded as voting "aye." The adjusted vote total is (63-44).

BILL PLACED ON CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **H.B. 8** (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE INSTRUCTION IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND COMPLETION OF A COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSE FOR GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL, is placed on today's Calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 211 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM ADJOINING STATES TO BE MEMBERS OF A NORTH CAROLINA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (107-1), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

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S.B. 677 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW A LIMITED RIGHT OF ENTRY FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND TO EXPEDITE PLAN REVIEW AND AUTHORIZE AT-RISK CONSTRUCTION PERMITTING FOR CERTAIN COMMERCIAL AND MULTIFAMILY BUILDING PROJECTS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (89-21), and there being no objection is read a third time.

Representatives A. Baker and Ball request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "aye" to "no." The adjusted vote total is (87-23).

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

H.B. 563 (Committee Substitute No. 3), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE AND DISTRIBUTION OF HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS AND KRATOM PRODUCTS, AND TO BAN THOSE PRODUCTS FROM SCHOOL GROUNDS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (110-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

S.B. 692 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO EDUCATION LAWS.

Representative Cervania offers Amendment No. 1 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (52-57).

The bill passes its second reading, by electronic vote (70-40), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

CONFERENCE REPORTS

Representative Potts sends forth the Conference Report on **H.B. 125** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICEMEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO ALLOW THE GRANTING OF AN INTERNATIONALLY-TRAINED PHYSICIAN EMPLOYEE LICENSE; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING

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OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE AIDE I EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS, TO ADDRESS THE VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED UPON THE REQUEST OF A HOSPITAL, TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO MODERNIZE AND EXPAND PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE; AND TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION. Without objection, the Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on today's Calendar.

Representative D. Hall sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 452** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA. Without objection, the Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on today's Calendar.

POINT OF ORDER

Representative Morey raises a point of order that the Conference Report for **S.B. 452** includes significant matters that were not in difference between the houses and, pursuant to Rule 44(b), requires recommendation by a standing committee.

The Speaker notes the objection.

WITHDRAWAL OF CONFERENCE REPORTS FROM CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, the Conference Report for **H.B. 600** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

On motion of the Chair, the Conference Report for **S.B. 452** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO

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MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

CALENDAR (continued)

CONFERENCE REPORTS

Representative Davis moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute No. 2 for S.B. 579

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 579, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY THE REGULATIONS ON ADULT LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, AND TO PROHIBIT SEXUAL CONTACT WITH A MINOR, House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/28/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 8/16/23, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/28/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 8/16/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/28/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 8/16/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S579-PCCS15388-CE-3.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: September 21, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Buck Newton, Chair
S/ Danny Earl Britt, Jr.
S/ Amy S. Galey

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Ted Davis, Jr., Chair
S/ Jeff Zenger

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The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (108-2), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 127.)

Representative Potts moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

Senate Committee Substitute No. 2 for H.B. 125

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on House Bill 125, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICEMEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO ALLOW THE GRANTING OF AN INTERNATIONALLY-TRAINED PHYSICIAN EMPLOYEE LICENSE; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE AIDE I EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS, TO ADDRESS THE VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER ISSUED UPON THE REQUEST OF A HOSPITAL, TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO MODERNIZE AND EXPAND PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE; AND TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION, Senate Health Care Committee Substitute Adopted 5/31/23, Senate Judiciary Committee Substitute Adopted 6/20/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 6/28/23, submit the following report:

The House and the Senate agree to the following amendment to the Senate Health Care Committee Substitute Adopted 5/31/23, Senate Judiciary Committee Substitute Adopted 6/20/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 6/28/23, and the House concurs in the Senate Committee Substitute, as amended:

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Delete the entire Senate Health Care Committee Substitute Adopted 5/31/23, Senate Judiciary Committee Substitute Adopted 6/20/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 6/28/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H125-PCCS30408-SH-6.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: September 21, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Benton G. Sawrey, Chair
S/ Bill Rabon

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Larry W. Potts, Chair
S/ Donna McDowell White
S/ Kristin Baker, M.D.
S/ Wayne Sasser

The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (107-3), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 129.)

H.B. 8 (Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE INSTRUCTION IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND COMPLETION OF A COMPUTER SCIENCE COURSE FOR GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Representative Paré, the House concurs in Senate Amendments No. 1 and No. 2, which change the title, by electronic vote (102-8), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

H.B. 361 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCY FOR NORTH CAROLINA TO REPORT ITS ACTIONS REGARDING ITS IMPACT ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, which was temporarily displaced, is before the Body.

On motion of Representative White, the House concurs in Senate Amendments No. 1 and No. 2, by electronic vote (85-25), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

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**WITHDRAWAL OF CONFERENCE
REPORT FROM CALENDAR**

On motion of the Chair, the Conference Report for **H.B. 5** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA AND THE VILLAGE OF CLEMMONS, is withdrawn from the Calendar 36(b) and re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

BILL PLACED ON CALENDAR

On motion of the Chair, **H.B. 542** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND LAWS GOVERNING THE CREATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF LIENS SECURING AMOUNTS OWED TO UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS AND HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS, TO STRENGTHEN REQUIRED NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS GIVEN BY ASSOCIATIONS TO APPRISE OWNERS OF THE DELINQUENCY AND POTENTIAL FILING OF A CLAIM OF LIEN, TO REQUIRE ALL FINES COLLECTED BY AN ASSOCIATION TO BE REMITTED TO THE CIVIL FINES AND FORFEITURES FUND, TO EXPAND OWNERS' ACCESS TO HOA RECORDS, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATIONS FROM COMPENSATING A MANAGING AGENT BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF FINES COLLECTED, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATION REGULATION OF PARKING ON PUBLIC STREETS OR ROADS, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATION ENFORCEMENT OF RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN LESSONS GIVEN ON THE OWNER'S PROPERTY TO A GROUP OF FIVE OR FEWER PERSONS, TO ALLOW CERTIFIED COPIES OF COURT-FILED DOCUMENTS TO BE RECORDED WITHOUT MEETING CERTAIN CONFORMING REQUIREMENTS OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN FORECLOSURE SALES TO BE CONDUCTED AT DESIGNATED PUBLIC LOCATIONS, TO EXPAND THE TIME ALLOWED FOR A SCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE TO COMMENCE, AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR REMOTE BIDDING AT A FORECLOSURE SALE, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on today's Calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

H.B. 542 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND LAWS GOVERNING THE CREATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF LIENS SECURING AMOUNTS OWED TO UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS AND HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS, TO STRENGTHEN REQUIRED NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESS-

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MENTS GIVEN BY ASSOCIATIONS TO APPRISE OWNERS OF THE DELINQUENCY AND POTENTIAL FILING OF A CLAIM OF LIEN, TO REQUIRE ALL FINES COLLECTED BY AN ASSOCIATION TO BE REMITTED TO THE CIVIL FINES AND FORFEITURES FUND, TO EXPAND OWNERS' ACCESS TO HOA RECORDS, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATIONS FROM COMPENSATING A MANAGING AGENT BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF FINES COLLECTED, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATION REGULATION OF PARKING ON PUBLIC STREETS OR ROADS, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATION ENFORCEMENT OF RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN LESSONS GIVEN ON THE OWNER'S PROPERTY TO A GROUP OF FIVE OR FEWER PERSONS, TO ALLOW CERTIFIED COPIES OF COURT-FILED DOCUMENTS TO BE RECORDED WITHOUT MEETING CERTAIN CONFORMING REQUIREMENTS OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN FORECLOSURE SALES TO BE CONDUCTED AT DESIGNATED PUBLIC LOCATIONS, TO EXPAND THE TIME ALLOWED FOR A SCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE TO COMMENCE, AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR REMOTE BIDDING AT A FORECLOSURE SALE.

On motion of Representative Liu, the House does not concur in the Senate committee substitute bill, by electronic vote (107-1), and conferees are requested.

The Speaker appoints Representative D. Hall, Chair; Representative Liu, Vice Chair; Representatives Mills, Budd, Tyson, Brody, and Iler as conferees on the part of the House and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

Conference Report for **H.B. 600** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, with recommendation that the Conference Report be adopted.

Without objection, the Conference Report is placed on today's Calendar.

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Conference Report for **S.B. 452** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, with recommendation that the Conference Report be adopted.

Without objection, the Conference Report is placed on today's Calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Riddell moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

Senate Committee Substitute No. 2 for H.B. 600

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on House Bill 600, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, Senate Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee Substitute Adopted 6/7/23, Senate Judiciary Committee Substitute Adopted 6/15/23, Sixth Edition Engrossed 6/28/23, submit the following report:

The House and the Senate agree to the following amendment to the Senate Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee Substitute Adopted 6/7/23, Senate Judiciary Committee Substitute Adopted 6/15/23, Sixth Edition Engrossed 6/28/23, and the House concurs in the Senate Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire Senate Agriculture, Energy, and Environment Committee Substitute Adopted 6/7/23, Senate Judiciary Committee Substitute Adopted 6/15/23, Sixth Edition Engrossed 6/28/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute H600-PCCS40520-RI-4.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: September 21, 2023.

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*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Norman Sanderson, Chair
S/ Paul Newton
S/ Bill Rabon
S/ Todd Johnson
S/ David W. Craven

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Dennis Riddell, Chair
S/ Jeff Zenger
S/ Mark Brody
S/ Matthew Winslow
S/ Allen Chesser
S/ Jimmy Dixon
S/ Michael H. Wray

The Conference Report is adopted, by electronic vote (72-38), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

On motion of the Chair, the Conference Report for **S.B. 452** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, is withdrawn from today's Calendar and placed on the Calendar of September 22.

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Bell, that the House adjourn at 11:55 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Friday, September 22 at 12:10 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 11:58 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTIETH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, September 22, 2023

The House meets at 12:10 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Gloristine Brown.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Representative D. Hall, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of September 21 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, Blackwell, Cleveland, Gill, Hastings, Howard, Logan, Stevens, Watford, and Willis for today.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 477, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATIVE STATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY SELLERS THAT FILE COMPARABLE DISCLOSURES WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, TO MODIFY THE RIGHT OF A SHAREHOLDER OF A CORPORATION TO INSPECT THE RECORDS OF A SUBSIDIARY ENTITY OF THAT CORPORATION, AND TO STANDARDIZE THE EVIDENCE REQUIRED TO PROVE A DEBT.

S.B. 531, AN ACT TO AMEND THE DAM SAFETY LAW TO ALLOW PHASED COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

CONFERENCE REPORTS

Representative D. Hall moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute No. 2 for S.B. 452

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 452, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE

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INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/21/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 6/28/23, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/21/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 6/28/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/21/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 6/28/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S452-PCCS45372-TU-2.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: September 21, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Todd Johnson, Chair
S/ David W. Craven
S/ Danny Earl Britt, Jr.
S/ Jim Perry

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Destin Hall, Chair
S/ Mitchell S. Setzer
S/ Steve Tyson

The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (67-43), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 133.)

The material Conference Report for **H.B. 259** (Senate Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS, is adopted on its third roll call reading, by the following vote, and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 134.)

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Bradford, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cotham, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Fairecloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell,

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Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 70.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Dahle, Everitt, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Roberson, Rudow, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, and von Haefen - 40.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Blackwell, Cleveland, Gill, Hastings, Howard, Logan, Stevens, Watford, and Willis - 10.

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Iler, that the House adjourn at 12:34 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
September 22, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **H.B. 125 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICEMEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO EVALUATE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS AND, IF APPROPRIATE, DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE AIDE I EDUCATION

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AND TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION; TO UPDATE GENERAL STATUTES GOVERNING THE PRACTICE OF AUDIOLOGY TO BETTER REFLECT THE CHANGES IN EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION TO ENHANCE THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF NC CITIZENS; TO ADJUST MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR DENTAL PROCEDURES PERFORMED IN AMBULATORY CENTERS; AND TO UPDATE THE DEFINITION OF A BAR IN THE SANITATION STATUTES.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **H.B. 259 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **H.B. 600 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 452 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO AMEND THE INSURANCE RATE-MAKING LAWS, AND TO REVISE HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 579 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, AND TO MODIFY CERTAIN OFFENSES RELATED TO PUBLIC MORALITY AND DECENCY.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 749 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

H.B. 415 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD ETHICS (SAFE) ACT OF 2023 AND AMENDING THE LAW REGARDING EARWAX REMOVAL BY AUDIOLOGISTS, is returned for concurrence in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title upon concurrence.

On motion of the Chair, the Senate committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 211, AN ACT TO ALLOW POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM ADJOINING STATES TO BE MEMBERS OF A NORTH CAROLINA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY.

H.B. 8, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES.

H.B. 142, AN ACT TO MODIFY PENALTIES AND DEFINITIONS FOR CERTAIN SEX OFFENSES AGAINST STUDENTS, TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR THE FAILURE OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS TO REPORT CERTAIN MISCONDUCT TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO SHOW STUDENTS IN GRADES SIX THROUGH TWELVE A VIDEO PRODUCED BY THE CENTER FOR SAFER SCHOOLS CONTAINING AGE-APPROPRIATE INFORMATION ABOUT SEXUAL ABUSE, AND TO DEFINE CONDUCT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT AS IT PERTAINS TO THE FORFEITURE OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION; TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH ITS ELECTORAL DISTRICTS; AND TO REQUIRE THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO STUDY MERGING THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT AND THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

H.B. 361, AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCY FOR NORTH CAROLINA TO REPORT ITS ACTIONS REGARDING ITS IMPACT ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

S.B. 452, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO AMEND THE INSURANCE RATE-MAKING LAWS, AND TO REVISE HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS.

S.B. 579, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, AND TO MODIFY CERTAIN OFFENSES RELATED TO PUBLIC MORALITY AND DECENCY.

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S.B. 678, AN ACT TO (I) DEFINE "CLEAN ENERGY," WHICH INCLUDES "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AND NUCLEAR AND FUSION ENERGY; (II) ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (III) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (IV) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT; AND (VII) ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION EXEMPTIONS FOR THE UTILITIES COMMISSION AND PUBLIC STAFF.

S.B. 749, AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS.

H.B. 125, AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICEMEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO EVALUATE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS AND, IF APPROPRIATE, DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE AIDE I EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO

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EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION; TO UPDATE GENERAL STATUTES GOVERNING THE PRACTICE OF AUDIOLOGY TO BETTER REFLECT THE CHANGES IN EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION TO ENHANCE THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF NC CITIZENS; TO ADJUST MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR DENTAL PROCEDURES PERFORMED IN AMBULATORY CENTERS; AND TO UPDATE THE DEFINITION OF A BAR IN THE SANITATION STATUTES.

H.B. 259, AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS.

H.B. 600, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The following bill is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 438, AN ACT TO KEEP THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY AND GRANVILLE COUNTY AS THE CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED COMMON BOUNDARY WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY BOUNDARIES ESTABLISHED BY THE 2020 CENSUS GEOGRAPHY.

The House stands adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, September 26, 2023

The House meets at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Diane Wheatley.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Representative Penny reports the Journal of September 22 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 492, AN ACT TO MODIFY LAWS CONCERNING ADULT CORRECTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. (S.L. 2023-121)

H.B. 438, AN ACT TO KEEP THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY AND GRANVILLE COUNTY AS THE CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED COMMON BOUNDARY WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY BOUNDARIES ESTABLISHED BY THE 2020 CENSUS GEOGRAPHY. (S.L. 2023-122)

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 11:14 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, September 28 at 1:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, September 28, 2023

The House meets at 1:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Cotham.

Prayer is offered by Representative Joe John.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of September 26 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

September 28, 2023

There are no excused absences for today.

On motion of Representative Penny and without objection, the House adjourns at 1:03 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, October 2, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 189, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE FINE IMPOSED ON PERSONS CONVICTED OF TRAFFICKING IN HEROIN, FENTANYL, OR CARFENTANIL; TO MODIFY THE OFFENSE OF DEATH BY DISTRIBUTION TO INCLUDE THE UNLAWFUL DELIVERY AND INGESTION OF CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES THAT PROXIMATELY CAUSES THE DEATH OF A PERSON AND TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENTS FOR A PERSON WHO COMMITS THE OFFENSE OF DEATH BY DISTRIBUTION; TO ADD POSSESSION OF LESS THAN ONE GRAM OF ANY CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE TO THE LIST OF OFFENSES FOR WHICH LIMITED IMMUNITY FROM PROSECUTION APPLIES FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SEEKS MEDICAL ASSISTANCE; TO CREATE THE TASK FORCE ON ENFORCEMENT OF FENTANYL AND HEROIN DRUG VIOLATIONS; AND TO MAKE CERTAIN AUTOPSY LAW CHANGES. (S.L. 2023-123)

S.B. 615, AN ACT TO ALLOW ADULT ADOPTEES TO BE ADOPTED BY A FORMER STEPPARENT, THE REMOVAL OF CERTAIN REDACTION RESTRICTIONS FROM ADOPTION HOME STUDIES, AND THE EXPANSION OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OPTIONS FOR AGENCY RELINQUISHMENTS FOR ADOPTION, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CORRECTIONS TO THE NOTARY LAWS, TO UPDATE THE GUARDIANSHIP ACCOUNTING STATUTE TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN TIMING ELECTIONS AND EXTENSIONS, TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO PREVENT THE ABUSE OR MISUSE OF AUTHORITY GRANTED TO AN AGENT IN A POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND TO PROMOTE THE RIGHTS AND INDEPENDENCE OF PERSONS SUBJECT TO THE GUARDIANSHIP PROCESS AND TO IMPROVE JUDICIAL OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR GUARDIANS OF THE PERSON. (S.L. 2023-124)

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H.B. 432, AN ACT TO UPDATE PRINCIPAL LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS AND TO DEVELOP A PORTFOLIO-BASED ASSESSMENT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION. (S.L. 2023-125)

The House stands adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-THIRD DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, October 2, 2023

The House meets at 1:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative John.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, thank You for the love You have for us expressed in Scripture. It is based on agape - it is unconditional love. It rises above feelings of warmth or affection, but it is love based on an act (Your sacrifice) and it seeks the best outcome for us. We don't deserve this kind of love, but You loved us enough to send Your Son to unite Him with us. Your Word teaches us that is the kind of love we should have for others. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of September 28 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative White, that the House adjourn at 1:06 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, October 5 at 1:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

October 2, 2023

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, October 5, 2023

The House meets at 1:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of October 2 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

The Speaker grants a leave of absence to the Principal Clerk.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

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Roy Cooper
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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 600, "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA."

"This bill is a hodgepodge of bad provisions that will result in dirtier water, discriminatory permitting and threats to North Carolina's environment. It also undoes a significant policy to promote fairness in state contracting for historically underutilized businesses as it blocks efforts to encourage diverse suppliers for state purchases, rules that would save taxpayer dollars and help businesses grow. The rules mirror the successful approach used for 18 years in state construction contracting and they were enacted with extensive feedback from state agencies and vendors and they were approved by the Rules Review Commission, which has all of its members appointed by the Republican controlled legislature.

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"Therefore, I veto the bill."

S/ Roy Cooper
Governor

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House on this the 2nd day of October 2023, at 2:42 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The bill is placed on the Calendar of October 10, 2023.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 211, AN ACT TO ALLOW POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM ADJOINING STATES TO BE MEMBERS OF A NORTH CAROLINA WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY. (S.L. 2023-126)

S.B. 579, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR DISSEMINATING OBSCENITY, TO CLARIFY RESTITUTION FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR, AND TO MODIFY CERTAIN OFFENSES RELATED TO PUBLIC MORALITY AND DECENCY. (S.L. 2023-127)

H.B. 142, AN ACT TO MODIFY PENALTIES AND DEFINITIONS FOR CERTAIN SEX OFFENSES AGAINST STUDENTS, TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR THE FAILURE OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS TO REPORT CERTAIN MISCONDUCT TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, TO REQUIRE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS TO SHOW STUDENTS IN GRADES SIX THROUGH TWELVE A VIDEO PRODUCED BY THE CENTER FOR SAFER SCHOOLS CONTAINING AGE-APPROPRIATE INFORMATION ABOUT SEXUAL ABUSE, AND TO DEFINE CONDUCT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT AS IT PERTAINS TO THE FORFEITURE OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION; TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH ITS ELECTORAL DISTRICTS; AND TO REQUIRE THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO STUDY MERGING THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT AND THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT. (S.L. 2023-128)

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H.B. 125, AN ACT TO ALLOW MILITARY RELOCATION LICENSES FOR PHYSICIAN AND PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SERVICE-MEMBERS AND SPOUSES; TO MODIFY THE LAW FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER HEARING AIDS; TO MODIFY THE CREDENTIALING OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA BEHAVIOR ANALYST BOARD; TO MAKE MODIFICATIONS TO THE LAWS OF OPTOMETRY; TO EVALUATE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS AND, IF APPROPRIATE, DEVELOP A PLAN TO TRANSITION THE NURSE AIDE I EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF NURSING; TO PROTECT HEALTH CARE WORKERS FROM VIOLENCE BY REQUIRING CERTAIN HOSPITALS TO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS; TO INCREASE THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AGAINST CERTAIN PERSONNEL; TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORT PROVIDED UNDER THE EXPIRING FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION; TO UPDATE GENERAL STATUTES GOVERNING THE PRACTICE OF AUDIOLOGY TO BETTER REFLECT THE CHANGES IN EDUCATION, EXPERIENCE, AND PRACTICE OF THE PROFESSION TO ENHANCE THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF NC CITIZENS; TO ADJUST MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR DENTAL PROCEDURES PERFORMED IN AMBULATORY CENTERS; AND TO UPDATE THE DEFINITION OF A BAR IN THE SANITATION STATUTES. (S.L. 2023-129)

S.B. 477, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE NORTH CAROLINA BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT AND TO ELIMINATE DUPLICATIVE STATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY SELLERS THAT FILE COMPARABLE DISCLOSURES WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION, TO MODIFY THE RIGHT OF A SHAREHOLDER OF A CORPORATION TO INSPECT THE RECORDS OF A SUBSIDIARY ENTITY OF THAT CORPORATION, AND TO STANDARDIZE THE EVIDENCE REQUIRED TO PROVE A DEBT. (S.L. 2023-130)

S.B. 531, AN ACT TO AMEND THE DAM SAFETY LAW TO ALLOW PHASED COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW. (S.L. 2023-131)

H.B. 8, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE GENERAL STATUTES. (S.L. 2023-132)

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S.B. 452, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO AMEND THE INSURANCE RATE-MAKING LAWS, AND TO REVISE HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS. (S.L. 2023-133) [Became law without the approval of the Governor.]

H.B. 259, AN ACT TO MAKE BASE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS, AND INSTITUTIONS. (S.L. 2023-134) [Became law without the approval of the Governor.]

H.B. 361, AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCY FOR NORTH CAROLINA TO REPORT ITS ACTIONS REGARDING ITS IMPACT ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. (S.L. 2023-135) [Became law without the approval of the Governor.]

WITHDRAWAL OF BILL FROM COMMITTEE

On motion of the Chair, **H.B. 415** (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD ETHICS (SAFE) ACT OF 2023 AND AMENDING THE LAW REGARDING EARWAX REMOVAL BY AUDIOLOGISTS, is withdrawn from the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and placed on the Calendar of October 10.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
October 2, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the message from the Senate on September 21, 2023, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate fails to concur in **S.B. 154 House Committee Substitute No. 2 (5th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Hise, Chair
Senator Rabon
Senator P. Newton
Senator Perry

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The Speaker appoints Representative Bradford, Chair; Representatives Setzer, Ross, Kidwell, Wray, and Howard as conferees on the part of the House and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
October 2, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 749 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on September 28, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 749, "AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTEREST."

"The legislative takeover of state and local elections boards could doom our state's elections to gridlock and severely limit early voting. It also creates a grave risk that Republican legislators or courts would be empowered to change the results of an election if they don't like the winner. That's a serious threat to our democracy, particularly after the nation just saw a presidential candidate try to strongarm state officials into reversing his losing election result. Courts have already ruled the ideas in this bill unconstitutional, and voters overwhelmingly said no when the legislature tried to change the constitution.

"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 28th day of September 2023, at 2:40 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Clampitt, that the House adjourn at 1:25 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, October 9, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
October 5, 2023

October 5, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to your honorable body that **S.B. 678 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO (I) DEFINE "CLEAN ENERGY," WHICH INCLUDES "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AND NUCLEAR AND FUSION ENERGY; (II) ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (III) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (IV) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT; AND (VII) ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION EXEMPTIONS FOR THE UTILITIES COMMISSION AND PUBLIC STAFF, was vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper on October 2, 2023, and was returned to the Senate with the attached veto message.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 678, "AN ACT TO (I) DEFINE "CLEAN ENERGY," WHICH INCLUDES "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AND NUCLEAR AND FUSION ENERGY; (II) ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (III) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (IV) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

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FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT; AND (VII) ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION EXEMPTIONS FOR THE UTILITIES COMMISSION AND PUBLIC STAFF."

"North Carolina is on a bipartisan path to removing carbon from our electric power sector in the most cost-effective way. This bill attempts to diverge from that path by trying to put construction of traditional power plants, and higher profits for the utility companies, over lower-cost solutions like energy efficiency. North Carolina should consider all pathways to decarbonize, rather than putting a thumb on the scale in favor of building new conventional generation.

"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 October 2023, at 2:32 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

The House stands adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIFTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, October 9, 2023

The House meets at 1:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Winslow.

Prayer is offered by Representative Joe John.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of October 5 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

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There are no excused absences for today.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
October 5, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to your message received on September 22, 2023 that the House of Representatives failed to concur in **H.B. 542 Senate Committee Substitute (4th Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND LAWS GOVERNING THE CREATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF LIENS SECURING AMOUNTS OWED TO UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS AND HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS, TO STRENGTHEN REQUIRED NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS GIVEN BY ASSOCIATIONS TO APPRISE OWNERS OF THE DELINQUENCY AND POTENTIAL FILING OF A CLAIM OF LIEN, TO REQUIRE ALL FINES COLLECTED BY AN ASSOCIATION TO BE REMITTED TO THE CIVIL FINES AND FORFEITURES FUND, TO EXPAND OWNERS' ACCESS TO HOA RECORDS, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATIONS FROM COMPENSATING A MANAGING AGENT BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF FINES COLLECTED, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATION REGULATION OF PARKING ON PUBLIC STREETS OR ROADS, TO PROHIBIT ASSOCIATION ENFORCEMENT OF RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN LESSONS GIVEN ON THE OWNER'S PROPERTY TO A GROUP OF FIVE OR FEWER PERSONS, TO ALLOW CERTIFIED COPIES OF COURT-FILED DOCUMENTS TO BE RECORDED WITHOUT MEETING CERTAIN CONFORMING REQUIREMENTS OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS, TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN FORECLOSURE SALES TO BE CONDUCTED AT DESIGNATED PUBLIC LOCATIONS, TO EXPAND THE TIME ALLOWED FOR A SCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE TO COMMENCE, AND TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR REMOTE BIDDING AT A FORECLOSURE SALE, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Sawrey, Chair
Senator Johnson
Senator Rabon
Senator Lee

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 1:05 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, October 10 at 12:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIXTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, October 10, 2023

The House meets at 12:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Amos L. Quick, III.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative D. Hall, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of October 9 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, Brockman, Roberson, and Rudow for today.

Serving as Honorary Page for today is Tyler Fontenot.

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

On motion of Representative D. Hall and without objection, Rules 31.1(e), 31, and 41 are suspended in order for the following resolution to be filed, receive its first reading, and be placed on today's Calendar.

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO SUPPORT THE NATION OF ISRAEL IN RESPONSE TO THE UNPROVOKED ATTACKS.

The resolution is filed and assigned the number **H.R. 897**.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

The following is introduced and read the first time:

By Representatives Moore, Rudow, Paré, and Hardister (Primary Sponsors); Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, K. Hall, Harris, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, John, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lofton, Lowery, Lucas, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger:

H.R. 897, A HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO SUPPORT THE NATION OF ISRAEL IN RESPONSE TO THE UNPROVOKED ATTACKS.

The resolution is placed on today's Calendar.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

H.B. 600 (Ratified), AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote and the bill is ordered sent to the Senate by Special Message.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson,

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Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 76.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, and von Haefen - 39.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Brockman, Roberson, and Rudow - 4.

Representative Majeed requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (77-38).

H.B. 415 (Senate Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD ETHICS (SAFE) ACT OF 2023 AND AMENDING THE LAW REGARDING EARWAX REMOVAL BY AUDIOLOGISTS.

On motion of Representative Reeder, the House concurs in the Senate committee substitute bill, which changes the title, by electronic vote (116-0), and the bill is ordered enrolled and presented to the Governor by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

S.J.R. 755 (Committee Substitute), A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT OF QUINTIN MCGEE AS A SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, is read the first time.

Without objection, the committee substitute resolution is placed on today's Calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.J.R. 755 (Committee Substitute), A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT

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OF QUINTIN MCGEE AS A SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (115-0), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The resolution passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
October 10, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **S.B. 512 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

Pursuant to Article II, Section 22, of the North Carolina Constitution, the bill together with the objections and veto message are hereby delivered to your Honorable Body for reconsideration.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 512, "AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS."

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"This legislation will hurt the effective and efficient use of taxpayer money by impairing the Governor's constitutionally required duty to execute the laws passed by the legislature. The bill interrupts the critical work of boards and commissions to protect public health, provide clean air and water, recruit new jobs, lower electric bills and more. Fundamentally it violates the separation of powers enshrined in the state Constitution. The courts have consistently rejected these legislative power grabs in *McCrorry v. Berger* and other cases. Legislative efforts to seize executive power are unconstitutional and damage vital state work.

"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 24th day of August 2023, at 3:55 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Pursuant to Rule 44.2, the bill is placed on today's Calendar for immediate consideration.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Winslow, and Zenger - 72.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, Willingham, and Wray - 44.

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Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Brockman, Roberson, and Rudow - 4.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
October 10, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **S.B. 678 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO (I) DEFINE "CLEAN ENERGY," WHICH INCLUDES "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AND NUCLEAR AND FUSION ENERGY; (II) ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (III) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (IV) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT; AND (VII) ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION EXEMPTIONS FOR THE UTILITIES COMMISSION AND PUBLIC STAFF, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

Pursuant to Article II, Section 22, of the North Carolina Constitution, the bill together with the objections and veto message are hereby delivered to your Honorable Body for reconsideration.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

October 10, 2023

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Roy Cooper
Governor

GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 678, "AN ACT TO (I) DEFINE "CLEAN ENERGY," WHICH INCLUDES "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AND NUCLEAR AND FUSION ENERGY; (II) ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (III) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (IV) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT; AND (VII) ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION EXEMPTIONS FOR THE UTILITIES COMMISSION AND PUBLIC STAFF."

"North Carolina is on a bipartisan path to removing carbon from our electric power sector in the most cost-effective way. This bill attempts to diverge from that path by trying to put construction of traditional power plants, and higher profits for the utility companies, over lower-cost solutions like energy efficiency. North Carolina should consider all pathways to decarbonize, rather than putting a thumb on the scale in favor of building new conventional generation.

"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 October 2023, at 2:32 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

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Pursuant to Rule 44.2, the bill is placed on today's Calendar for immediate consideration.

GUEST

The Speaker extends the courtesies of the floor to former Member John Szoka.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 678 (Ratified), AN ACT TO (I) DEFINE "CLEAN ENERGY," WHICH INCLUDES "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AND NUCLEAR AND FUSION ENERGY; (II) ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (III) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (IV) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT; AND (VII) ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION EXEMPTIONS FOR THE UTILITIES COMMISSION AND PUBLIC STAFF.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 77.

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Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Morey, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, and von Haefen - 37.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Brockman, Roberson, and Rudow - 4.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
October 10, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **S.B. 749 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

Pursuant to Article II, Section 22, of the North Carolina Constitution, the bill together with the objections and veto message are hereby delivered to your Honorable Body for reconsideration.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

October 10, 2023

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Roy Cooper
Governor**GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE**

Senate Bill 749, "AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTEREST."

"The legislative takeover of state and local elections boards could doom our state's elections to gridlock and severely limit early voting. It also creates a grave risk that Republican legislators or courts would be empowered to change the results of an election if they don't like the winner. That's a serious threat to our democracy, particularly after the nation just saw a presidential candidate try to strongarm state officials into reversing his losing election result. Courts have already ruled the ideas in this bill unconstitutional, and voters overwhelmingly said no when the legislature tried to change the constitution.

"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 28th day of September 2023, at 2:40 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Pursuant to Rule 44.2, the bill is placed on today's Calendar for immediate consideration.

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Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Winslow, and Zenger - 72.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, Willingham, and Wray - 44.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Brockman, Roberson, and Rudow - 4.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **S.B. 747 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

October 10, 2023

Pursuant to Article II, Section 22, of the North Carolina Constitution, the bill together with the objections and veto message are hereby delivered to your Honorable Body for reconsideration.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

Senate Bill 747, "AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW."

"This legislation has nothing to do with election security and everything to do with Republicans keeping and gaining power. In working to erect new barriers for younger and non-white voters, many of whom use early voting and absentee ballots, this bill also hurts older adults, rural voters and people with disabilities. It requires valid votes to be tossed out if the post office delivers them even one minute after 7:30 p.m. on Election Day or if a computer rejects a signature. It encourages voter intimidation at the polls by election deniers and conspiracy believers. North Carolina has conducted fair and secure elections but this bill will block voters and their ballots unnecessarily.

"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 24th day of August 2023, at 3:55 p.m. for reconsideration by that body.

Pursuant to Rule 44.2, the bill is placed on today's Calendar for immediate consideration.

Representative D. Hall moves that the House pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor.

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The motion carries by the following three-fifths majority roll call vote:

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Bell, Biggs, Blackwell, Bradford, Brisson, Brody, Cairns, Chesser, Clampitt, Cleveland, Cotham, Crutchfield, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Hastings, Howard, Humphrey, Iler, N. Jackson, Johnson, B. Jones, Kidwell, Lambeth, Loftis, Lowery, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pike, Pless, Potts, Pyrtle, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Winslow, and Zenger - 72.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ager, Alston, Autry, A. Baker, Ball, Belk, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Carney, Cervania, Clemmons, Crawford, Cunningham, Dahle, Everitt, Gill, Harris, Harrison, Hawkins, F. Jackson, Jeffers, John, A. Jones, Liu, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lucas, Majeed, Morey, Pierce, Prather, Price, Quick, Reives, Charles Smith, Staton-Williams, von Haefen, Willingham, and Wray - 44.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Brockman, Roberson, and Rudow - 4.

The veto of the Governor having been overridden, the bill becomes law and the Senate is so notified by Special Message.

H.R. 897, A HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO SUPPORT THE NATION OF ISRAEL IN RESPONSE TO THE UNPROVOKED ATTACKS.

The resolution is adopted, by electronic vote (104-0), and ordered printed.

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 677, AN ACT TO ALLOW A LIMITED RIGHT OF ENTRY FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND TO EXPEDITE PLAN REVIEW AND AUTHORIZE AT-RISK CONSTRUCTION PERMITTING FOR CERTAIN COMMERCIAL AND MULTIFAMILY BUILDING PROJECTS.

H.B. 415, AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD ETHICS (SAFE) ACT OF 2023 AND AMENDING THE LAW REGARDING EARWAX REMOVAL BY AUDIOLOGISTS.

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The following resolution is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.J.R. 755, A JOINT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT OF QUINTIN MCGEE AS A SPECIAL SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE. (RESOLUTION 2023-10)

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Bell, that the House adjourn at 2:52 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, and in memory of those lives lost in the recent conflict in Israel, to reconvene Thursday, October 12 at 9:30 a.m.

The motion carries.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
October 10, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate has passed **H.B. 600 (Ratified)**, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor and the bill becomes law.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT Submitted by Representative Kevin Crutchfield:

RECOGNIZING CHERYL SHEETS FOR HER PUBLIC SERVICE

WHEREAS, Cheryl Sheets has served the China Grove and Rowan County communities for over 25 years; and

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WHEREAS, in 2021, Cheryl Sheets was elected to the China Grove City Council; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure on the Council, she has been diligent in exploring numerous grant possibilities and funding options to help revitalize the Town; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Sheets' initiative and determination in reaching out to the members of the General Assembly resulted in funding for downtown revitalization and other community development programs for China Grove; and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Sheets' hard work and perseverance have resulted in funding and increased community and relationships within the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting and proper to recognize Cheryl Sheets for her outstanding service to China Grove and Rowan County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 10th day of October, 2023.

S/ Representative Kevin Crutchfield
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative A. Reece Pyrtle, Jr.:

**RECOGNIZING PETE CROUCH AND DEBBIE CROUCH
FOR THEIR SERVICE TO THEIR COMMUNITY**

WHEREAS, Pete Crouch, a 1976 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a degree in pharmacy, has worked in hospital and community pharmacy for 47 years with numerous certifications for essential services in effective pharmacy practice; and

WHEREAS, Pete and his wife, Debbie, became the owners of Eden Drug in Eden, North Carolina, in 2006; and

WHEREAS, under Pete and Debbie Crouch's stewardship, Eden Drug has become a neighborhood-centered pharmacy serving the people in the Eden community and surrounding areas by providing numerous services through their well-trained and experienced staff, including blood pressure checks, compounding services, health screening services, and vaccines; and

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WHEREAS, Pete has been actively engaged in pharmacy practice throughout his career, serving as a past president of the Rockingham County Society of Pharmacists, pharmacist consultant for Hospice of Rockingham County, and member of the board of trustees of Morehead Memorial Hospital (now UNC Rockingham Health Care); and

WHEREAS, Pete and Debbie Crouch and their staff have contributed to their community by providing school supplies for over 1,500 children for the past nine years, annually providing Christmas gifts to local foster children, caring for thousands, often without charge, during the COVID-19 pandemic, including compounding hand sanitizer for first responders and others who needed it, and giving their support and time to many local organizations; and

WHEREAS, Pete and Debbie Crouch's unwavering commitment and dedication to providing first-class pharmacy and other community services to the people in Eden and the surrounding communities has improved their quality of life and their ability to enjoy life;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting and proper to recognize Pete and Debbie Crouch for their outstanding service to the Town of Eden and Rockingham County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 10th day of October, 2023.

S/ Representative A. Reece Pyrtle, Jr.
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Jennifer Balkcom:

OBSERVING OCTOBER 10TH AS "REAL WOMEN'S DAY"

WHEREAS, recently Riley Gaines, a former NCAA swimmer, who delayed dental school to join the efforts in protecting traditional female sports, shared a video promoting the idea of observing October 10th as "Real Women's Day"; and

WHEREAS, observing "Real Women's Day" on October 10 is significant in that the date corresponds to the Roman numerals "10/10" and would read "X/X" like the chromosomes of biological females; and

WHEREAS, Riley Gaines noticed that during Women's History month, numerous nonbiological female role models were being honored as

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trailblazing women and decided additional efforts needed to be made to support biological females; and

WHEREAS, Riley Gaines hopes her message of supporting biological females gains momentum and that observing "Real Women's Day" becomes a reality all across the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, October 10 should be observed as "Real Women's Day" to support biological females.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 10th day of October, 2023.

S/ Representative Jennifer Balkcom
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, October 12, 2023

The House meets at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of October 10 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

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S.B. 512, AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA BY CHANGING THE APPOINTMENT STRUCTURE OF THOSE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. (S.L. 2023-136) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

H.B. 600, AN ACT TO PROVIDE FURTHER REGULATORY RELIEF TO THE CITIZENS OF NORTH CAROLINA. (S.L. 2023-137) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

S.B. 678, AN ACT TO (I) DEFINE "CLEAN ENERGY," WHICH INCLUDES "RENEWABLE ENERGY" AND NUCLEAR AND FUSION ENERGY; (II) ELIMINATE LANGUAGE IMPEDING CPCN ISSUANCE FOR NUCLEAR FACILITIES; (III) MODIFY CLOSURE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS SURFACE IMPOUNDMENTS; (IV) MODIFY APPLICATIONS FEES FOR DAM CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, ALTERATION, OR REMOVAL UNDER THE DAM SAFETY ACT; (V) REQUIRE APPROVAL BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO CEDE OR TRANSFER CONTROL OVER A PUBLIC ENTERPRISE TO A NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITY; (VI) PROHIBIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM ENTERING NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ORDER TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE UNDER THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT; AND (VII) ESTABLISH EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION EXEMPTIONS FOR THE UTILITIES COMMISSION AND PUBLIC STAFF. (S.L. 2023-138) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

S.B. 749, AN ACT TO REVISE THE STRUCTURES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO MAKE CLARIFYING CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 512 OF THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION, TO MAKE ADDITIONAL CONFORMING AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO IMPLEMENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION FOR VOTING, AND TO AMEND THE TIME FOR CANDIDATES AND VACANCY APPOINTEES TO FILE STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS. (S.L. 2023-139) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

S.B. 747, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS CHANGES REGARDING ELECTIONS LAW. (S.L. 2023-140) [Became law after veto by the Governor overridden.]

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
October 10, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate failed to concur in **S.B. 68 House Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Penny, that the House adjourn at 9:48 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, October 16, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

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ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, October 16, 2023

The House meets at 2:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative John.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Diane Wheatley:

"Dear Heavenly Father,

"We ask You to protect and defend Your people throughout the world. Forgive us when we act outside Your will and forget, somehow, that You gave Your Son to die for all humanity. Keep us mindful that it is not Your will that any be lost. Grant that this Body always be a part of bringing Your peace, love, and fellowship to this world. Thank You for Your mercy, Your favor, and most of all, Your forgiveness, as all have sinned and fallen short of Your glory."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of October 12 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative Wheatley, that the House adjourn at 2:02 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, October 18 at 1:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
October 16, 2023

Mr. Speaker:

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Pursuant to the message from the Senate on October 10, 2023 informing the House of Representatives that the Senate fails to concur in **S.B. 68 House Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, the President *Pro Tempore* appoints:

Senator Hise, Chair
Senator Daniel
Senator Moffitt

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, October 18, 2023

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The House meets at 1:00 p.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Penny.

Prayer is offered by Representative Joe John.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Cervania reports the Journal of October 16 has been examined and found correct. Upon her motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

GUESTS

The Chair extends the courtesies of the floor to Johannah, Noah, and Tabetha Brown.

Representative Cervania moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 1:04 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, October 19 at 9:45 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

The Speaker appoints the following conferees on **S.B. 68** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON

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THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS: Representative B. Jones, Chair; Representatives Balkcom, Biggs, Willis, Humphrey, and Blackwell.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

The House stands adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTIETH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, October 19, 2023

The House meets at 9:45 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative White.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.:

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

"The Lord looketh from heaven; he beholdeth all the sons of men.

"From the place of his habitation he looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth.

"He fashioneth their hearts alike; he considereth all their works.

"Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy.

"Our soul waiteth for the Lord: he is our help and our shield.

"For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name.

"Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in thee.'

"Amen."

(Psalm 33:12-15, 18, 20-22)

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The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of October 18 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

The following is introduced and read the first time:

By Representatives D. Hall, Stevens, and Saine (Primary Sponsors); Penny, Sossamon, Torbett, Watford, White, and Winslow:

H.B. 898, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' DISTRICTS, is referred to the Committee on Redistricting and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative Penny, that the House adjourn at 9:54 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Monday, October 23, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIRST DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, October 23, 2023

The House meets at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Penny.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, thank You for giving us history lessons in Your Word.

"In the days of Daniel the world was churning, nations were rising and falling. His Nation of Israel was wiped off the earth like a stain.

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"Father, help us to do like Daniel did, acknowledge You as Lord, seek Your wisdom and comfort, and keep our eyes on You during this similar time.

"In Psalm 31:15, the God of Daniel can be our God, ruling and reigning in our hearts and keeping us in His hands. Nothing is too big or too bad for You, Lord. In Thy Name I pray."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative John, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of October 19 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

H.B. 415, AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE STOP ADDICTION FRAUD ETHICS (SAFE) ACT OF 2023 AND AMENDING THE LAW REGARDING EARWAX REMOVAL BY AUDIOLOGISTS. (S.L. 2023-141)

S.B. 677, AN ACT TO ALLOW A LIMITED RIGHT OF ENTRY FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND TO EXPEDITE PLAN REVIEW AND AUTHORIZE AT-RISK CONSTRUCTION PERMITTING FOR CERTAIN COMMERCIAL AND MULTIFAMILY BUILDING PROJECTS. (S.L. 2023-142) [Became law without the approval of the Governor.]

Representative John moves, seconded by Representative White, that the House adjourn at 11:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Tuesday, October 24 at 9:45 a.m.

The motion carries.

CONFEREES APPOINTED

S.B. 68 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER

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CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

The Speaker dismisses the conferees and appoints the following new conferees: Representative D. Hall, Chair, and Representative Saine.

The Senate is so notified by Special Message.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Bradford sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 154** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES. Pursuant to Rule 44(d), the Conference Report is placed on the Calendar of October 24.

The Speaker rules the Conference Report to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY FIRST SESSION 2023

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that Senator Daniel has been removed as a conferee and Senator Sawrey has been added as a conferee on **S.B. 68 House Committee Substitute (3rd Edition)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO

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AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS.

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative D. Hall sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 68** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE

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ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS. Pursuant to Rule 44(d), the Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on the Calendar of October 24.

The Speaker rules the Conference Report to be material, thus constituting its first reading.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Redistricting:

H.B. 898, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' DISTRICTS, with a favorable report as to the committee substitute bill, unfavorable as to the original bill, and recommendation that the committee substitute bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The committee substitute bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House stands adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SECOND DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, October 24, 2023

The House meets at 9:45 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 10:02 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 2:00 p.m.

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RECESS**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

H.B. 898 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' DISTRICTS, with a favorable report.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the bill is placed on the Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer is offered by Representative Nasif Majeed.

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative D. Hall, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, reports the Journal of October 23 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, Balkcom, Blackwell, Bradford, Cotham, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Humphrey, B. Jones, Kidwell, Roberson, and Carson Smith for today. Representatives Hardister and Pierce are excused for a portion of the Session.

Serving as Honorary Pages for today are Ian Collins, Parker Collins, Daniel Tower, and Wiley Tower.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

S.B. 757 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Redistricting and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

CONFERENCE REPORTS

Representative Biggs moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute for S.B. 68

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 68, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/19/23, Third Edition Engrossed 9/21/23, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/19/23, Third Edition Engrossed 9/21/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

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Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/19/23, Third Edition Engrossed 9/21/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S68-PCCS35314-STxr-5.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: October 23, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Ralph E. Hise, Chair
S/ Timothy D. Moffitt
S/ Benton G. Sawrey

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Destin Hall, Chair
S/ Jason Saine

The material Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, on its second roll call reading, by the following vote, and remains on the Calendar.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, A. Baker, K. Baker, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Crawford, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gill, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, D. Hall, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Hastings, Howard, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, Johnson, A. Jones, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 100.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Autry, Ball, Dahle, Harrison, John, and Morey - 6.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Balkcom, Blackwell, Bradford, Cotham, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Humphrey, B. Jones, Kidwell, Roberson, and Carson Smith - 12.

Representative Ross moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

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House Committee Substitute No. 2 for S.B. 154

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 154, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES, House Committee Substitute Favorable 8/16/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 9/5/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 9/20/23, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 8/16/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 9/5/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 9/20/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 8/16/23, House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 9/5/23, Fifth Edition Engrossed 9/20/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S154-PCCS15391-SVxr-2.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: October 23, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Ralph E. Hise, Chair
S/ Bill Rabon
S/ Paul Newton
S/ Jim Perry

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ John R. Bradford, III, Chair
S/ Mitchell S. Setzer
S/ Stephen M. Ross
S/ Keith Kidwell
S/ Michael H. Wray
S/ Julia C. Howard

The material Conference Report is adopted, on its second roll call reading, by the following vote, and remains on the Calendar.

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, A. Baker, K. Baker, Belk, Bell, Biggs, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, T. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Crawford, Davis, Dixon, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Fontenot, Gill, Gillespie, Goodwin,

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Greene, D. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Howard, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, Jeffers, John, Johnson, A. Jones, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Lucas, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Riddell, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Charles Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willingham, Willis, Winslow, Wray, and Zenger - 100.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Ball, Cleveland, Dahle, K. Hall, Harrison, and Hastings - 6.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, Balkcom, Blackwell, Bradford, Cotham, Crutchfield, Cunningham, Humphrey, B. Jones, Kidwell, Roberson, and Carson Smith - 12.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the following bill appears on today's Supplemental Calendar.

H.B. 898 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' DISTRICTS.

REPRESENTATIVE SETZER PRESIDING.

Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 1, which is temporarily displaced.

Representative Reives offers Amendment No. 2 which is adopted by electronic vote (106-0).

Representative Stevens offers Amendment No. 3 which is adopted by electronic vote (105-0).

Amendment No. 1, which was temporarily displaced, is before the Body.

SPEAKER MOORE PRESIDING.

Amendment No. 1 fails of adoption by electronic vote (44-63).

Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 4.

Representative Harrison withdraws Amendment No. 4.

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Representative Harrison offers Amendment No. 5 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (45-61).

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (62-44), and is read a third time.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate by Special Message.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

S.B. 759, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ELECTION DISTRICTS FOR THE WATAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ESTABLISH RESIDENCY DISTRICTS FOR THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; AND TO MODIFY THE PRIMARY PROCESS THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Redistricting and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Iler, that the House adjourn at 4:18 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, October 25 at 10:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Maria Cervania:

HONORING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF DR. GODOFREDO NG

WHEREAS, Godofredo Ng, affectionately known as Fred, was born in Boac, Marinduque, Philippines, on November 10, 1937. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of the Philippines in 1958 and his Medical Doctorate degree from the University of the Philippines Medical School in 1962; and

WHEREAS, in 1962, Dr. Ng and his wife, Anita, moved to the United States. In 1967, Dr. Ng moved to Raleigh, North Carolina, to serve as an in-house surgeon at Wake Memorial Hospital (now Wake Med). In 1969, he started his own practice and later founded the Wake Surgical Center in 1974.

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He also served on the staff at Raleigh Community (now Duke Raleigh), Wake Med, and Rex Hospitals. He was the first Asian to be elected as President of Wake Memorial Hospital. He retired from his surgical practice in 2003; and

WHEREAS, between 1995 and 2020, Dr. Ng served as the Surgical Coordinator of the Carolina Medical Mission, which he co-founded along with his wife and close friends, Drs. Arturo and Rosemary deLeon. Through their missions, over 100,000 patients in various countries who otherwise would have had little to no access to healthcare received medical care; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ng was instrumental in organizing the Filipino community in NC to create a Philippine-American organization, which became a precursor to the current PAANC (Philippine-American Association of NC). In these early days, Fred and his wife hosted the community in their own home and backyard. The Phil-Am organization was key to creating community and to fostering social and charitable involvement; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ng was a key figure in the recruitment of many Filipino nurses and healthcare workers to the area; he was a philanthropist who supported many causes, including education, medical access, leadership, and advancement in the Filipino community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ng died on April 17, 2023, leaving an outstanding legacy in the field of medicine and a prominent, lasting impact on North Carolina as an active member of the Philippine-American community until his death.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to honor the memory of Dr. Godofredo Ng and to show gratitude for his selfless devotion to the treatment of others through his medical profession and the building of community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 24th day of October, 2023.

S/ Representative Maria Cervania
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Eric Ager:

SHOWING APPRECIATION FOR BEIRUT VETERANS

WHEREAS, the United States of America has always been a symbol of peace and freedom and has achieved this stature throughout the world

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because of the selfless service of our brave veterans. From those who fought in the Revolutionary War to those currently serving in harm's way, the fearless members of our country's armed forces have given up the comforts of home, the company of loved ones, and, for some, even their own lives, to secure the blessings of liberty for many on our planet; and

WHEREAS, today, we honor those brave servicemembers who served our country as peacekeepers in Lebanon between 1982 and 1984 with courage, honor, and valor; and

WHEREAS, it has been 40 years since the deadly attack on U.S. Forces in Beirut, Lebanon, on October 23, 1983, during which 241 U.S. Marines, Navy, and Army personnel lost their lives, representing more military servicemember deaths than any other day since the Tet Offensive in the Vietnam War and more U.S. Marines deaths than in any battle since the Battle of Iwo Jima in World War II; and

WHEREAS, many consider this attack to be the beginning of America's War on Terror, which set the precedent for how our country's military approaches conflict in the Middle East. Those who sacrificed their lives and their loved ones shall not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, this act against our country has now faded into the obscurity of children's textbooks, university lectures, and most Americans' memories; The Beirut Veterans of America have a motto, "The First Duty is Remember." Our duty is to remember those who lost their lives and the families who have endured the last 40 years of sacrifice, separation, anguish, and loneliness to help keep our world free from the tyranny of radical and religious ideologies; and

WHEREAS, these men "Came in Peace" and gave the ultimate price for freedom - their lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, today, we are dedicated to honoring and recognizing the memory of those brave souls who should never be forgotten.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 24th day of October, 2023.

S/ Representative Eric Ager
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committees are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Redistricting:

S.B. 757 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

S.B. 759, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ELECTION DISTRICTS FOR THE WATAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ESTABLISH RESIDENCY DISTRICTS FOR THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; AND TO MODIFY THE PRIMARY PROCESS THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 508, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMUNITY-FUNDED AND VOLUNTEER PRISON CHAPLAINS, with a favorable report as to the House committee substitute bill, which changes the title, unfavorable as to the original bill.

Pursuant to Rule 36(b), the House committee substitute bill is placed on the Calendar of October 25. The original bill is placed on the Unfavorable Calendar.

The House stands adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-THIRD DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, October 25, 2023

The House meets at 10:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Hastings.

On motion of the Chair, the House recesses at 10:00 a.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

RECESS**CONFERENCE REPORT**

Representative Potts sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 274** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO STUDY THE ARRAY OF SERVICES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT OLDER ADULTS IN NORTH CAROLINA WHO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY AND TO REPORT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. The Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on the Calendar 36(b).

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

S.B. 758 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA SENATE DISTRICTS, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Redistricting and, if favorable, to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 68 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO ALLOW BURKE COUNTY TO USE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO THE COUNTY IN A MANNER THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH GENERAL LAW; TO CHANGE THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS TO RESIDENCY DISTRICTS; TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHEAST REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS AND AUTHORIZE THE SOUTHEAST REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO CONVEY REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE AUTHORITY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE OR LONG-TERM LEASE; TO AUTHORIZE TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY TO ESTABLISH A RURAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; AND TO CHANGE THE FILING PERIOD FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES FOR THE TOWNS OF LAUREL PARK AND MILLS RIVER.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 154 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**2023 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION 2023**

Senate Chamber
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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 274 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HOME ASSISTANCE SERVICES FROM HOME CARE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

October 25, 2023

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

S.B. 761, 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 AND TO MAKE CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS, is read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following report from standing committee is presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Redistricting:

S.B. 758 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA SENATE DISTRICTS, with a favorable report, and recommendation that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of the Speaker, the House recesses at 1:37 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1 and modifications to the Calendar, to reconvene at 2:30 p.m.

RECESS**CONFERENCE REPORT PLACED ON CALENDAR**

On motion of the Chair, the Conference Report for **S.B. 274** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO STUDY THE ARRAY OF SERVICES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT OLDER ADULTS IN NORTH CAROLINA WHO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY AND TO REPORT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, is placed on today's Calendar.

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REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The following reports from standing committee are presented:

By Representative D. Hall, Chair, for the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House:

S.B. 757 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 758 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA SENATE DISTRICTS, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 759, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ELECTION DISTRICTS FOR THE WATAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ESTABLISH RESIDENCY DISTRICTS FOR THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; AND TO MODIFY THE PRIMARY PROCESS THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

S.B. 761, 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 AND TO MAKE CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS, with a favorable report.

The bill is placed on today's Calendar.

The House reconvenes pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Caleb Rudow:

"God of the spirit of all flesh,

"Here we are before You, broken spirits, torn by grief, have mercy on us, mortals created in your Image.

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"Watch over us in a time of destruction and tragedy, terror, death and panic.

"Please, please: may our compassion be revealed, may the love within us overwhelm the harsh judgment, vengeance and evil within us.

"Behold: fierce, burning pain cries out, seeking revenge, not comfort.

"May the Divine Image rise, shining like the dawn, from our crushed hearts.

"May we have faith that we will merit to witness the goodness of the Holy One, the goodness of humankind, in the land of the living. Amen."

(Excerpted from "A Prayer for This Moment," Dr. Melila Hellner-Eshed)

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Iler reports the Journal of October 24 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

Leaves of absence are granted to Representatives Alexander, A. Baker, Ball, Bradford, T. Brown, Cotham, Cunningham, Humphrey, Jeffers, Kidwell, Lucas, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, and Winslow for today. Representative Lambeth is excused for a portion of the Session.

CALENDAR

Action is taken on the following:

CONFERENCE REPORTS

The material Conference Report for **S.B. 68** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE

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UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; AND TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS, which changes the title, is adopted on its third roll call reading, by the following vote, and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 143.)

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, K. Baker, Balkcom, Belk, Biggs, Blackwell, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Cleveland, Crawford, Crutchfield, Davis, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Gill, Gillespie, Goodwin, Greene, K. Hall, Hardister, Harris, Hastings, Hawkins, Howard, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, John, Johnson, A. Jones, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Setzer, Shepard, Charles Smith, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Wray, and Zenger - 94.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Autry, Dahle, Harrison, and Morey - 4.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, A. Baker, Ball, Bradford, T. Brown, Cotham, Cunningham, Humphrey, Jeffers, Kidwell, Lucas, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, and Winslow - 15.

The material Conference Report for **S.B. 154** (House Committee Substitute No. 2), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES, is adopted on its third roll call reading, by the following vote, and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 144.)

Those voting in the affirmative are: Speaker Moore; Representatives Adams, Ager, Alston, Arp, Autry, K. Baker, Balkcom, Belk, Biggs, Blackwell, Brisson, Brockman, Brody, G. Brown, K. Brown, Buansi, Budd, Butler, Cairns, Carney, Cervania, Chesser, Clampitt, Clemmons, Crawford, Crutchfield, Davis, Elmore, Everitt, Faircloth, Gill, Gillespie,

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Goodwin, Greene, Hardister, Harris, Hawkins, Howard, Iler, F. Jackson, N. Jackson, John, Johnson, A. Jones, Lambeth, Liu, Loftis, Lofton, Logan, Longest, Lowery, Majeed, McNeely, Miller, Mills, Morey, Moss, Paré, Penny, Pickett, Pierce, Pike, Pless, Potts, Prather, Price, Pyrtle, Quick, Reeder, Reives, Riddell, Roberson, Ross, Rudow, Saine, Sasser, Sauls, Shepard, Charles Smith, Stevens, Strickland, Torbett, Tyson, von Haefen, Ward, Warren, Watford, Wheatley, White, Willis, Wray, and Zenger - 93.

Voting in the negative: Representatives Cleveland, Dahle, K. Hall, Harrison, Hastings, and Setzer - 6.

Excused absences: Representatives Alexander, A. Baker, Ball, Bradford, T. Brown, Cotham, Cunningham, Humphrey, Jeffers, Kidwell, Lucas, Carson Smith, Sossamon, Staton-Williams, and Winslow - 15.

Representative Potts moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute for S.B. 274

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 274, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO STUDY THE ARRAY OF SERVICES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT OLDER ADULTS IN NORTH CAROLINA WHO LIVE INDEPENDENTLY AND TO REPORT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/5/23, submit the following report:

The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/5/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/5/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S274-PCCS35315-BC-4.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

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Date Conferees approved report: October 25, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Jim Perry, Chair
S/ Bradley K. Overcash

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Larry W. Potts, Chair
S/ Erin Paré
S/ Wayne Sasser
S/ Kristin Baker, M.D.

The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (94-7), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 2023-150.)

S.B. 508 (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL, CLARIFYING, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS TO THE CURRENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2023 AND TO OTHER LEGISLATION.

Representative Saine offers Amendment No. 1 which is adopted.

The bill, as amended, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (86-15), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill, as amended, passes its third reading and is ordered engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence in the House committee substitute bill by Special Message.

S.B. 761, 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 AND TO MAKE CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (60-40), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 759, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ELECTION DISTRICTS FOR THE WATAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ESTABLISH RESIDENCY DISTRICTS FOR THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; AND TO MODIFY THE PRIMARY PROCESS THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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Representative Prather offers Amendment No. 1 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (39-64).

Representative Clampitt requests and is granted leave of the House to change his vote from "aye" to "no." Representatives Lofton and Reives request and are granted leave of the House to change their votes from "no" to "aye." The adjusted vote total is (40-63).

The bill passes its second reading, by electronic vote (64-40), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

S.B. 757 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS.

Representative Quick offers Amendment No. 1 which fails of adoption by electronic vote (40-64).

The bill passes its second reading, by electronic vote (64-40), and is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Crutchfield sends forth the Conference Report on **S.B. 409** (House Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATERCRAFT; TO PROVIDE THAT MULTIPLE ACTS OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL CRIME OFFENSES MAY BE AGGREGATED IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN DETERMINING THE LEVEL OF PUNISHMENT TO BE IMPOSED; TO PROVIDE THAT PROVING IT WAS THE REGULAR PRACTICE OF A BUSINESS ACTIVITY TO MAKE A MEMORANDUM, REPORT, OR DATA COMPILATION MAY BE MADE BY AN UNSWORN DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY; TO ALLOW CIVIC YOUTH GROUPS TO ADDRESS STUDENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS DURING CIVIC FOCUS WEEKS; AND TO REQUIRE MONETARY COMPENSATION TO OWNERS OF ON-PREMISES ADVERTISEMENTS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OR UPGRADE OF NONCONFORMING SIGNS DUE TO A CHANGE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS. Without objection, the Conference Report, which changes the title, is placed on today's Calendar.

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Mr. Speaker:

It is ordered that a message be sent to the House of Representatives with the information that the Senate adopts the report of the conferees for **S.B. 409 (Conference Committee Substitute)**, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATERCRAFT; TO PROVIDE THAT MULTIPLE ACTS OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL CRIME OFFENSES MAY BE AGGREGATED IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN DETERMINING THE LEVEL OF PUNISHMENT TO BE IMPOSED; TO PROVIDE THAT PROVING IT WAS THE REGULAR PRACTICE OF A BUSINESS ACTIVITY TO MAKE A MEMORANDUM, REPORT, OR DATA COMPILATION MAY BE MADE BY AN UNSWORN DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY; TO CREATE A PILOT PROGRAM TO AUTHORIZE AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS IN STATE RIGHTS-OF-WAY; TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE OBSCENE LITERATURE AND EXHIBITIONS STATUTE; AND TO ESTABLISH AN INDEPENDENT OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, TO PRESCRIBE THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THAT OFFICE, AND TO AMEND CERTAIN FIREFIGHTER PROGRAMS.

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

Respectfully,
S/ Sarah Holland
Principal Clerk

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following Special Message is received from the Senate:

S.J.R. 760, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE

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CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING, is read the first time.

Without objection, the resolution is placed on today's Calendar.

CALENDAR (continued)

S.B. 758 (Committee Substitute), A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA SENATE DISTRICTS, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (63-40), and is read a third time.

The bill passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

CONFERENCE REPORT

Representative Pyrtle moves the adoption of the following Conference Report.

House Committee Substitute for S.B. 409

To: The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House of Representatives

The conferees appointed to resolve the differences between the Senate and the House of Representatives on Senate Bill 409, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATER-CRAFT; TO PROVIDE THAT MULTIPLE ACTS OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL CRIME OFFENSES MAY BE AGGREGATED IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN DETERMINING THE LEVEL OF PUNISHMENT TO BE IMPOSED; TO PROVIDE THAT PROVING IT WAS THE REGULAR PRACTICE OF A BUSINESS ACTIVITY TO MAKE A MEMORANDUM, REPORT, OR DATA COMPILATION MAY BE MADE BY AN UNSWORN DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY; TO ALLOW CIVIC YOUTH GROUPS TO ADDRESS STUDENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS DURING CIVIC FOCUS WEEKS; AND TO REQUIRE MONETARY COMPENSATION TO OWNERS OF ON-PREMISES ADVERTISEMENTS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OR UPGRADE OF NONCONFORMING SIGNS DUE TO A CHANGE IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS, House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/19/23, submit the following report:

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The Senate and the House agree to the following amendment to the House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/19/23, and the Senate concurs in the House Committee Substitute, as amended:

Delete the entire House Committee Substitute Favorable 9/19/23, and substitute the attached Proposed Conference Committee Substitute S409-PCCS15396-CI-13.

The conferees recommend that the Senate and the House of Representatives adopt this report.

Date Conferees approved report: October 25, 2023.

*Conferees for the
Senate*

S/ Danny Earl Britt, Jr., Chair
S/ Tom McInnis
S/ Warren Daniel

*Conferees for the
House of Representatives*

S/ Kevin Crutchfield
S/ A. Reece Pyrtle, Jr.
S/ Charles W. Miller

The Conference Report, which changes the title, is adopted, by electronic vote (94-9), and the Senate is so notified by Special Message. (The text of the Conference Committee Substitute may be found in its entirety in the 2023 Session Laws, Chapter 2023-151.)

S.J.R. 760, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING, passes its second reading, by electronic vote (80-23), and there being no objection is read a third time.

The resolution passes its third reading and is ordered enrolled.

Representative D. Hall moves, seconded by Representative Potts, that the House adjourn at 4:31 p.m., pursuant to **S.J.R. 760**, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING (RESOLUTION 2023-11), and subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, November 29, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

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A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Maria Cervania:

OBSERVING FILIPINO HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, in the month of October, we celebrate Filipino American History Month to commemorate the arrival of the first Filipinos in America in what is now Morro Bay, California, on October 18, 1587, and the generations of Filipino Americans that have immigrated to or been born on American soil since then; and

WHEREAS, this month recognizes the Filipino Americans who have positively influenced and enriched our State and our country with art, culture, science, history, and stories; and

WHEREAS, the Filipino experience is not one single narrative. It is multifaceted, fluid, and combines both Western and Eastern influences to create a history that is unique and complex; and

WHEREAS, Filipinos are the first documented group of Asian Americans to join the fabric of American life, society, and culture, as well as the third largest Asian American group in the United States. Despite their large presence and rich history, Filipino Americans are often underrepresented - even in AAPI spaces. The Filipino story is integral to the American story; and

WHEREAS, Filipino Americans have positively enriched our country as entrepreneurs, artists, small business owners, doctors, nurses, teachers, and essential workers. We honor the sacrifices of Filipino American soldiers in World War II and the U.S. Navy and Army in the Civil War. We recognize the achievements of labor organizers like Larry Itliong. We show pride for gold medalists like the Olympic diver Vicki Manalo Draves, actresses like Lea Salonga, and singers like Olivia Rodrigo; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the significant contributions of all Filipino American NGOs, media organizations, and outreach groups that help increase cultural awareness, enrichment, and community engagement to North Carolina. It is through their support and community involvement that our country has continued to flourish both culturally and economically;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is fitting to recognize the month of October, 2023, as Filipino American History Month and to make a commitment to acknowledge Filipino history, celebrate Filipino accomplishments, and create opportunities in our State for more Filipino Americans to thrive;

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 25th day of October, 2023.

S/ Representative Maria Cervania
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

ENROLLED BILLS

The following bills are duly ratified and presented to the Governor:

S.B. 274, AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HOME ASSISTANCE SERVICES FROM HOME CARE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS.

S.B. 409, AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATERCRAFT; TO PROVIDE THAT MULTIPLE ACTS OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL CRIME OFFENSES MAY BE AGGREGATED IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN DETERMINING THE LEVEL OF PUNISHMENT TO BE IMPOSED; TO PROVIDE THAT PROVING IT WAS THE REGULAR PRACTICE OF A BUSINESS ACTIVITY TO MAKE A MEMORANDUM, REPORT, OR DATA COMPILATION MAY BE MADE BY AN UNSWORN DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY; TO CREATE A PILOT PROGRAM TO AUTHORIZE AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS IN STATE RIGHTS-OF-WAY; TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE OBSCENE LITERATURE AND EXHIBITIONS STATUTE; AND TO ESTABLISH AN INDEPENDENT OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, TO PRESCRIBE THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THAT OFFICE, AND TO AMEND CERTAIN FIREFIGHTER PROGRAMS.

The following bills are properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

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S.B. 757, AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS.

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S.B. 761, 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 AND TO MAKE CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS.

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H.B. 898, AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' DISTRICTS.

The following resolution is properly enrolled, duly ratified, and sent to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.J.R. 760, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING. (RESOLUTION 2023-11)

The House stands adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOURTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, November 29, 2023

The House meets at 12:00 p.m. pursuant to **S.J.R. 760**, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING (RESOLUTION 2023-11), and is called to order by Representative Paré.

Prayer is offered by Representative Maria Cervania.

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of October 25 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative Cervania, that the House adjourn at 12:05 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, November 30 at 9:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIFTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, November 30, 2023

The House meets at 9:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Donna McDowell White:

"Father, thank You for blessing us with angels, who excel in strength, who do Your Word, and heed Your voice according to Psalm 103. Thank You for sending the angels to minister to us in sickness, stress, fear, and in jubilation. Father, at this time, please send Your angels to minister and comfort our sister in faith, Representative Rosa Gill, in the loss of her husband. Please send continuous comfort to the victims of the Israel-Hamas conflict and let Your presence be known. Thank You, Father, for being with us as we do Your work in the North Carolina General Assembly today. In Thy Name I pray. Amen."

The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Chesser reports the Journal of November 29 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

Representative Chesser moves, seconded by Representative White, that the House adjourn at 9:22 a.m., pursuant to **S.J.R. 760**, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING (RESOLUTION 2023-11), and subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

A REPRESENTATIVE STATEMENT

Submitted by Representative Allen Chesser:

HONORING BERRY ROBERT BROWN

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown joined the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department on October 1, 1973; and

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WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown served as Fire Chief of the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department from 1985 to 2006 and again from 2015 to 2022; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown served as President of the Board of Directors for the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department from 2006 to 2015; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown helped raise large amounts of money for the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department through the department's annual chicken cooking and, for many years, sold Christmas trees to offset the costs of the department; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown's commitment to public safety in Nash County includes his work in helping start the Nash County First Responder Program in 1991 and bringing the first custom cab engine to Nash County in 1990; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown helped open a substation at Dortches Town Hall to serve a wider area of the community in the early 1990s and helped get a Nash County EMS ambulance stationed in the Red Oak and Dortches area at Station 600 in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown's work with the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department helped drop the department's ISO rating from a 9s to a 6s in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown started part-time paid staff for the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department in 2004 and worked with a committee of Nash County Fire Chiefs to come up with a system for numbering and naming fire apparatus across the county in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown helped with the construction and opening of a new fire station in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown assisted in Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department becoming a rescue department within the county in 2021, providing better coverage for the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown is a lifelong resident of Dortches, where he has served as a town commissioner since 1989, and is a deacon and choir member of Dortches Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Berry Robert Brown retired from the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department on October 19, 2023;

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NOW, THEREFORE, Berry Robert Brown deserves to be recognized for his contributions to public safety in Nash County and congratulated for his fifty years of service to the Red Oak Volunteer Fire Department and the community at large.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned certifies that the foregoing statement was read in the House and placed upon the Journal on the 30th day of November, 2023.

S/ Representative Allen Chesser
S/ James White, House Principal Clerk

The House stands adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SIXTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, December 20, 2023

The House meets at 12:00 p.m. pursuant to **S.J.R. 760**, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING (RESOLUTION 2023-11), and is called to order by the Speaker.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Howard Penny, Jr.:

"Gracious Heavenly Father,

"We come to end on the 2023 Session of the North Carolina General Assembly.

"Thank You for Your blessings on this Body and all the staff that supports us.

"We pray for peace both at home and around the world at this Advent Season.

"We pray for all those who serve so that we may enjoy an abundant life.

"In Christ's Name. Amen."

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The Speaker leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Clampitt reports the Journal of November 30 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

There are no excused absences for today.

CHAPTERED BILLS

The following bills are properly enrolled, assigned a chapter number, and presented to the office of the Secretary of State:

S.B. 68, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE, THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK, AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTIES TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO; TO CHANGE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WHITEVILLE CITY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT; TO PROHIBIT HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OR UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION REGULATION OR PROHIBITION OF DISPLAYS OF FLAGS OF BRANCHES OF THE ARMED FORCES OR FLAGS OF FIRST RESPONDERS BY OR WITH THE PERMISSION OF OWNERS ON THEIR PROPERTY IN UNION COUNTY; TO PROVIDE THAT REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS FOR THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON AND THE TOWN OF WALSTONBURG SHALL BE HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS; TO ALLOW BURKE COUNTY TO USE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO THE COUNTY IN A MANNER THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH GENERAL LAW; TO CHANGE THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTIONS TO RESIDENCY DISTRICTS; TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTHEAST REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS AND AUTHORIZE THE SOUTHEAST REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO CONVEY REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE AUTHORITY BY PRIVATE NEGOTIATION AND SALE OR LONG-TERM LEASE; TO AUTHORIZE TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY TO ESTABLISH A RURAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; AND TO CHANGE THE FILING PERIOD FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICES FOR THE TOWNS OF LAUREL PARK AND MILLS RIVER. (S.L. 2023-143)

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S.B. 154, AN ACT TO MAKE VARIOUS OCCUPANCY TAX CHANGES. (S.L. 2023-144)

S.B. 757, AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS. (S.L. 2023-145)

S.B. 758, AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA SENATE DISTRICTS. (S.L. 2023-146)

S.B. 759, AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ELECTION DISTRICTS FOR THE WATAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ESTABLISH RESIDENCY DISTRICTS FOR THE ANSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; AND TO MODIFY THE PRIMARY PROCESS THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION. (S.L. 2023-147)

S.B. 761, 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 AND TO MAKE CORRECTIONS TO PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS. (S.L. 2023-148)

H.B. 898, AN ACT TO REALIGN THE NORTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES' DISTRICTS. (S.L. 2023-149)

S.B. 274, AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO EXEMPT CERTAIN HOME ASSISTANCE SERVICES FROM HOME CARE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS. (S.L. 2023-150)

S.B. 409, AN ACT TO AMEND THE OFFENSE OF BREAKING OR ENTERING INTO OR BREAKING OUT OF RAILROAD CARS, MOTOR VEHICLES, TRAILERS, AIRCRAFT, BOATS, OR OTHER WATERCRAFT; TO PROVIDE THAT MULTIPLE ACTS OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL CRIME OFFENSES MAY BE AGGREGATED IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN DETERMINING THE LEVEL OF PUNISHMENT TO BE IMPOSED; TO PROVIDE THAT PROVING IT WAS THE REGULAR PRACTICE OF A BUSINESS ACTIVITY TO MAKE A MEMORANDUM, REPORT, OR DATA COMPILATION MAY BE MADE BY AN UNSWORN DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY; TO CREATE A PILOT PROGRAM TO AUTHORIZE AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS IN STATE RIGHTS-OF-WAY; TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES TO THE OBSCENE LITERATURE AND EXHIBITIONS

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STATUTE; AND TO ESTABLISH AN INDEPENDENT OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, TO PRESCRIBE THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THAT OFFICE, AND TO AMEND CERTAIN FIREFIGHTER PROGRAMS. (S.L. 2023-151)

Representative Clampitt moves, seconded by Representative Ward, that the House adjourn at 12:05 p.m., subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Thursday, December 21 at 11:00 a.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, December 21, 2023

The House meets at 11:00 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by Representative Paré.

The following prayer is offered by Representative Joe John:

"Lord, as we gather here in service on this day,

"We ask that, during this blessed season, the love of Your Son, whose birth we celebrate, be with all Members of this Chamber, whether present or not, and His peace surround them;

"That this be for us a time of reconciliation and peace, a time of healing, giving, and sharing;

"And, finally, we ask that the spirit of this season remain with us and in our hearts during all the New Year.

"All these things we humbly ask in Thy Name. Amen."

The Chair leads the Body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Penny reports the Journal of December 20 has been examined and found correct. Upon his motion, the Journal is approved as written.

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There are no excused absences for today.

Representative Penny moves, seconded by Representative John, that the House adjourn at 11:02 a.m., pursuant to **S.J.R. 760**, A JOINT RESOLUTION ADJOURNING THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO A DATE CERTAIN AND LIMITING THE MATTERS THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED UPON RECONVENING (RESOLUTION 2023-11), and subject to the standard stipulations in Rule 15.1, to reconvene Wednesday, January 17, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

The motion carries.

Nothing having been received, the House stands adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

December 21, 2023

It will be noted that a number of bills and resolutions passed second reading and then were read a third time on the same day.

Rule 41(b) states:

No bill shall be read more than once on the same day without the concurrence of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present and voting.

In order to comply with this Rule, no bill which has passed its second reading is read a third time except:

- (1) When a member moves that the Rule be suspended, and this motion carries by at least a two-thirds vote of the members present.
- (2) When the Chair determines that there is no objection from any member present. This constitutes unanimous consent of those members present that Rule 41(b) be suspended.

In these cases, the bill is read a third time.

James White
Principal Clerk

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H.R. 1, A HOUSE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TEMPORARY RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The temporary rules of the Regular Session of the House of Representatives of the 2023 General Assembly are:

**TEMPORARY RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FOR THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE 2023 GENERAL
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I. Order of Business

RULE 1. Convening Hour, Limitation on Legislative Sessions. -

The House shall convene each legislative day at the hour fixed by the House. In the event the House adjourns on the preceding legislative day without having fixed an hour for reconvening, the House shall convene on the next legislative day at 2:00 P.M. During January and February of 2023, no sessions may be held on Friday. Without leave of the House, no session shall continue after 10:00 P.M. on Monday nor after 9:00 P.M. on any other days, and the Speaker shall adjourn the House without motion at that point, except that a motion may be made as to the time and day of next convening. Except for votes on motions to approve the journal and to adjourn, no votes may be held on any Sunday.

RULE 1.1. Emergencies. - (a) 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 Speaker where and when the House will convene.

(b) In the event of a State of Emergency that threatens the health and safety of members, the Speaker may invoke the modifications to these rules contained in and pursuant to Rule 58.1. The Speaker may terminate the use of the modifications upon 24 hours' written notice to the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, and the Principal Clerk.

RULE 2. Opening the Session. - The Sergeant-at-Arms shall clear the House 10 minutes before the convening hour. At the convening hour on each legislative day, the Speaker shall call the members to order and shall

have the session opened with prayer. At the convening hour, the Speaker, or the Speaker's designee, shall lead the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

RULE 3. Quorum. - (a) A quorum consists of a majority of the qualified members of the House.

(b) Should the point of a quorum be raised, the doors shall be closed, and the Clerk shall call the roll of the House, after which the names of those not responding shall again be called. In the absence of a quorum, 15 members are authorized to compel the attendance of absent members and may order that absentees for whom no sufficient excuses are made be taken into custody wherever they may be found by special messenger appointed for that purpose.

RULE 4. Approval of Journal. - (a) The Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House shall cause the Journal of the House to be examined daily before the hour of convening to determine if the proceedings of the previous day have been correctly recorded.

(b) Immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Speaker shall call for the Journal report by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, or by a Representative designated by the Chair, as to whether the proceedings of the previous day have been correctly recorded. Without objection, the Speaker shall cause the Journal to stand approved.

RULE 5. Order of Business of the Day. - After the approval of the Journal of the preceding day, unless the Speaker varies or alters the order, the House shall proceed to business in the following order:

- (1) The receiving of petitions, memorials, and papers addressed to the General Assembly or to the House;
- (2) Messages from the Governor;
- (3) Ratification of bills;
- (4) Reports of standing committees;
- (5) Reports of select committees;
- (6) First reading and referral to committee of bills and resolutions;
- (7) Messages from the Senate;
- (8) Concurrence with Senate amendments or Senate committee substitutes;
- (9) The unfinished business of the preceding day;
- (10) Calendar (each category in accordance with Rule 40 - House bills first):
 - a. Resolutions for adoption
 - b. Conference reports for adoption
 - c. Local bills (roll call), third reading
 - d. Local bills (roll call), second reading
 - e. Local bills, third reading
 - f. Local bills, second reading

- g. Public bills (roll call), third reading
- h. Public bills (roll call), second reading
- i. Public bills and resolutions, third reading
- j. Public bills and resolutions, second reading;

- (11) Reading of notices and announcements;
- (12) Reading of Representative Statements.

RULE 5.1. Pro Forma Sessions. - (a) The following motions, votes, and matters and no others are in order during a pro forma session:

- (1) A motion and vote to approve the Journal;
- (2) The receiving of petitions, memorials, and papers addressed to the General Assembly or to the House;
- (3) Messages from the Governor;
- (4) Ratification of bills;
- (5) Reports of standing committees;
- (6) First reading and referral to committee of bills and resolutions;
- (7) Re-referral to committee of bills and resolutions;
- (8) Reading of Representative Statements approved, in writing, for presentation during the pro forma session by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House;
- (9) Messages from the Senate;
- (10) Submission of conference reports;
- (11) A motion and vote to adjourn subject to the standard stipulations under Rule 15.1.

(b) As used in these rules, a pro forma session occurs when the Speaker notifies the body, either by announcement in the chamber or electronically using the General Assembly email system, that no motions, votes, or matters other than those allowed under subsection (a) of this rule will be taken during a future designated session.

II. Conduct of Debate

RULE 6. Duties and Powers of the Speaker. - The Speaker shall have general direction of the Hall, subject to more specific provisions of these rules. The Speaker may name any member to perform the duties of the chair, but substitution shall not extend beyond one day, except in the case of sickness or by leave of the House. If the Speaker is absent and has not designated a member or the Principal Clerk to perform the duties of the chair, the Speaker Pro Tempore shall preside during such absence. In the case of a vacancy in the office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Principal Clerk shall preside over the House until the House elects a Speaker.

RULE 7. Obtaining Floor. - (a) When any member desires recognition for any purpose, the member shall rise and respectfully address the Speaker. No member shall proceed until recognized by the Speaker for a purpose.

(b) When a member desires to interrupt a member having the floor, the member shall first obtain recognition by the Speaker and permission of the member occupying the floor, and when such recognition and permission have been obtained, he or she may propound a question to the member occupying the floor; but he or she shall not otherwise interrupt the member having the floor, except as provided in subsection (c) of this rule; and the Speaker shall, without the point of order being raised, enforce this rule.

(c) A member 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,
- (3) A parliamentary inquiry, or
- (4) A question of privilege.

RULE 8. Questions of Privilege. - Upon recognition by the Speaker for that purpose, any member may speak to a question of privilege for a time not to exceed three minutes. Questions of privilege shall be those affecting, first, the rights of the House collectively, its safety, dignity, and the integrity of its proceedings; second, the rights, reputation, and conduct of members, individually, in their representative capacity only; and shall have precedence over all other questions, except motions to adjourn. Privilege may not be used to explain a vote or debate a bill. The Speaker shall determine if the question is one of privilege and shall, without the point of order being raised, enforce this rule.

RULE 8.1. Points of Personal Privilege; Representative Statements; Explanation of Vote. - Upon recognition by the Speaker for that purpose, any member may speak to a point of personal privilege for a time not exceeding three minutes. The Speaker shall determine if the question raised is one of personal privilege and shall, without the point of order being raised, enforce this rule. A member may use some or all of that time to explain to the House a "Representative Statement." Upon motion supported by a majority present and voting, that statement may be spread upon the Journal. Neither personal privilege nor a Representative Statement may be used to explain a vote, debate a bill, or in any way disrupt the regular business of the House, nor shall such opportunities be used to solicit support or sponsors for any bill. The format of a Representative Statement shall be prescribed by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, but in any case shall speak only in the voice of the member submitting it.

RULE 9. Points of Order. - (a) The Speaker shall decide questions of order, which once raised, are not debatable. Any member may appeal from the ruling of the chair on questions of order; on such appeal no member may speak more than once, unless by leave of the House. A three-fifths vote of the members present shall be necessary to sustain any appeal from the ruling of the chair.

(b) When the Speaker calls a member to order, the member shall be seated, except that a member called to order may clear a matter of fact, or explain, but shall not proceed in debate so long as the decision stands. If the member appeals from the ruling of the chair and the decision by a three-fifths vote of the members present be in favor of the member called to order, the member may proceed; if otherwise, the member shall not; and if the case, in the judgment of the House, requires it, the member shall be liable to censure by the House.

RULE 10. Limitations on Debate. - (a) No member shall speak on, debate, or solicit cosponsors for a bill or resolution at its first reading.

(b) No member shall speak more than twice on the main question nor longer than 15 minutes for the first speech and five minutes for the second speech; nor shall the member speak more than twice upon an amendment or a motion to reconsider, re-refer, or postpone or any motion on concurrence, and then not longer than 10 minutes for the first speech and five minutes for the second speech.

(c) A member may speak only once and for not more than 10 minutes on the question of the adoption of a minority report.

(d) In computing the time allowed for argument, the time consumed in answering questions should be considered and is taken out of any time allowed that member.

(e) The House, by consent of a majority of the members present, may suspend the operation of subsections (b) through (d) of this rule during any debate on any particular question before the House.

RULE 11. Reading of Papers. - When there is a call for the reading of the text of a paper which has been presented to the House and there is objection to such reading, the question shall be determined by a majority vote of the members of the House present. Except for protests permitted by the Constitution, no member may have material printed in the Journal until said material has been presented to the House and the printing approved by the House, and said material shall not exceed 1,000 words.

RULE 12. General Decorum. - (a) The Speaker shall preserve order and decorum.

(b) Decency of speech shall be observed and disrespect to personalities carefully avoided.

(c) When the Speaker is putting any question or addressing the House, no person shall speak, stand up, walk out of, or cross the House, nor, when a member is speaking, engage in disruptive discourse or pass between the member and the chair.

(d) Food shall not be permitted on the floor of the House during the first hour of the daily session.

(e) The reading of newspapers shall not be permitted on the floor of the House while the House is in session.

(f) The consumption of food or beverages shall not be permitted in the galleries at any time.

(g) Special recitals and performances by musicians or other groups shall not be permitted on the floor of the House, and special guests of members of the House shall not be permitted on the floor of the House.

(h) Members shall observe appropriate attire: coat and tie for male members and dignified dress for female members.

(i) The use of a mobile device or cellular phone for the purpose of making or receiving a phone call shall not be permitted in the House Chamber while the House is in session.

(j) Placards, stickers, or signs are not permitted in the House Chamber.

III. Motions

RULE 13. Motions Generally. - (a) A motion that is complex, complicated, or otherwise not easily understood shall be reduced to writing at the request of the Speaker or any member. No motion relating to a bill shall be in order that does not identify the bill by its number and short title.

(b) When a motion is made, it shall be stated by the Speaker or, if written, it shall be handed to the chair and read aloud by the Speaker or Clerk before debate.

(c) After a motion has been stated by the Speaker or read by the Speaker or Clerk, it shall be in the possession of the House; but it may be withdrawn before a decision or amendment, except in case of a motion to reconsider, which motion, when made by a member, shall be in possession of the House and shall not be withdrawn without leave of the House.

RULE 14. Motions, Order of Precedence. - When there are motions before the House, the order of precedence is as follows:

To adjourn.

To recess.

To lay on the table.

Previous question.

To postpone indefinitely.

To reconsider.

To postpone to a day certain.

To re-refer.

To amend an amendment.

To amend.

To pass the bill.

No motion to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to re-refer, to divide the question, or to make a particular amendment, being decided, shall be again allowed at the same stage of the bill or proposition.

RULE 15. Motion to Adjourn. - (a) A motion to adjourn shall be seconded before the motion is put to the vote of the House.

(b) A motion to adjourn shall be decided without debate and shall always be in order, except when the House is voting or some member is speaking; but a motion to adjourn shall not follow a motion to adjourn until debate or some other business of the House has intervened.

RULE 15.1. 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 the ratification of bills, messages from the Senate, committee reports, conference reports, referral and re-referral of bills and resolutions, appointment of conferees, introduction of bills and resolutions, committee appointments, and the reading of Representative Statements.

RULE 16. Motion to Table. - (a) A motion to table shall be seconded before the motion is put to the vote of the House and is in order except when a motion to adjourn or to recess is before the House.

(b) A motion to table shall be decided without debate; however, the proponent of the matter that is subject of the motion to table shall be given up to two minutes to explain the matter subject to the motion to table if the proponent has not previously explained the matter prior to the motion to table.

(c) A motion to table a bill shall constitute a motion to table the bill and all amendments thereto.

(d) When the question before the House is the adoption of an amendment to a bill or resolution, a motion to table the bill is not in order; and a motion to table an amendment applies to the amendment only, and the motion may not expressly or by implication or construction be expanded to include a motion to table the bill also.

(e) When a question has been tabled, it shall not thereafter be considered, except on motion to reconsider under Rule 18 or to remove from the table approved by a two-thirds vote.

RULE 17. Motion to Postpone Indefinitely. - A motion to postpone indefinitely is in order except when a motion to adjourn, or to lay on the table, or for the previous question, or to recess is before the House. However, after one motion to postpone indefinitely has been decided, another motion to postpone indefinitely shall not be allowed at the same stage of the bill or proposition. When a question has been postponed indefinitely, it shall not thereafter be considered, except on motion to reconsider under Rule 18 or to place on the favorable calendar approved by a two-thirds vote.

RULE 18. Motion to Reconsider. - (a) When a question has been decided, it is in order for any member to move for the reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding legislative day; provided that if the vote by which the motion was originally decided was taken by a recorded vote, only a member of the prevailing side may move for reconsideration.

(b) A motion to reconsider shall be determined by a majority vote, except all of the following shall require a two-thirds vote:

- (1) A motion to reconsider not made on the same or the succeeding legislative day when a question has been decided.
- (2) A second or subsequent motion to reconsider.
- (3) A motion to reconsider:
 - a. A vote upon a motion to table.
 - b. A motion to postpone indefinitely.
 - c. A motion to remove a bill from the unfavorable calendar.
 - d. A motion that a bill be read twice on the same day.
 - e. A motion to remove from the table.

(c) A motion to reconsider the vote by which a person has been elected as Speaker or Speaker Pro Tempore shall not be in order. This subsection of this rule cannot be suspended except by a vote of three-fifths of all the members of the House.

RULE 19. Previous Question. - (a) The previous question may be called only by:

- (1) The Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House;
- (1a) The Vice-Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House if the Chair is not in the Chamber or able to participate in debate;
- (2) The Majority Leader;
- (3) The member submitting the report on the bill or other matter under consideration;
- (4) The member introducing the bill or other matter under consideration;
- (5) The member in charge of the measure, who shall be designated by the chair of the standing committee reporting the same to the House at the time the bill or other matter under consideration is reported to the House or taken up for consideration.

(b) When the call for the previous question has been decided in the affirmative by a majority vote of the House, the question is on the passage of the bill, resolution, or other matter under consideration.

(c) The call for the previous question shall preclude all motions, amendments, and debate, except the motion to adjourn, motion to recess, or motion to table.

(d) If the previous question is decided in the negative, the question remains under debate.

(e) After the previous question is ordered by the House on the main question of second or third reading, the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader may each allocate three minutes of debate on the question. The Majority Leader and the Minority Leader may each designate another member to act under this subsection.

IV. Voting

RULE 20. 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) The passage as required by Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution on second and third readings of any bill:
 - a. Raising money on the credit of the State,
 - b. Pledging the faith of the State for the payment of a debt,
 - c. Imposing a State tax, or
 - d. Authorizing a county, municipality, or other local governmental unit to:
 1. Raise money on its credit,
 2. Pledge its faith for the payment of a debt, or
 3. Impose a local tax.
- (2) All questions on which a call for the ayes and noes under Rule 24(a) and Section 19 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution has been sustained.
- (3) Both second and third readings of bills proposing amendment of the North Carolina Constitution or ratifying resolutions amending the United States Constitution.
- (4) The passage of a bill, notwithstanding the Governor's veto thereof, pursuant to Section 22 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution.

(b) Votes on the following questions shall be taken on the electronic voting system:

- (1) Second reading of all public bills except resolutions, all amendments to public bills, third reading if a public bill was amended after second reading or if the reading occurs on a day or days following the second reading, all conference reports on public bills, all motions to lay public bills on the table, and all motions to postpone public bills indefinitely.
- (2) Upon a call for division.
- (3) Any other question upon direction of the Speaker or upon motion of any member supported by one-fifth of the members present.

(c) When the electronic voting system is used, 15 seconds shall be allowed for voting on the question before the House, unless the Chair shall direct otherwise. Once the system is locked, the vote shall be recorded and printed.

(d) The voting station at each member's desk in the Chamber shall be used only by the member to which the station is assigned. Under no circumstances shall any other person vote at a member's station. It is a breach of the ethical obligation of a member either to request that another person vote at the requesting member's station or to vote at another member's station. The Speaker shall enforce this rule without exception.

(e) When the electronic voting system is used, the Speaker shall state the question and shall then state substantially the following: "All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'no'; the Clerk will open the vote." In order to have the vote recorded, the member must vote by the electronic voting system within the time allowed for that vote, unless the voting station assigned to a member is malfunctioning. The Speaker shall enforce this rule without exception. After the allotted time for voting has elapsed, the Speaker shall say: "The Clerk will now lock the machine and record the vote." After the machine is locked and the vote recorded, the Speaker shall announce the vote and declare the result.

(f) One copy of the machine printout of the vote record of all votes taken on the electronic voting system shall be filed in the office of the Principal Clerk, and two copies shall be filed in the Legislative Library where the copies shall be open to public inspection. A legible copy of the bill, amendment, or motion on which the vote was taken shall be filed with the printout of the vote in the Legislative Library.

(g) When the Speaker ascertains that the electronic voting system is inoperative before a vote is taken or while a vote is being taken on the electronic voting system, the Speaker shall announce that fact to the House, and any partial electronic voting system voting record shall be voided. In such a case, if the North Carolina Constitution or the Rules of the House require a call of the ayes and noes, the Clerk shall call the roll of the House, and the ayes and noes shall be taken manually and shall be recorded on the Journal. All roll call votes shall be taken alphabetically. If, after a vote is taken on the electronic voting system, it is discovered that a malfunction caused an error in the electronic voting system printout, the Speaker shall direct the Reading Clerk and the Principal Clerk to verify and correct the printout record and so advise the House.

(h) For the purpose of identifying motions on which the vote is taken on the electronic voting system, the motions are coded as follows:

- (1) To adjourn.
- (2) To recess.
- (3) To lay on the table.
- (4) Previous question.
- (5) To postpone indefinitely.
- (6) To reconsider.
- (7) To postpone to a day certain.
- (8) To re-refer.
- (9) To amend an amendment.
- (10) To amend.
- (11) To concur or not concur.
- (12) Miscellaneous.

RULE 21. Voice Votes; Stating Questions. - (a) All other votes except those required to be taken on the electronic voting system may be taken by voice vote.

(b) When a voice vote is taken, the Speaker shall put the question substantially as follows: "Those in favor (as the question may be) will say 'aye,'" and after the affirmative voice has been expressed, "Those opposed will say 'no.'"

(c) No statement, explanation, debate, motion, parliamentary inquiry, or point of order shall be allowed once the voice vote has begun. Any point of order or parliamentary inquiry may be raised, however, after the completion of the vote.

RULE 22. Determining Questions. - (a) Unless otherwise provided by the North Carolina Constitution or by these rules, all questions shall be determined by a simple majority of the members present and voting.

(b) No member may vote unless the member is in the Chamber when the question is put. This subsection of this rule cannot be suspended.

RULE 23. Voting by Division. - Any member may call for a division of the members upon the question before the result of the vote has been announced. Upon a call for a division, the Speaker shall cause the number voting in the affirmative and in the negative to be determined. Upon a division and count of the House on any question, no member away from the member's seat shall be counted.

RULE 24. Roll Call Vote. - (a) Before a question is put, any member may call for the ayes and noes. If the call is sustained by one-fifth of the members present, the question shall be decided by the ayes and noes upon a roll call vote.

(b) Every member who is in the Hall of the House when the question is put shall vote upon a call of the ayes and noes, unless excused pursuant to Rule 24.1A.

(c) No member may change a vote without leave of the House, but such leave shall not be granted if it affects the result or if the session in which the vote was taken has been adjourned.

RULE 24.1A. Excuse From Deliberations and Voting on a Bill. -

(a) Any member shall, upon request, be excused in advance from the deliberations and voting on a particular bill at any time that the reason for the request arises in the proceedings on the bill.

(b) The member may make a brief oral statement of the reasons for making the request. The member shall provide to the Principal Clerk, on a form provided by the Clerk, a concise written statement of the reason for the request, and the Clerk shall include this statement in the Journal.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this rule, the member 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, in committee or on the floor of the House at any reading, or any subsequent consideration of the bill.

(d) A member may request that his or her excuse from deliberations on a particular bill be withdrawn.

(e) By leave of the House, a member who has been excused from deliberations and voting on a bill may participate in deliberations and votes on amendments to which that member does not have any conflict that requires excusal.

RULE 24.1B. Division of Amendments and Questions. - (a) Any member may call for an amendment to be divided into two or more amendments to be voted on separately. The motion shall be in writing, must be submitted to the Principal Clerk at the time the motion is made, and must clearly state how the question is to be divided. The Speaker shall determine whether the amendment admits of such a division. Upon a majority vote of the members present and voting, the motion shall be adopted and the body shall debate and vote each amendment separately.

(b) Any member may call for a bill to be divided into two or more propositions to be voted on separately, provided the bill is subject to division into separate parts so that each part states a separate and distinct proposition capable of standing alone. The motion shall be in writing, must be submitted to the Principal Clerk at the time the motion is made, and must clearly state how the question is to be divided. The Speaker shall then determine whether the bill admits of such a division. Upon a majority vote of the members present and voting, the motion shall be adopted and there shall be no further amendment or debate as to further division of the distinct propositions. If the question is divided, the body shall debate and vote each proposition separately. If any proposition fails, the bill shall be removed from the calendar and re-referred to the committee from which the bill was reported. If all parts of the divided question pass, the Speaker shall announce that the entire measure has passed second or third reading. No conference report and no Current Operations Appropriations Bill is eligible to be divided under this subsection.

RULE 25. Voting by Speaker. - In all elections, the Speaker may vote. In all other instances, the Speaker may vote or may reserve this right until there is a tie, in which event the Speaker may vote; but in no instance may the Speaker vote twice on the same question.

V. Committees

RULE 26. Standing Committees Generally. - (a) The Speaker shall appoint a chair, or cochairs, of every standing committee, and select committee, if any. In the construction of these rules, the word "chair," as applied to a committee, extends to and includes a cochair of the committee. The Speaker shall have the exclusive right and authority to establish select committees, but this does not exclude the right of the House by resolution to establish select committees.

(b) The Speaker shall establish the number of members of each standing committee and appoint the members in a manner to reflect the partisan membership of the House, except that the Committee on Ethics shall have an equal number of members of the majority and minority.

(c) Before appointing members of committees, the Speaker shall consult with the Minority Leader. The Speaker and Minority Leader shall consider members' committee preferences in making appointments and recommendations.

(d) The Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, the Speaker Pro Tempore, the Majority Leader, and the Deputy Majority Leader are ex officio members of each standing committee with the right to vote. The previous sentence does not apply to the Standing Committee on Ethics. Up to two chairs of the Appropriations Committee are entitled to vote in all other Appropriations Committees (Capital, Education, General Government, Health and Human Services, Information Technology, Justice and Public Safety, Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources, and Transportation).

(e) Either the chair or acting chair, designated by the chair or by the Speaker, and five other members of the standing committee, or a majority of the standing committee, whichever is fewer, shall constitute a quorum of that standing committee. A quorum of less than a majority of all the members must include at least one member of the minority party. For purposes of determining a quorum, the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, the Speaker Pro Tempore, the Majority Leader, and the Deputy Majority Leader, when serving only as ex officio members under subsection (d) of this rule, shall be counted among the membership of the committee only when present.

(f) In any joint meeting of the Senate and House committees, the House standing committee reserves the right to vote separately.

RULE 26.1. Mentions of Standing Committee Includes Select Committee. - Any reference in these rules to standing committees shall extend to select committees unless the context requires otherwise.

RULE 27. List of Standing Committees. - The standing committees are:

Committees

Agriculture

Alcoholic Beverage Control

Appropriations

Appropriations, Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources

Appropriations, Capital

Appropriations, Education

Appropriations, General Government

Appropriations, Health and Human Services

Appropriations, Information Technology

Appropriations, Justice and Public Safety

Appropriations, Transportation

Banking

Commerce

Disaster Recovery and Homeland Security

Education - Community Colleges

Education - K-12

Education - Universities

Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform

Energy and Public Utilities

Environment

Ethics

Families, Children, and Aging Policy

Federal Relations and American Indian Affairs

Finance

Health

Insurance

Judiciary 1

Judiciary 2

Judiciary 3

Local Government - Land Use, Planning and Development

Local Government

Marine Resources and Aquaculture

Military and Veterans Affairs

Oversight and Reform

Pensions and Retirement

Redistricting

Regulatory Reform

Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

State Government

State Personnel

Transportation

UNC Board of Governors Nominations

Wildlife Resources

RULE 28. Standing Committee Meetings. - (a) Standing committees shall be furnished with suitable meeting places pursuant to a schedule established by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Select committees shall be furnished with suitable meeting places as their needs require by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

(b) Subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of this rule, standing committees thereof shall permit other members of the General Assembly, the press, and the general public to attend all sessions of said standing committees.

(c) The chair or other presiding officer shall have general direction of the meeting place of the standing committee, and, in case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct therein, or if the peace, good order, and proper conduct of the legislative business is hindered by any person or persons, the chair or presiding officer shall have power to exclude from the session any individual or individuals so hindering the legislative business.

(d) Procedure in the standing committees shall be governed by the rules of the House, so far as the same may be applicable to such procedure. Before a question is put, any member may call for the ayes and noes. The chair shall ask, "Is the call sustained?" If the call is sustained by one-fifth of the members present and standing, the question shall be decided by the ayes and noes upon a roll call vote. All roll call votes shall be taken alphabetically and shall be subject to Rule 21(c).

(d1) The committee chair shall set the agenda for each committee meeting. After April 1, 2023, a committee may, provided there is a written request signed by at least two-thirds of the members of the committee, place a bill on the committee's agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting of the committee.

(e) No standing committee shall meet on any day when the House shall not convene except by permission of the Speaker or by approval of the House by resolution adopted by a majority vote of the House.

(f) No standing committee shall meet during any session of the House that is not a pro forma session. Standing committees shall meet at their regularly scheduled hour. Standing committees may meet at other times as authorized by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House in order to assure the availability of the meeting room and that no conflicts will exist with the meetings of other bodies. Except for a meeting of a standing committee for which the Speaker has given notice that the House will be at ease until the adjournment of that standing committee, all standing committee meetings shall adjourn no later than:

- (1) 15 minutes preceding a regular session of the House, and
- (2) 10 minutes preceding the hour of the next regularly scheduled standing committee meeting.

Action taken by a committee in violation of this rule is voidable unless taken by unanimous consent at a meeting at which a majority of all the members of the committee are present, and at which at least one member present is of the minority party.

(g) Any call or notice of a standing committee meeting between legislative sessions shall be sent by electronic mail to each member of the standing committee at least five days prior to such meeting. If a member of the body so requests in writing to the chair of the standing committee, the member shall also be notified of the meetings by mail at a designated address.

(h) During standing committee meetings, the chair may exercise the right to vote, or may reserve this right until there is a tie, in which event the chair may vote, but in no instance may the chair vote twice on the same question.

RULE 28.1. Ethics Committee Investigations Into Violations of the Open Meetings Law. - (a) On its own motion, or in response to signed and sworn complaint of any individual filed with the Standing Committee on Ethics, the Committee shall inquire into any alleged violation by members of the House of the Open Meetings Law (Article 33C of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes), as the same may be amended in the future.

(b) If, after such preliminary investigation as it may make, the Committee determines to proceed with an inquiry into the conduct of any individual, the Committee shall notify the individual as to the fact of the inquiry and the charges against the individual and shall schedule one or more hearings on the matter. The individual shall have the right to present evidence, cross-examine witnesses, and be represented by counsel at any hearings.

(c) After the Committee has concluded its inquiries into the alleged violations, the Committee shall dispose of the matter by taking one of the following actions:

- (1) Dismiss the complaint and take no further action.
- (2) Issue a private letter of reprimand to the legislator, if the legislator unintentionally violated the provisions of the Open Meetings Law.
- (3) Issue a public letter of reprimand if the violation of the Open Meetings Law was intentional or if the legislator has previously received a private letter of reprimand. The Chair of the Committee on Ethics shall have the public letter of reprimand spread on the pages of the House Journal.
- (4) Refer the matter to the House for appropriate action.

RULE 28.2. Committee Meetings; Use of Remote Participation. - (a) At times when Rule 58.1 is not in effect, a standing committee may conduct meetings with members participating remotely provided all of the following requirements are met:

- (1) The Speaker has not disallowed remote participation for the standing committee.
- (2) Each member is able to communicate, in real time, with all other members by (i) in-person communication, (ii) remote communication using devices or programs that transmit audio or audio and video, or (iii) both.
- (3) All documents considered by the committee are provided to members.
- (4) The committee otherwise complies with G.S. 143-318.13(a).

(b) A committee member who is participating remotely shall be counted as present for quorum purposes and may vote on any measure or motion before the committee. An ex officio member under Rule 26(d) shall be counted among the membership of the committee only when present or participating remotely.

RULE 29. Notice of Standing Committee Meetings and Hearings. -

(a) Notice of meetings of standing committees that will occur at the regularly scheduled meeting times shall be given by one or both of the following methods:

- (1) Notice given openly at a session of the House; or
- (2) Notice mailed or sent by electronic mail to those who have requested notice, and to the Legislative Services Office, which shall post the notice on the General Assembly website.

(b) Notice of all other meetings shall be given in the House. If the meeting is scheduled to occur after adjournment, notice shall also be given by electronic mail and posting on the General Assembly website.

(c) The chair of the standing committee shall notify or cause to be notified the sponsor of each bill that is set for hearing or consideration before the standing committee as to the date, time, and place of that meeting.

RULE 29.1. Public Hearings. - (a) The chair of the standing committee may schedule a time to receive public comments for the standing committee as a whole during the meeting of the standing committee or after the adjournment of a regular daily House session.

(b) Persons desiring to provide public comments during a meeting of a standing committee shall submit their requests to the chair of the standing committee. The standing committee chair may designate one or more members to arrange the order of appearance of interested parties. A brief written statement of testimony may be submitted without oral presentation and shall be incorporated into the minutes of the public hearing.

RULE 29.2. Minutes to Legislative Library. - The chair of a standing committee shall ensure that written minutes are compiled for each of the body's meetings. The minutes shall indicate the members present and the actions taken at the meeting. Not later than 10 days after the adjournment of each session of the General Assembly, the chair or the chair's designee shall deliver the minutes to the Legislative Library. The Speaker of the House may grant a reasonable extension of time for filing said minutes upon written application of the chair.

RULE 30. Committee of the Whole House. - (a) A Committee of the Whole House shall not be formed, except by leave of the House.

(b) After passage of a motion to form a Committee of the Whole House, the Speaker shall appoint a chair to preside in the committee, and the Speaker shall leave the dais.

(c) The rules of procedure in the House shall be observed in the Committee of the Whole House, so far as they may be applicable, except the rule limiting the time of speaking and the previous question.

(d) In the Committee of the Whole House, a motion that the standing committee rise shall always be in order, except when a member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate.

(e) When a bill is submitted to the Committee of the Whole House, it shall be read and debated by sections, leaving the preamble to be last considered. The body of the bill shall not be defaced or interlined, but all amendments, noting the page and line, shall be duly entered by the Principal Clerk on a separate paper as the same shall be agreed to by the standing committee and be so reported to the House. After report, the bill shall again be subject to be debated and amended by sections before a question on its passage be taken.

VI. Handling of Bills

RULE 31. Introduction of Bills and Resolutions. - (a) All bills and resolutions shall be introduced by submitting same to the Principal Clerk's office on the legislative day prior to the first reading and referral thereof according to the following schedule: by 15 minutes after adjournment each Monday; and by 3:00 P.M. each Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The Clerk shall number all bills and resolutions in the order in which they are introduced.

(b) Bills shall not become resolutions provided the Senate has a similar rule. Resolutions shall not become bills. Resolutions are not law but may be used when a law is not necessary for the purpose contained therein. Resolutions shall not be used to appropriate funds for any purpose, but may be used to create study commissions or committees or establish investigative committees, to honor deceased members of the General Assembly, to express to Congress the opinions of the House and the General Assembly, and to adopt House rules and internal affairs. Resolutions cannot amend, repeal, or modify a statute; nor do they have life beyond the term of the session during which they are adopted.

(c) Every bill or resolution shall be read in regular order of business, except upon permission of the Speaker or on the report of a standing committee.

(d) All bills and resolutions shall show in their captions a brief descriptive statement of the true substance of same, which captions may thereafter be amended. Amendments to captions of bills are in order only if the amendment is germane to the bill. Third reading shall not be had on any bill or resolution on the same day that such caption is amended.

(e) A Substitute Bill shall be covered with the same color jacket as the original bill and shall be prefaced as follows: "House Committee Substitute for _____."

(f) House resolutions need not be read more than twice.

(g) All memorializing, celebration, commendation, and commemoration resolutions, except those honoring the memory of deceased members of the General Assembly or expressing to Congress the opinions of the House or the General Assembly, shall be excluded from introduction and consideration in the House. The mention of a deceased member of the General Assembly as a pretext to honor an institution or a living person is prohibited. Members should utilize a Representative Statement, as provided in Rule 8.1, as the preferred alternative to House simple resolutions that memorialize, celebrate, commend, and commemorate, other than for those relating to deceased members of the General Assembly or expressing to Congress the opinions of the House or the General Assembly.

(h) Any reference in these rules to bills shall extend to resolutions unless the context requires otherwise.

RULE 31.1. Deadlines on Introduction and Receipt; No Blank Bills; 15 Bill Limit. - (a) All local bills must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 23, 2023.

(b) All public bills or resolutions recommended by commissions or standing committees authorized or directed by act or resolution of the General Assembly (i) to report to the 2023 Regular Session of the General Assembly, or to report prior to convening of that session, or (ii) which are recommended to the 2023 Regular Session of the General Assembly by a commission or committee established directly by Chapter 120 of the General Statutes, must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 1, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 16, 2023.

(c) All bills prepared to be introduced for departments, agencies, or institutions of the State must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 23, 2023. A bill introduced under this subsection shall be identified as an Agency Bill after its short title or in the drafting code.

(d) All public bills that would not be required to be re-referred to the Appropriations or Finance Committees under Rule 38 and all joint resolutions and House resolutions must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 22, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 18, 2023.

(e) All public bills, which under Rule 38 are required to be re-referred to either or both of the Appropriations Committee or the Finance Committee, must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 25, 2023. If any bill is subject to the deadline under this subsection and the bill is amended so that all the provisions requiring referral to either or both of those committees under Rule 38 do not remain in the bill, it is not eligible for further consideration.

(f) A bill containing no substantive provisions may not be introduced in the House.

(g) No member may introduce more than 15 public bills. For the purpose of this subsection, the introducer is the member who is listed as the first sponsor. A member may assign a portion of this limit to another member electronically using the procedures established and published by the Principal Clerk. This subsection does not apply to bills or resolutions recommended by commissions or committees authorized or directed by act or resolution of the General Assembly (i) to report to the 2023 Regular Session of the General Assembly, or to report prior to convening of that session, or (ii) that are recommended to the Regular Session of the General Assembly by a commission or committee established directly by Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. This subsection does not apply to joint resolutions or House resolutions.

(h) In order to be eligible for consideration by the House during the first Regular Session, all Senate bills other than (i) finance or appropriations bills that would be required to be re-referred to the Appropriations or Finance Committee under Rule 38, (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) adjournment resolutions must be received and read on the floor of the House as a message from the Senate no later than Thursday, May 4, 2023; provided that a message from the Senate 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 subsection and provided that the Senate has a similar rule.

(i) This rule, other than subsections (f) and (g), does not apply to bills (i) establishing districts for Congress or State or local entities, (ii) introduced on the report of the Committees on Appropriations, Finance, or

Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, or (iii) ratifying an amendment or amendments to the Constitution of the United States. This rule does not apply to resolutions pertaining to the internal affairs of the House or adjourning the General Assembly sine die or to a day certain.

RULE 32. Referral to Standing Committees; Serial Referrals; Re-referral of Bills From One Standing Committee to Another Standing Committee; Re-referral to Committee on Rules. - (a) Each bill not introduced on the report of a standing committee shall immediately upon its first reading be referred by the Speaker to such standing committee, select committee, or committee of the whole as the Speaker deems appropriate. The Speaker at the same time may order that, if the bill is reported with any favorable recommendation or without prejudice, it be re-referred automatically upon the committee report to another committee designated in the order. Each joint resolution or House resolution not introduced on the report of a standing committee shall immediately upon its first reading either be referred by the Speaker to a standing committee or be calendared on the date designated by the Speaker, as the Speaker deems appropriate.

(a1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this rule, any bill establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives may be placed on the calendar without being referred by the Speaker to a committee and on the same legislative day of its introduction or receipt from the Senate.

(b) Upon consent of the sponsor of the bill, the Speaker, the chair of the standing committee from which the bill is to be re-referred, and the chair of the standing committee to which the bill is to be re-referred, the chair of the standing committee from which the bill is to be re-referred or the Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House may move for a re-referral to another standing committee, and the bill shall be re-referred upon vote of the majority present during a regular session of the House.

(c) The Speaker may remove a bill from the committee to which the bill has been referred and may re-refer the bill to another committee.

(d) All public bills and resolutions reported by any standing committee must have also been reported by the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House prior to being calendared for consideration by the House. This rule may be waived by leave of the House.

RULE 33. Papers Addressed to the House. - Petitions, memorials, and other papers addressed to the House shall be presented by the Speaker. A brief statement of the contents thereof may be made orally by the introducer before referral to a committee, but such papers shall not be debated or decided on the day of their first being read unless the House shall direct otherwise.

RULE 34. Introduction of Resolutions and Bills. - (a) House Bills shall be designated as "H.B. ___." (No. following). A Joint Resolution shall be designated as "H.J.R. ___." (No. following). A House Resolution shall be designated as "H.R. ___." (No. following).

Whenever any resolution or bill is filed for introduction, it shall comply with the procedures established and published by the Principal Clerk.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this rule, no bill may be filed for introduction if the draft contains names preprinted on the bill jacket and body of the bill (either as primary sponsors or cosponsors) unless each such member has signed or initialed the jacket.

(c) A bill may be filed for introduction without the signature or initial of each member whose name appears on the preprinted bill jacket as a primary sponsor if each such member has approved being included as a primary sponsor using the member's electronic dashboard.

RULE 35. Public and Local Bills. - (a) The Legislative Services Officer shall cause such bills as are introduced to be duplicated in such numbers as may be specified by the Speaker. Copies shall be available in the Printed Bills Room and made available to the committees to which the bill is referred, to individual members on request, and to the general public.

(b) A public bill is a bill affecting 15 or more counties. A local bill is one affecting fewer than 15 counties.

RULE 35.1. Municipal Incorporation Reports. - Every legislative proposal introduced in the House or received in the House from the Senate, 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 House or by any committee of the House 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 the Municipal Incorporations Subcommittee of the Joint Legislative Committee on Local Government 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 36. Report by Standing Committee. - (a) **Reports.** - Bills and resolutions may be reported from the standing committee to which referred with such recommendations as the standing committee may desire to make.

(b) **Favorable Report.** - When a standing committee reports a bill with the recommendation that it be passed, the bill shall be placed on the favorable calendar on the day designated by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, but not on the same day that it is reported except by leave of the House, and no later than the fourth legislative day after submission of the report or Senate message under Rule 43.2 or Rule 43.3(a), unless:

- (1) The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations or Committee on Finance under Rule 38 or was serially referred under Rule 32; or
- (2) The bill has not yet been placed on the calendar, and the Speaker refers the bill to another committee.

In order to place a bill on the calendar for a legislative day, notice shall be given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House orally in the House or in writing to the Principal Clerk. When a committee substitute is adopted and receives a favorable report by the standing committee, the chair shall submit to the standing committee the question of an unfavorable report on the original bill. The standing committee's action, if any, on the original bill shall be reported at the same time the committee substitute is reported.

(b1) **Favorable Report of Bills Proposing Congressional or State Districts.** - Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this rule, a bill establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives that is reported favorably by a committee may be placed on the favorable calendar on the same day it is reported.

(c) **Report Without Prejudice.** - When a standing committee reports a bill without prejudice, the bill shall be placed on the favorable calendar in the same manner as provided in subsection (b) of this rule.

(d) **Postponed Indefinitely.** - When a standing committee reports a bill with the recommendation that it be postponed indefinitely and no minority report accompanies it, the bill shall be placed on the unfavorable calendar.

(e) **Unfavorable Report.** - When a standing committee reports a bill with the recommendation that it not be passed and no minority report accompanies it, the bill shall be placed on the unfavorable calendar.

(f) **Minority Report.** - When a bill is reported by a standing committee with a recommendation that it not be passed or that it be postponed indefinitely but it is accompanied by a minority report signed by at least one-fourth of the members of the standing committee who were present and voting when the bill was considered in standing committee, the question before the House shall be: "The adoption of the minority report." If the minority report is adopted by majority vote, the bill shall be placed on the favorable calendar for consideration. If the minority report fails of adoption by a majority vote, the bill shall be placed on the unfavorable calendar.

RULE 36.1. Fiscal Notes. - (a) The Chair or Cochair of the Appropriations Committee, of the Finance Committee, or of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, upon the floor of the House, may request that a fiscal analysis be made of a bill, a resolution, or an amendment to a bill or resolution which is in the possession of the House and that a fiscal note be attached to the measure, which request shall be allowed when, in the opinion of the Speaker, the fiscal effects of that measure are not apparent from the language of the measure. When a request is properly made under this subsection, the bill is removed from the calendar until such time that the fiscal note is attached to the measure.

(b) The fiscal note shall be filed and attached to the bill or amendment within two legislative days of the request, and a copy shall be sent by electronic mail to each member. If it is impossible to prepare a fiscal note within two legislative days, the Director of Fiscal Research shall, in writing, so advise the Speaker, the Principal Clerk, the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, 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 Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House 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 House.

(d) A sponsor of a bill or amendment may deliver a copy of the bill 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 filed or to the amendment when its adoption is moved.

(e) The sponsor of a bill 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 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 or amendment requiring an actuarial note under these rules.

RULE 36.1A. Distribution of Proposed Committee Substitutes. -

(a) No proposed committee substitute may be considered by a standing committee unless the proposed committee substitute shall have been distributed electronically no later than 9:00 P.M. of the preceding calendar day to the members of the committee and to the member who is listed as the first primary sponsor. This requirement may be waived by leave of the standing committee.

(b) Subsection (a) of this rule does not apply to a proposed committee substitute establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives.

RULE 36.2. 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;

shall have attached to it at the time of its consideration by any standing committee a brief explanatory statement or note which shall include a reliable estimate of the financial and actuarial effect of the proposed change to that retirement or pension system. The actuarial note shall be attached to the jacket of each proposed bill or resolution which is reported favorably by any standing committee, shall be separate therefrom, and shall be clearly designated as an actuarial note. A bill described in subdivision (a)(1) of this rule shall be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Retirement upon its introduction in accordance with G.S. 120-111.3.

(b) The sponsor of the bill or resolution shall present a copy of the measure, with a 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, unless an extension of time is agreed to by the sponsor as being necessary in the preparation of the note. 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 actuary employed by the system or program affected by the measure. Actuarial notes shall be prepared and transmitted to the sponsor of the measure not later than two weeks after the request is received, unless an extension of time is agreed to by the sponsor as being necessary in the preparation of the note. The actuarial note shall be attached to the jacket of the measure. The provisions of this subsection may be waived by the measure's sponsor for a measure affecting local government retirement or pension plans not administered by the State or any local government program of hospital, medical, disability, or related benefits for local government employees not administered by the State.

(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.

(e) When any standing 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 retirement or pension system, or program of hospital, medical, disability, or related benefits for teachers or State employees, the chair of the standing committee reporting the measure shall obtain from the

Fiscal Research Division 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. An amendment to any bill or resolution shall not be in order if the amendment affects the costs to or the revenues of a State-administered retirement or pension system, or program of hospital, medical, disability, or related benefits for teachers or State employees, unless the amendment is accompanied by an actuarial note, prepared by the Fiscal Research Division, as to the actuarial effect of the amendment.

(f) The Fiscal Research Division shall make all relevant actuarial notes available to the membership of the House.

RULE 36.3. Local Legislation Affecting State Highway System. - A local bill affecting the State Highway System shall be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

RULE 36.4. Content of Appropriations Bills. - No provision shall be contained in any of the following bills unless it pertains to the appropriation of money or the raising or reducing of revenue: (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. If a point of order is made against such a provision and is sustained, the presiding officer shall refer the bill to the committee from which it came, with instructions for the chair of the committee to immediately report out a substitute or amendment removing the offending provision.

RULE 37. Removing Bill From Unfavorable Calendar. - A bill may be removed from the unfavorable calendar upon motion carried by a two-thirds vote. A motion to remove a bill from the unfavorable calendar is debatable.

RULE 38. Reports on Appropriation and Revenue Bills. - (a) All standing committees, other than the Standing Committees on Appropriations, when favorably reporting any bill or resolution that:

- (1) Carries an appropriation from the State; or
- (2) Requires or will require in the future substantial additional State monies from the General Fund or Highway Fund to implement its provisions shall indicate same in the report, and said bill or resolution shall be referred to the Standing Committees on Appropriations for a further report before being acted upon by the House.

(b) All standing committees, other than the Standing Committee on Finance, when favorably reporting any bill that in any way or manner raises revenue, reduces revenue, levies a tax, authorizes the levying of a tax, an assessment, or a fee, or authorizes the issue of bonds or notes, whether public or local, shall indicate same in the report, and said bill shall be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance for a further report before being acted upon by the House. This subsection shall not apply to bills only imposing fines, forfeitures, or penalties.

RULE 39. Discharge Petition. - (a) A motion to discharge a committee from consideration of a bill may be filed with the Principal Clerk by a primary sponsor of that measure if accompanied by a petition asking that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the bill. No motion may be filed until 10 legislative days after the bill has been referred to the committee. No petition may be filed until notice has been given on the floor of the House that the petition is to be filed and the primary sponsor giving notice has obtained a fiscal note from the Fiscal Research Division on the bill, which note shall be attached to the petition. Members may sign the petition only in the office of the Principal Clerk, and when the signatures of 61 members appear on the petition, the Principal Clerk shall place that motion on the calendar for the next legislative day as a special order of business. Members may withdraw their names at any time until 61 names appear. If the motion is adopted by the House, then the committee to which the bill or resolution has been referred is discharged from further consideration of the bill, and that bill is placed on the calendar for the next legislative day as a special order of business. The Principal Clerk shall provide a form for discharge petitions.

(b) This rule shall not be temporarily suspended without one day's notice on the motion given in the House and delivered in writing to the chair of the standing committee, and to sustain that motion two-thirds of the members shall be required.

RULE 40. Calendars and Schedules of Business. - The Clerk of the House shall prepare a daily schedule of business, including the Calendar of Bills and Resolutions for consideration and debate that day, in accordance with the Order of Business of the Day (Rule 5).

RULE 41. Reading of Bills. - (a) Every bill shall receive three readings in the House prior to its passage. The Speaker shall give notice at each subsequent reading whether it is the second or third reading.

(a1) The first reading and referral to standing committee of a House bill shall occur on the next legislative day following its introduction. The first reading and referral to standing committee of a Senate bill shall occur on the next legislative day following its receipt on messages from the Senate. This subsection does not apply to any bill establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives.

(b) Except for bills establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives, no bill shall be read more than once on the same day without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present and voting; provided, no bill governed by Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution herein shall be read twice on one day under any circumstance.

RULE 42. Effect of a Defeated Bill. - (a) Subject to the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this rule, after a bill has:

- (1) Been tabled,
- (2) Been postponed indefinitely,
- (3) Failed to pass on any of its readings, or
- (4) Been placed on the unfavorable calendar,

the contents of that bill or the principal provisions of its subject matter shall not be considered in any other measure originating in the Senate or originating thereafter in the House. Upon the point of order being raised and sustained by the chair, that measure shall be laid upon the table and shall not be taken therefrom except by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.

(b) No local bill shall be held by the chair to embody the contents of or the principal provisions of the subject matter of any statewide measure which has been laid on the table, has failed to pass on any of its readings, or has been placed on the unfavorable calendar.

(c) Subsection (a) of this rule does not apply to a bill that has received an unfavorable report from a committee if the committee has also in the same report reported favorable to the bill as amended or to a proposed committee substitute to the bill.

RULE 43. Amendments. - (a) No amendment to a measure before the House shall be in order unless the amendment is germane to the measure under consideration.

A House amendment deleting a previously adopted House amendment shall not be in order. No amendment that is clearly unconstitutional shall be in order.

Only one principal (first degree) amendment shall be pending at any one time. If a subsequent or substitute principal amendment shall be offered, the Speaker shall rule it out of order. However, any member desiring to offer a subsequent or substitute principal amendment in opposition to the pending amendment may inform the House by way of argument against the pending amendment that if it is defeated the member proposes to offer another principal amendment, and the member may then read and explain such proposed amendment.

Perfecting (or second degree) amendments may be offered and considered without limitation as to number, and in the event of multiple perfecting amendments, they shall be voted upon in inverse order.

(b) The following rules apply when considering: (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:

- (1) Amendments cannot increase total spending within a committee area beyond the total for that committee as shown in the committee report.
- (2) Amendments can only affect appropriations within the departments, agencies, or programs within the jurisdiction of the committee.
- (3) Amendments cannot increase total spending, from any source, beyond the total amount shown in the committee report.
- (4) Amendments that cause the budget to be unbalanced are not in order.
- (5) Amendments cannot spend reversions.
- (6) Amendments cannot make nonrecurring reductions to fund recurring items.

(c) When offering an amendment, the member shall deliver the signed original amendment to the Principal Clerk and a copy to the Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

RULE 43.1. Engrossment. - Bills and resolutions which originate in the House and which are amended, shall be engrossed before being sent to the Senate.

RULE 43.2. House Concurrence in Senate Amendments to House Bills. - When the House receives a Senate amendment to a bill originating in the House, it shall be placed on the calendar in accordance with Rule 36(b).

RULE 43.3. Committee Substitutes Adopted by the Senate to Bills Originating in the House; Procedure for Treatment of Material Amendments Thereto. - (a) Whenever the Senate has adopted a committee substitute for a bill originating in the House and has returned the bill to the House for concurrence in that committee substitute, it shall be placed on the calendar in accordance with Rule 36(b).

(b) The Speaker shall rule whether the committee substitute is a material amendment under Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution which reads:

"Revenue bills. - No law shall be enacted to raise money on the credit of the State, or to pledge the faith of the State directly or indirectly for the payment of any debt, or to impose any tax upon the people of the State, or to allow the counties, cities, or towns to do so, unless the bill for the purpose shall have been read three several times in each house of the General Assembly and passed three several readings, which readings shall have been on three different days, and shall have been agreed to by each house respectively, and unless the yeas and nays on the second and third readings of the bill shall have been entered on the journal."

If the committee substitute was referred to standing committee, the standing committee shall:

- (1) Report the bill with the recommendation either that the House do concur or that the House do not concur; and
 - (2) Advise the Speaker as to whether or not that committee substitute is a material amendment under Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution.
- (c) If the committee substitute for a bill is not a material amendment, the question before the House shall be concurrence.
- (d) If the 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 House 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.
- (e) No committee substitute adopted by the Senate for a bill originating in the House may be amended by the House.

RULE 44. Conference Standing Committees. - (a) Whenever the House shall decline or refuse to concur in amendments put by the Senate to a bill originating in the House, or shall refuse to concur in a substitute adopted by the Senate for a bill originating in the House, or whenever the Senate shall decline or refuse to concur in amendments put by the House to a bill originating in the Senate, or shall refuse to concur in a substitute adopted by the House for a bill originating in the Senate, a conference committee may be appointed by the Speaker upon the Speaker's own motion and shall be appointed upon request by the principal sponsor of the original bill, the chair of the House standing committee that reported the bill, or the sponsor of the amendment in which the Senate refused to concur; and the bill under consideration shall thereupon go to and be considered by the joint conferees on the part of the House and Senate. In appointing members to conference committees, the Speaker shall appoint no less than a majority of members who generally supported the House position as determined by the Speaker.

(b) The conference report may be made by a majority of the House members of such conference committee and shall not be amended. If the Senate has a similar rule, only such matters as are in difference between the two houses shall be considered by the conferees and the conference report shall deal only with such matters. If the Senate does not have a similar rule, a conference committee report which includes significant matters that were not in difference between the houses shall be referred to a standing committee for its recommendation before further action by the House.

(c) If the conferees fail to agree or if either house fails to adopt the report of its conferees, new conferees may be appointed.

(d) Except by leave of the House and except as otherwise provided in this subsection, no vote shall be taken on adoption of a conference report until the next legislative day following the report. Except by leave of

the House, no vote shall be taken on adoption of a conference report on either the Current Operations Appropriations Bill or a bill generally revising the Current Operations Appropriations Act until the second legislative day following the report.

(e) Notwithstanding subsection (d) of this rule, a conference report for a bill establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives may be placed on the calendar for the legislative day the report is submitted.

RULE 44.1. Transmittal of Bills to Senate. - Unless ordered by the Speaker or two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, no bill shall be sent from the House on the day of its passage, except on the last day of the session.

VII. Legislative Officers and Employees

RULE 45. Elected Officers. - (a) The House shall elect its Speaker from among its membership.

(b) The House shall elect its Speaker Pro Tempore from among its membership who shall perform such duties as the Speaker may assign.

(c) The House shall elect a Principal Clerk, who shall continue in office until another is elected. The Speaker may appoint a Reading Clerk and shall appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms, both of whom shall serve at the Speaker's pleasure. The Principal Clerk, Reading Clerk, and Sergeant-at-Arms shall have and perform duties and responsibilities, not inconsistent with these rules, as the Speaker may assign. Unless directed otherwise by the Speaker on behalf of the House, the Principal Clerk or an employee designated by the Principal Clerk shall receive House bills not approved by the Governor.

RULE 46. Assistants to Principal Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms. - The Principal Clerk and the Sergeant-at-Arms may appoint, with the approval of the Speaker, such assistants as may be necessary to the efficient discharge of the duties of their respective offices.

RULE 47. Speaker's Staff; Chaplain; and Pages. - (a) The Speaker may appoint one or more staff members to the Speaker, a Chaplain of the House, and pages to wait upon the sessions of the House.

(b) When the House is not in session, the pages shall be under the supervision of the Supervisor of Pages.

(c) The Speaker, at the request of a member, may appoint honorary pages.

RULE 48. Member's Staff. - (a) Each standing committee shall have a committee assistant. The committee assistant to a standing committee shall serve as staff to the chair of the standing committee.

(b) Each member shall be assigned a legislative assistant, unless the member has a committee assistant to serve as legislative assistant.

(c) The selection and retention of legislative assistants shall be the sole prerogative of the individual member or members. Such staff 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 Speaker. The legislative assistants shall adhere to such uniform rules and regulations not inconsistent with these rules regarding hours and other conditions of employment as the Legislative Services Commission shall fix by appropriate regulations. The Director of House Legislative Assistants shall be appointed by the Speaker.

RULE 49. Compensation of Legislative Assistants. - No person employed, serving, or appointed under Rules 46, 47, and 48 shall receive during such employment, appointment, or service any compensation from any department of the State government, and there shall not be voted, paid, or awarded any additional pay, bonus, or gratuity to any of them; but they shall receive only the pay now provided by law for such duties and services.

VIII. Privileges of the Hall

RULE 50. Admittance to Floor. - (a) No person except members, officers, and designated employees of the General Assembly who have been issued identification tags as provided by this rule, and former members of the General Assembly who are not registered under the provisions of Article 2 of Chapter 120C of the General Statutes, shall be allowed on the floor of the House during its session, unless permitted by the Speaker or otherwise provided by law. Employees of the General Assembly shall wear identification tags, approved by the Legislative Services Officer, when on the floor of the House.

(b) Except when a committee is meeting on the floor of the House, a person who is not authorized to be admitted to the floor under subsection (a) of this rule shall not be allowed to enter the Chamber until at least five minutes after adjournment or recess of the House.

RULE 51. Admittance of Press. - Reporters wishing to take down debates may be admitted by the Speaker, who shall assign such places to them on the floor or elsewhere, to effect this object, as shall not interfere with the convenience of the House. Reporters admitted to the floor of the House shall observe the same requirements of attire for members contained in Rule 12(h).

RULE 52. Extending Courtesies. - Courtesies of the floor, galleries, or lobby shall be extended at the discretion of the Speaker and only by the Speaker. Requests by members to extend these courtesies shall be delivered to the Speaker. No member shall orally ask the Speaker to extend these courtesies during the daily session.

RULE 53. Order in House Chamber, Galleries, and Lobby. - In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the House Chamber, galleries, or lobby, the Speaker or other presiding officer is empowered to order the same to be cleared to the extent they deem necessary.

IX. General Rules

RULE 54. Attendance of Members. - Members and officers of the House shall request leaves from the service of the House with the Principal Clerk.

RULE 55. Documents to Be Signed by the Speaker. - All acts, addresses, and resolutions and all warrants and subpoenas issued by order of the House shall be signed by the Speaker or other presiding officer.

RULE 56. Printing or Reproducing Materials. - There shall be no printing or reproducing of paper(s) that are not legislative in essence except upon approval of the Speaker.

RULE 57. Placement or Circulation of Materials. - Persons other than members of the House shall not place or cause to be placed any materials on members' desks in the House Chamber without obtaining approval of the Speaker. Any material placed on members' desks in the House Chamber, or circulated to House members anywhere in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building, shall bear the name of the originator.

RULE 58. Rescission and Alteration of the Rules. - (a) These rules shall not be permanently rescinded or altered except by House simple resolution passed by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting. The introducer of the resolution must on the floor of the House give notice of intent to introduce the resolution on the legislative day preceding its introduction.

(b) Except as otherwise provided herein, the House upon two-thirds vote of the members present and voting may temporarily suspend any rule.

RULE 58.1. Temporary Modifications Due to State of Emergency. - (a) The following modifications to these rules shall apply 24 hours after receipt by the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, and the Principal Clerk of written notification filed by the Speaker:

- (1) **RULE 12(i)** shall read as follows: "(i) The use of a mobile device or cellular phone for the purpose of making or receiving a phone call shall not be permitted in the House Chamber while the House is in session, except the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, and a designee of a Leader under Rule 22.1(c) may use a mobile device or cellular phone during a vote to communicate in real time with members who have filed a voting designation pursuant to Rule 22.1, provided the use does not otherwise disrupt the decorum of the chamber."
- (2) **RULE 13(a)** shall read as follows: "**RULE 13. Motions Generally.** - (a) A motion that is complex, complicated, or otherwise not easily understood shall be reduced to writing at the request of the Speaker or any member. No motion relating

to a bill shall be in order that does not identify the bill by its number and short title. No motion may be made, nor business presented, by a member who has filed a voting designation pursuant to Rule 22.1 affirming the member will not be present in the House during the time the designation is in effect and has not been revoked."

- (3) The rules are amended by adding a new rule to read: "RULE 22.1. **Designated Voting.** - (a) A member who is not present may designate either the Majority or the Minority Leader to cast the member's vote if the member has filed a voting designation with the Principal Clerk and at least 61 members have voted in the House Chamber when the question is put, after which the Speaker shall call upon the Majority and Minority Leaders to cast the votes of members who have made a designation pursuant to this Rule.
- (b) A designation shall be in writing and on a form made available by the Principal Clerk. In order to be effective for that legislative day, the designation must be received by the Principal Clerk at least one hour prior to the time the House is scheduled to convene. The designation shall state the member will not be present in the House, shall identify either the Majority or Minority Leader as the member's voting designee, and shall include both a commencement and expiration date. A designation may be revoked at any time by notifying the Principal Clerk.
- (c) The designated Leader may appoint another member to cast all votes designated to that Leader."
- (4) RULE 22(b) shall read as follows: "(b) Except as provided in Rule 22.1, no member may vote unless the member is in the Chamber. This subsection of this rule cannot be suspended."
- (4a) RULE 24(c) shall read as follows: "(c) No member may change a vote without leave of the House, but such leave shall not be granted if it affects the result or if the session in which the vote was taken has been adjourned.

No member who cast a vote using the designated voting procedure allowed under Rule 22.1 may change that vote without leave of the House, but such leave shall not be granted if it affects the result or if the session in which that vote was taken has been adjourned. A member who voted using the designated voting procedure allowed under Rule 22.1 may request a vote change by submitting a written request to the Leader the member originally designated who shall deliver the request to the Principal Clerk who shall officially receive it.

The Principal Clerk shall provide a form to be used by members to request a change to a vote cast pursuant to Rule 22.1."

- (5) RULE 26(e) shall read as follows: "(e) The chair or acting chair, designated by the chair or by the Speaker, and five other members of the standing committee, or a majority of the standing committee, whichever is fewer, shall constitute a quorum of that standing committee. A quorum of less than a majority of all the members must include at least one member of the minority party. For purposes of determining a quorum, the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House; the Speaker Pro Tempore; the Majority Leader; and the Deputy Majority Leader, when serving only as ex officio members under subsection (d) of this rule, shall be counted among the membership of the committee only when present or participating remotely pursuant to Rule 28(a). A committee member who is participating remotely under Rule 28(a) shall be counted as present for quorum purposes."
- (6) RULE 28(a) shall read as follows: "RULE 28. **Standing Committee Meetings.** - (a) Standing committees shall be furnished with suitable meeting places pursuant to a schedule established by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Select committees shall be furnished with suitable meeting places as their needs require by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Committees may conduct meetings with members participating remotely and such members may vote on any measure or motion before the committee provided all of the following requirements are met:
 - (1) Each member is able to communicate, in real time, with all other members by (i) in-person communication, (ii) remote communication using devices or programs that transmit audio or audio and video, or (iii) both.
 - (2) All documents considered by the committee are provided to members.
 - (3) The committee otherwise complies with G.S. 143-318.13(a)."
- (7) RULE 32(d) is repealed.
- (8) RULE 36(b) shall read as follows: "(b) **Favorable Report.** - When a standing committee reports a bill with the recommendation that it be passed, the bill shall be placed on the favorable calendar on the day designated by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, but no later than the fourth legislative day after submission of the report or Senate message under Rule 43.2 or Rule 43.3(a), unless:

- (1) The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations or Committee on Finance under Rule 38 or was serially referred under Rule 32; or
- (2) The bill has not yet been placed on the calendar, and the Speaker refers the bill to another committee.

In order to place a bill on the calendar for a legislative day, notice shall be given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House orally in the House or in writing to the Principal Clerk. When a committee substitute is adopted and receives a favorable report by the standing committee, the chair shall submit to the standing committee the question of an unfavorable report on the original bill. The standing committee's action, if any, on the original bill shall be reported at the same time the committee substitute is reported."

- (9) RULE 41 shall read as follows: "RULE 41. **Reading of Bills.** - Every bill shall receive three readings in the House prior to its passage. The Speaker shall give notice at each subsequent reading whether it is the second or third; provided, no bill governed by Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution herein shall be read twice on one day under any circumstance."
- (10) Notwithstanding Rule 44(d), a conference report may be placed on the calendar for the legislative day on which the report is received. The Speaker shall provide notice as soon as practicable to the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader if the Speaker anticipates a conference report will be placed on the favorable calendar the same day the report is received.

RULE 59. Cosponsorship of Bills and Resolutions, Removal of Sponsorship. - (a) Except by leave of the primary sponsor, or as provided in subsection (d) of this rule, no member may be listed as an additional primary sponsor on a bill after the bill has been filed. Except as provided in subsection (d) of this rule, any member not listed as a preprinted cosponsor on the computer-generated draft edition who wishes to cosponsor a bill or resolution which has been introduced may do so by 5:00 P.M. of the calendar day following the adjournment of the session during which such bill or resolution was first read and referred, but only electronically under procedures approved by the Principal Clerk.

(b) Members wishing to cosponsor legislation prior to preparation of the draft should indicate such to the drafter at the time the bill is requested and before filing the bill with the Principal Clerk's office. The names of the members who are the primary sponsors shall be listed in the order requested by them, followed by the words (Primary Sponsors); and the remaining names of such members cosponsoring shall follow on the draft edition and

first edition. No more than four members may be listed as primary sponsors. Names of persons cosponsoring bills thereafter under subsection (a) of this rule do not appear on subsequent editions but shall be listed in the bill status system as cosponsors.

(c) No member shall permit anyone, other than that member's committee assistant, legislative assistant, office assistant, or another member, to have possession of and solicit for bill or resolution sponsorship, the jacket of a bill or resolution.

(d) Should any member wish to remove the member's sponsorship of a bill that is substantially changed by a Senate amendment or a Senate committee substitute, the member shall notify the House Principal Clerk before the bill is considered for concurrence. If no sponsors remain on the bill, the House Principal Clerk shall notify the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House who may request that other members sponsor the bill. Removal of the first primary sponsor's name from a bill does not reduce the total number of bills introduced by the member under Rule 31.1(g), and sponsorship of a bill after removal of all sponsors is subject to Rule 31.1(g).

RULE 60. Correcting of Typographical Errors. - The Legislative Services Officer may correct typographical errors appearing in House bills or resolutions or House amendments to Senate bills provided that such corrections are made before ratification and do not conflict with any actions or rules of the Senate and provided further that such correction be approved by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, the Speaker, or other presiding officer.

RULE 61. Assignment of Seats. - After initial assignment of seats, a member shall continue to occupy the seat to which initially assigned until assigned a permanent seat; once assigned a permanent seat, the member shall occupy it for the entire biennial session. In event of vacancy, the Speaker or the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House may assign such permanent seats as are necessary to maintain seating.

RULE 61.1. Office Assignments. - The Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House shall assign to each member an office space. When available, chairs of standing committees shall be assigned an office adjacent to the room in which the standing committee generally meets if the Chair so desires. The Speaker shall be assigned an office of his or her choice.

RULE 61.2. Convening and Assigning Seats in the New House. - (a) The Principal Clerk of the previous House of Representatives shall convene the House of Representatives at 12:00 P.M. on the date established by law for the convening of each regular session and preside over the body until the members elect a Speaker. In the case of a vacancy, inability, or refusal to so serve, the duty shall devolve upon the Sergeant-at-Arms of the prior House, and in the case of a vacancy in that office, or inability or refusal to so serve, the duty shall devolve upon the Reading Clerk of the prior House.

(b) It shall be the duty of the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House of the prior House to assign temporary seats to the members of the House of Representatives in its Chamber. In the case of the inability or refusal to serve of the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, the Speaker of the prior House of Representatives shall appoint a person to assign seats to members of the House of Representatives in its Chamber. In the event that the party that had a majority of members in the prior House will no longer have a majority of members in the new House, then the duty assigned in this subsection to the Chair of the Committee of the prior House shall instead be the duty of the person nominated as Speaker by the majority party caucus for the new House, or some member-elect designated by the Speaker-nominee. In the event no party will have a majority, then the duty assigned in this subsection to the Chair of the Committee of the prior House shall instead be the joint duty of one person chosen each by the caucuses of the two parties having the greatest numbers of members.

RULE 61.3. Livestreaming Sessions. - To the extent any session of the House is livestreamed, the methods used for the livestreaming shall comply with the policies and procedures established and published by the Principal Clerk.

RULE 62. Matters Not Covered in These Rules. - Except as herein set out, the rules of Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure shall govern the operation of the House.

SECTION 2. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

H.R. 16, A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2023 HOUSE TEMPORARY RULES TO MODIFY THE LIST OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. Rule 27 of the 2023 House Temporary Rules, as contained in House Resolution 1, as enacted during the 2023 Regular Session of the 2023 General Assembly, reads as rewritten:

"**RULE 27. List of Standing Committees.** - The standing committees are:

Committees

Agriculture

Alcoholic Beverage Control

Appropriations

Appropriations, Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources

Appropriations, Capital

Appropriations, Education

Appropriations, General Government

Appropriations, Health and Human Services

Appropriations, Information Technology

Appropriations, Justice and Public Safety

Appropriations, Transportation

Banking

Commerce

Disaster Recovery and Homeland Security

Education - Community Colleges

Education - K-12

Education - Universities

Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform

Energy and Public Utilities

Environment

Ethics

Families, Children, and Aging Policy

Federal Relations and American Indian Affairs

Finance

Health

Insurance

Judiciary 1

Judiciary 2

Judiciary 3

Local Government - Land Use, Planning and Development

Local Government

Marine Resources and Aquaculture

Military and Veterans Affairs

Oversight and Reform

Pensions and Retirement

Redistricting

Regulatory Reform

Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

State Government

State Personnel

Transportation

UNC Board of Governors Nominations

Unemployment Insurance

Wildlife Resources"

SECTION 2. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

H.R. 102, A HOUSE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PERMANENT RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE 2023 REGULAR SESSION.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The permanent rules of the Regular Session of the House of Representatives of the 2023 General Assembly are:

**PERMANENT RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
FOR THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE 2023 GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

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I. Order of Business

RULE 1. Convening Hour, Limitation on Legislative Sessions. -

The House shall convene each legislative day at the hour fixed by the House. In the event the House adjourns on the preceding legislative day without having fixed an hour for reconvening, the House shall convene on the next legislative day at 2:00 P.M. During January and February of 2023, no sessions may be held on Friday. Without leave of the House, no session shall continue after 10:00 P.M. on Monday nor after 9:00 P.M. on any other days, and the Speaker shall adjourn the House without motion at that point, except that a motion may be made as to the time and day of next convening. Except for votes on motions to approve the journal and to adjourn, no votes may be held on any Sunday.

RULE 1.1. Emergencies. - (a) 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 Speaker where and when the House will convene.

(b) In the event of a State of Emergency that threatens the health and safety of members, the Speaker may invoke the modifications to these rules contained in and pursuant to Rule 58.1. The Speaker may terminate the use of the modifications upon 24 hours' written notice to the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, and the Principal Clerk.

RULE 2. Opening the Session. - The Sergeant-at-Arms shall clear the House 10 minutes before the convening hour. At the convening hour on each legislative day, the Speaker shall call the members to order and shall have the session opened with prayer. At the convening hour, the Speaker, or the Speaker's designee, shall lead the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

RULE 3. Quorum. - (a) A quorum consists of a majority of the qualified members of the House.

(b) Should the point of a quorum be raised, the doors shall be closed, and the Clerk shall call the roll of the House, after which the names of those not responding shall again be called. In the absence of a quorum, 15 members are authorized to compel the attendance of absent members and may order that absentees for whom no sufficient excuses are made be taken into custody wherever they may be found by special messenger appointed for that purpose.

RULE 4. Approval of Journal. - (a) The Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House shall cause the Journal of the House to be examined daily before the hour of convening to determine if the proceedings of the previous day have been correctly recorded.

(b) Immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Speaker shall call for the Journal report by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, or by a Representative designated by the Chair, as to whether the proceedings of the previous day have been correctly recorded. Without objection, the Speaker shall cause the Journal to stand approved.

RULE 5. Order of Business of the Day. - After the approval of the Journal of the preceding day, unless the Speaker varies or alters the order, the House shall proceed to business in the following order:

- (1) The receiving of petitions, memorials, and papers addressed to the General Assembly or to the House;
- (2) Messages from the Governor;
- (3) Ratification of bills;
- (4) Reports of standing committees;
- (5) Reports of select committees;
- (6) First reading and referral to committee of bills and resolutions;
- (7) Messages from the Senate;
- (8) Concurrence with Senate amendments or Senate committee substitutes;
- (9) The unfinished business of the preceding day;
- (10) Calendar (each category in accordance with Rule 40 - House bills first):
 - a. Resolutions for adoption
 - b. Conference reports for adoption
 - c. Local bills (roll call), third reading
 - d. Local bills (roll call), second reading
 - e. Local bills, third reading
 - f. Local bills, second reading
 - g. Public bills (roll call), third reading
 - h. Public bills (roll call), second reading
 - i. Public bills and resolutions, third reading
 - j. Public bills and resolutions, second reading;
- (11) Reading of notices and announcements;
- (12) Reading of Representative Statements.

RULE 5.1. Pro Forma Sessions. - (a) The following motions, votes, and matters and no others are in order during a pro forma session:

- (1) A motion and vote to approve the Journal;
- (2) The receiving of petitions, memorials, and papers addressed to the General Assembly or to the House;
- (3) Messages from the Governor;
- (4) Ratification of bills;
- (5) Reports of standing committees;
- (6) First reading and referral to committee of bills and resolutions;
- (7) Re-referral to committee of bills and resolutions;
- (8) Reading of Representative Statements approved, in writing, for presentation during the pro forma session by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House;
- (9) Messages from the Senate;
- (10) Submission of conference reports;
- (11) A motion and vote to adjourn subject to the standard stipulations under Rule 15.1.

(b) As used in these rules, a pro forma session occurs when the Speaker notifies the body, either by announcement in the chamber or electronically using the General Assembly email system, that no motions, votes, or matters other than those allowed under subsection (a) of this rule will be taken during a future designated session.

II. Conduct of Debate

RULE 6. Duties and Powers of the Speaker. - The Speaker shall have general direction of the Hall, subject to more specific provisions of these rules. The Speaker may name any member to perform the duties of the chair, but substitution shall not extend beyond one day, except in the case of sickness or by leave of the House. If the Speaker is absent and has not designated a member or the Principal Clerk to perform the duties of the chair, the Speaker Pro Tempore shall preside during such absence. In the case of a vacancy in the office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Principal Clerk shall preside over the House until the House elects a Speaker.

RULE 7. Obtaining Floor. - (a) When any member desires recognition for any purpose, the member shall rise and respectfully address the Speaker. No member shall proceed until recognized by the Speaker for a purpose.

(b) When a member desires to interrupt a member having the floor, the member shall first obtain recognition by the Speaker and permission of the member occupying the floor, and when such recognition and permission have been obtained, he or she may propound a question to the member occupying the floor; but he or she shall not otherwise interrupt the member having the floor, except as provided in subsection (c) of this rule; and the Speaker shall, without the point of order being raised, enforce this rule.

(c) A member 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,
- (3) A parliamentary inquiry, or
- (4) A question of privilege.

RULE 8. Questions of Privilege. - Upon recognition by the Speaker for that purpose, any member may speak to a question of privilege for a time not to exceed three minutes. Questions of privilege shall be those affecting, first, the rights of the House collectively, its safety, dignity, and the integrity of its proceedings; second, the rights, reputation, and conduct of members, individually, in their representative capacity only; and shall have precedence over all other questions, except motions to adjourn. Privilege may not be used to explain a vote or debate a bill. The Speaker shall determine if the question is one of privilege and shall, without the point of order being raised, enforce this rule.

RULE 8.1. Points of Personal Privilege; Representative Statements; Explanation of Vote. - Upon recognition by the Speaker for that purpose, any member may speak to a point of personal privilege for a time not exceeding three minutes. The Speaker shall determine if the question raised is one of personal privilege and shall, without the point of order being raised, enforce this rule. A member may use some or all of that time to explain to the House a "Representative Statement." Upon motion supported by a majority present and voting, that statement may be spread upon the Journal. Neither personal privilege nor a Representative Statement may be used to explain a vote, debate a bill, or in any way disrupt the regular business of the House, nor shall such opportunities be used to solicit support or sponsors for any bill. The format of a Representative Statement shall be prescribed by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, but in any case shall speak only in the voice of the member submitting it.

RULE 9. Points of Order. - (a) The Speaker shall decide questions of order, which once raised, are not debatable. Any member may appeal from the ruling of the chair on questions of order; on such appeal no member may speak more than once, unless by leave of the House. A three-fifths vote of the members present shall be necessary to sustain any appeal from the ruling of the chair.

(b) When the Speaker calls a member to order, the member shall be seated, except that a member called to order may clear a matter of fact, or explain, but shall not proceed in debate so long as the decision stands. If the member appeals from the ruling of the chair and the decision by a three-fifths vote of the members present be in favor of the member called to order, the member may proceed; if otherwise, the member shall not; and if the case, in the judgment of the House, requires it, the member shall be liable to censure by the House.

RULE 10. Limitations on Debate. - (a) No member shall speak on, debate, or solicit cosponsors for a bill or resolution at its first reading.

(b) No member shall speak more than twice on the main question nor longer than 15 minutes for the first speech and five minutes for the second speech; nor shall the member speak more than twice upon an amendment or a motion to reconsider, re-refer, or postpone or any motion on concurrence, and then not longer than 10 minutes for the first speech and five minutes for the second speech.

(c) A member may speak only once and for not more than 10 minutes on the question of the adoption of a minority report.

(d) In computing the time allowed for argument, the time consumed in answering questions should be considered and is taken out of any time allowed that member.

(e) The House, by consent of a majority of the members present, may suspend the operation of subsections (b) through (d) of this rule during any debate on any particular question before the House.

RULE 11. Reading of Papers. - When there is a call for the reading of the text of a paper which has been presented to the House and there is objection to such reading, the question shall be determined by a majority vote of the members of the House present. Except for protests permitted by the Constitution, no member may have material printed in the Journal until said material has been presented to the House and the printing approved by the House, and said material shall not exceed 1,000 words.

RULE 12. General Decorum. - (a) The Speaker shall preserve order and decorum.

(b) Decency of speech shall be observed and disrespect to personalities carefully avoided.

(c) When the Speaker is putting any question or addressing the House, no person shall speak, stand up, walk out of, or cross the House, nor, when a member is speaking, engage in disruptive discourse or pass between the member and the chair.

(d) Food shall not be permitted on the floor of the House during the first hour of the daily session.

(e) The reading of newspapers shall not be permitted on the floor of the House while the House is in session.

(f) The consumption of food or beverages shall not be permitted in the galleries at any time.

(g) Special recitals and performances by musicians or other groups shall not be permitted on the floor of the House, and special guests of members of the House shall not be permitted on the floor of the House.

(h) Members shall observe appropriate attire: coat and tie for male members and dignified dress for female members.

(i) The use of a mobile device or cellular phone for the purpose of making or receiving a phone call shall not be permitted in the House Chamber while the House is in session.

(j) Placards, stickers, or signs are not permitted in the House Chamber.

III. Motions

RULE 13. **Motions Generally.** - (a) A motion that is complex, complicated, or otherwise not easily understood shall be reduced to writing at the request of the Speaker or any member. No motion relating to a bill shall be in order that does not identify the bill by its number and short title.

(b) When a motion is made, it shall be stated by the Speaker or, if written, it shall be handed to the chair and read aloud by the Speaker or Clerk before debate.

(c) After a motion has been stated by the Speaker or read by the Speaker or Clerk, it shall be in the possession of the House; but it may be withdrawn before a decision or amendment, except in case of a motion to reconsider, which motion, when made by a member, shall be in possession of the House and shall not be withdrawn without leave of the House.

RULE 14. **Motions, Order of Precedence.** - When there are motions before the House, the order of precedence is as follows:

To adjourn.

To recess.

To lay on the table.

Previous question.

To postpone indefinitely.

To reconsider.

To postpone to a day certain.

To re-refer.

To amend an amendment.

To amend.

To pass the bill.

No motion to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to re-refer, to divide the question, or to make a particular amendment, being decided, shall be again allowed at the same stage of the bill or proposition.

RULE 15. **Motion to Adjourn.** - (a) A motion to adjourn shall be seconded before the motion is put to the vote of the House.

(b) A motion to adjourn shall be decided without debate and shall always be in order, except when the House is voting or some member is speaking; but a motion to adjourn shall not follow a motion to adjourn until debate or some other business of the House has intervened.

RULE 15.1. **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 the ratification of bills, messages from the Senate, committee reports, conference reports, referral and re-referral of bills and resolutions, appointment of conferees, introduction of bills and resolutions, committee appointments, and the reading of Representative Statements.

RULE 16. Motion to Table. - (a) A motion to table shall be seconded before the motion is put to the vote of the House and is in order except when a motion to adjourn or to recess is before the House.

(b) A motion to table shall be decided without debate; however, the proponent of the matter that is subject of the motion to table shall be given up to two minutes to explain the matter subject to the motion to table if the proponent has not previously explained the matter prior to the motion to table.

(c) A motion to table a bill shall constitute a motion to table the bill and all amendments thereto.

(d) When the question before the House is the adoption of an amendment to a bill or resolution, a motion to table the bill is not in order; and a motion to table an amendment applies to the amendment only, and the motion may not expressly or by implication or construction be expanded to include a motion to table the bill also.

(e) When a question has been tabled, it shall not thereafter be considered, except on motion to reconsider under Rule 18 or to remove from the table approved by a two-thirds vote.

RULE 17. Motion to Postpone Indefinitely. - A motion to postpone indefinitely is in order except when a motion to adjourn, or to lay on the table, or for the previous question, or to recess is before the House. However, after one motion to postpone indefinitely has been decided, another motion to postpone indefinitely shall not be allowed at the same stage of the bill or proposition. When a question has been postponed indefinitely, it shall not thereafter be considered, except on motion to reconsider under Rule 18 or to place on the favorable calendar approved by a two-thirds vote.

RULE 18. Motion to Reconsider. - (a) When a question has been decided, it is in order for any member to move for the reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding legislative day; provided that if the vote by which the motion was originally decided was taken by a recorded vote, only a member of the prevailing side may move for reconsideration.

(b) A motion to reconsider shall be determined by a majority vote, except all of the following shall require a two-thirds vote:

(1) A motion to reconsider not made on the same or the succeeding legislative day when a question has been decided.

(2) A second or subsequent motion to reconsider.

(3) A motion to reconsider:

a. A vote upon a motion to table.

b. A motion to postpone indefinitely.

c. A motion to remove a bill from the unfavorable calendar.

d. A motion that a bill be read twice on the same day.

e. A motion to remove from the table.

(c) A motion to reconsider the vote by which a person has been elected as Speaker or Speaker Pro Tempore shall not be in order. This subsection of this rule cannot be suspended except by a vote of three-fifths of all the members of the House.

RULE 19. Previous Question. - (a) The previous question may be called only by:

- (1) The Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House;
- (1a) The Vice-Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House if the Chair is not in the Chamber or able to participate in debate;
- (2) The Majority Leader;
- (3) The member submitting the report on the bill or other matter under consideration;
- (4) The member introducing the bill or other matter under consideration;
- (5) The member in charge of the measure, who shall be designated by the chair of the standing committee reporting the same to the House at the time the bill or other matter under consideration is reported to the House or taken up for consideration.

(b) When the call for the previous question has been decided in the affirmative by a majority vote of the House, the question is on the passage of the bill, resolution, or other matter under consideration.

(c) The call for the previous question shall preclude all motions, amendments, and debate, except the motion to adjourn, motion to recess, or motion to table.

(d) If the previous question is decided in the negative, the question remains under debate.

(e) After the previous question is ordered by the House on the main question of second or third reading, the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader may each allocate three minutes of debate on the question. The Majority Leader and the Minority Leader may each designate another member to act under this subsection.

IV. Voting

RULE 20. 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) The passage as required by Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution on second and third readings of any bill:
 - a. Raising money on the credit of the State,
 - b. Pledging the faith of the State for the payment of a debt,
 - c. Imposing a State tax, or
 - d. Authorizing a county, municipality, or other local governmental unit to:
 1. Raise money on its credit,
 2. Pledge its faith for the payment of a debt, or
 3. Impose a local tax.

- (2) All questions on which a call for the ayes and noes under Rule 24(a) and Section 19 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution has been sustained.
 - (3) Both second and third readings of bills proposing amendment of the North Carolina Constitution or ratifying resolutions amending the United States Constitution.
 - (4) The passage of a bill, notwithstanding the Governor's veto thereof, pursuant to Section 22 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution.
- (b) Votes on the following questions shall be taken on the electronic voting system:
- (1) Second reading of all public bills except resolutions, all amendments to public bills, third reading if a public bill was amended after second reading or if the reading occurs on a day or days following the second reading, all conference reports on public bills, all motions to lay public bills on the table, and all motions to postpone public bills indefinitely.
 - (2) Upon a call for division.
 - (3) Any other question upon direction of the Speaker or upon motion of any member supported by one-fifth of the members present.
- (c) When the electronic voting system is used, 15 seconds shall be allowed for voting on the question before the House, unless the Chair shall direct otherwise. Once the system is locked, the vote shall be recorded and printed.
- (d) The voting station at each member's desk in the Chamber shall be used only by the member to which the station is assigned. Under no circumstances shall any other person vote at a member's station. It is a breach of the ethical obligation of a member either to request that another person vote at the requesting member's station or to vote at another member's station. The Speaker shall enforce this rule without exception.
- (e) When the electronic voting system is used, the Speaker shall state the question and shall then state substantially the following: "All in favor vote 'aye'; all opposed vote 'no'; the Clerk will open the vote." In order to have the vote recorded, the member must vote by the electronic voting system within the time allowed for that vote, unless the voting station assigned to a member is malfunctioning. The Speaker shall enforce this rule without exception. After the allotted time for voting has elapsed, the Speaker shall say: "The Clerk will now lock the machine and record the vote." After the machine is locked and the vote recorded, the Speaker shall announce the vote and declare the result.
- (f) One copy of the machine printout of the vote record of all votes taken on the electronic voting system shall be filed in the office of the Principal Clerk, and two copies shall be filed in the Legislative Library where the copies shall be open to public inspection. A legible copy of the bill, amendment, or motion on which the vote was taken shall be filed with the printout of the vote in the Legislative Library.

(g) When the Speaker ascertains that the electronic voting system is inoperative before a vote is taken or while a vote is being taken on the electronic voting system, the Speaker shall announce that fact to the House, and any partial electronic voting system voting record shall be voided. In such a case, if the North Carolina Constitution or the Rules of the House require a call of the ayes and noes, the Clerk shall call the roll of the House, and the ayes and noes shall be taken manually and shall be recorded on the Journal. All roll call votes shall be taken alphabetically. If, after a vote is taken on the electronic voting system, it is discovered that a malfunction caused an error in the electronic voting system printout, the Speaker shall direct the Reading Clerk and the Principal Clerk to verify and correct the printout record and so advise the House.

(h) For the purpose of identifying motions on which the vote is taken on the electronic voting system, the motions are coded as follows:

- (1) To adjourn.
- (2) To recess.
- (3) To lay on the table.
- (4) Previous question.
- (5) To postpone indefinitely.
- (6) To reconsider.
- (7) To postpone to a day certain.
- (8) To re-refer.
- (9) To amend an amendment.
- (10) To amend.
- (11) To concur or not concur.
- (12) Miscellaneous.

RULE 21. Voice Votes; Stating Questions. - (a) All other votes except those required to be taken on the electronic voting system may be taken by voice vote.

(b) When a voice vote is taken, the Speaker shall put the question substantially as follows: "Those in favor (as the question may be) will say 'aye,'" and after the affirmative voice has been expressed, "Those opposed will say 'no.'"

(c) No statement, explanation, debate, motion, parliamentary inquiry, or point of order shall be allowed once the voice vote has begun. Any point of order or parliamentary inquiry may be raised, however, after the completion of the vote.

RULE 22. Determining Questions. - (a) Unless otherwise provided by the North Carolina Constitution or by these rules, all questions shall be determined by a simple majority of the members present and voting.

(b) No member may vote unless the member is in the Chamber when the question is put. This subsection of this rule cannot be suspended.

RULE 23. Voting by Division. - Any member may call for a division of the members upon the question before the result of the vote has been announced. Upon a call for a division, the Speaker shall cause the number voting in the affirmative and in the negative to be determined. Upon a division and count of the House on any question, no member away from the member's seat shall be counted.

RULE 24. Roll Call Vote. - (a) Before a question is put, any member may call for the ayes and noes. If the call is sustained by one-fifth of the members present, the question shall be decided by the ayes and noes upon a roll call vote.

(b) Every member who is in the Hall of the House when the question is put shall vote upon a call of the ayes and noes, unless excused pursuant to Rule 24.1A.

(c) No member may change a vote without leave of the House, but such leave shall not be granted if it affects the result or if the session in which the vote was taken has been adjourned.

RULE 24.1A. Excuse From Deliberations and Voting on a Bill. -

(a) Any member shall, upon request, be excused in advance from the deliberations and voting on a particular bill at any time that the reason for the request arises in the proceedings on the bill.

(b) The member may make a brief oral statement of the reasons for making the request. The member shall provide to the Principal Clerk, on a form provided by the Clerk, a concise written statement of the reason for the request, and the Clerk shall include this statement in the Journal.

(c) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this rule, the member 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, in committee or on the floor of the House at any reading, or any subsequent consideration of the bill.

(d) A member may request that his or her excuse from deliberations on a particular bill be withdrawn.

(e) By leave of the House, a member who has been excused from deliberations and voting on a bill may participate in deliberations and votes on amendments to which that member does not have any conflict that requires excusal.

RULE 24.1B. Division of Amendments and Questions. - (a) Any member may call for an amendment to be divided into two or more amendments to be voted on separately. The motion shall be in writing, must be submitted to the Principal Clerk at the time the motion is made, and must clearly state how the question is to be divided. The Speaker shall determine whether the amendment admits of such a division. Upon a majority vote of the members present and voting, the motion shall be adopted and the body shall debate and vote each amendment separately.

(b) Any member may call for a bill to be divided into two or more propositions to be voted on separately, provided the bill is subject to division into separate parts so that each part states a separate and distinct proposition capable of standing alone. The motion shall be in writing, must be submitted to the Principal Clerk at the time the motion is made, and must clearly state how the question is to be divided. The Speaker shall then determine whether the bill admits of such a division. Upon a majority vote of the members present and voting, the motion shall be adopted and there shall be no further amendment or debate as to further division of the distinct propositions. If the question is divided, the body shall debate and vote each proposition separately. If any proposition fails, the bill shall be removed from the calendar and re-referred to the committee from which the bill was reported. If all parts of the divided question pass, the Speaker shall announce that the entire measure has passed second or third reading. No conference report and no Current Operations Appropriations Bill is eligible to be divided under this subsection.

RULE 25. Voting by Speaker. - In all elections, the Speaker may vote. In all other instances, the Speaker may vote or may reserve this right until there is a tie, in which event the Speaker may vote; but in no instance may the Speaker vote twice on the same question.

V. Committees

RULE 26. Standing Committees Generally. - (a) The Speaker shall appoint a chair, or cochair, of every standing committee, and select committee, if any. In the construction of these rules, the word "chair," as applied to a committee, extends to and includes a cochair of the committee. The Speaker shall have the exclusive right and authority to establish select committees, but this does not exclude the right of the House by resolution to establish select committees.

(b) The Speaker shall establish the number of members of each standing committee and appoint the members in a manner to reflect the partisan membership of the House, except that the Committee on Ethics shall have an equal number of members of the majority and minority.

(c) Before appointing members of committees, the Speaker shall consult with the Minority Leader. The Speaker and Minority Leader shall consider members' committee preferences in making appointments and recommendations.

(d) The Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, the Speaker Pro Tempore, the Majority Leader, and the Deputy Majority Leader are ex officio members of each standing committee with the right to vote. The previous sentence does not apply to the Standing Committee on Ethics. Up to two chairs of the Appropriations Committee are entitled to vote in all other Appropriations Committees (Capital, Education, General Government, Health and Human Services, Information Technology, Justice and Public Safety, Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources, and Transportation).

(e) Either the chair or acting chair, designated by the chair or by the Speaker, and five other members of the standing committee, or a majority of the standing committee, whichever is fewer, shall constitute a quorum of that standing committee. A quorum of less than a majority of all the members must include at least one member of the minority party. For purposes of determining a quorum, the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, the Speaker Pro Tempore, the Majority Leader, and the Deputy Majority Leader, when serving only as ex officio members under subsection (d) of this rule, shall be counted among the membership of the committee only when present.

(f) In any joint meeting of the Senate and House committees, the House standing committee reserves the right to vote separately.

RULE 26.1. Mentions of Standing Committee Includes Select Committee. - Any reference in these rules to standing committees shall extend to select committees unless the context requires otherwise.

RULE 27. List of Standing Committees. - The standing committees are:

Committees

Agriculture

Alcoholic Beverage Control

Appropriations

Appropriations, Agriculture and Natural
and Economic Resources

Appropriations, Capital

Appropriations, Education

Appropriations, General Government

Appropriations, Health and Human Services

Appropriations, Information Technology

Appropriations, Justice and Public Safety

Appropriations, Transportation

Banking

Commerce

Disaster Recovery and Homeland Security

Education - Community Colleges

Education - K-12

Education - Universities

Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform

Energy and Public Utilities

Environment

Ethics

Families, Children, and Aging Policy

Federal Relations and American Indian Affairs

Finance

Health

Insurance

Judiciary 1

Judiciary 2

Judiciary 3

Local Government - Land Use, Planning and Development

Local Government

Marine Resources and Aquaculture

Military and Veterans Affairs

Oversight and Reform

Pensions and Retirement

Redistricting

Regulatory Reform

Rules, Calendar, and
Operations of the House

State Government

State Personnel

Transportation

UNC Board of Governors Nominations

Unemployment Insurance

Wildlife Resources

RULE 28. Standing Committee Meetings. - (a) Standing committees shall be furnished with suitable meeting places pursuant to a schedule established by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Select committees shall be furnished with suitable meeting places as their needs require by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

(b) Subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of this rule, standing committees thereof shall permit other members of the General Assembly, the press, and the general public to attend all sessions of said standing committees.

(c) The chair or other presiding officer shall have general direction of the meeting place of the standing committee, and, in case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct therein, or if the peace, good order, and proper conduct of the legislative business is hindered by any person or persons, the chair or presiding officer shall have power to exclude from the session any individual or individuals so hindering the legislative business.

(d) Procedure in the standing committees shall be governed by the rules of the House, so far as the same may be applicable to such procedure. Before a question is put, any member may call for the ayes and noes. The chair shall ask, "Is the call sustained?" If the call is sustained by one-fifth of the members present and standing, the question shall be decided by the ayes and noes upon a roll call vote. All roll call votes shall be taken alphabetically and shall be subject to Rule 21(c).

(d1) The committee chair shall set the agenda for each committee meeting. After April 1, 2023, a committee may, provided there is a written request signed by at least two-thirds of the members of the committee, place a bill on the committee's agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting of the committee.

(e) No standing committee shall meet on any day when the House shall not convene except by permission of the Speaker or by approval of the House by resolution adopted by a majority vote of the House.

(f) No standing committee shall meet during any session of the House that is not a pro forma session. Standing committees shall meet at their regularly scheduled hour. Standing committees may meet at other times as authorized by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House in order to assure the availability of the meeting room and that no conflicts will exist with the meetings of other bodies. Except for a meeting of a standing committee for which the Speaker has given notice that the House will be at ease until the adjournment of that standing committee, all standing committee meetings shall adjourn no later than:

- (1) 15 minutes preceding a regular session of the House, and
- (2) 10 minutes preceding the hour of the next regularly scheduled standing committee meeting.

Action taken by a committee in violation of this rule is voidable unless taken by unanimous consent at a meeting at which a majority of all the members of the committee are present, and at which at least one member present is of the minority party.

(g) Any call or notice of a standing committee meeting between legislative sessions shall be sent by electronic mail to each member of the standing committee at least five days prior to such meeting. If a member of the body so requests in writing to the chair of the standing committee, the member shall also be notified of the meetings by mail at a designated address.

(h) During standing committee meetings, the chair may exercise the right to vote, or may reserve this right until there is a tie, in which event the chair may vote, but in no instance may the chair vote twice on the same question.

RULE 28.1. Ethics Committee Investigations Into Violations of the Open Meetings Law. - (a) On its own motion, or in response to signed and sworn complaint of any individual filed with the Standing Committee on Ethics, the Committee shall inquire into any alleged violation by members of the House of the Open Meetings Law (Article 33C of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes), as the same may be amended in the future.

(b) If, after such preliminary investigation as it may make, the Committee determines to proceed with an inquiry into the conduct of any individual, the Committee shall notify the individual as to the fact of the inquiry and the charges against the individual and shall schedule one or more hearings on the matter. The individual shall have the right to present evidence, cross-examine witnesses, and be represented by counsel at any hearings.

(c) After the Committee has concluded its inquiries into the alleged violations, the Committee shall dispose of the matter by taking one of the following actions:

- (1) Dismiss the complaint and take no further action.
- (2) Issue a private letter of reprimand to the legislator, if the legislator unintentionally violated the provisions of the Open Meetings Law.
- (3) Issue a public letter of reprimand if the violation of the Open Meetings Law was intentional or if the legislator has previously received a private letter of reprimand. The Chair of the Committee on Ethics shall have the public letter of reprimand spread on the pages of the House Journal.
- (4) Refer the matter to the House for appropriate action.

RULE 28.2. Committee Meetings; Use of Remote Participation. -

(a) At times when Rule 58.1 is not in effect, a standing committee may conduct meetings with members participating remotely provided all of the following requirements are met:

- (1) The Speaker has not disallowed remote participation for the standing committee.
- (2) Each member is able to communicate, in real time, with all other members by (i) in-person communication, (ii) remote communication using devices or programs that transmit audio or audio and video, or (iii) both.
- (3) All documents considered by the committee are provided to members.
- (4) The committee otherwise complies with G.S. 143-318.13(a).

(b) A committee member who is participating remotely shall be counted as present for quorum purposes and may vote on any measure or motion before the committee. An ex officio member under Rule 26(d) shall be counted among the membership of the committee only when present or participating remotely.

RULE 29. Notice of Standing Committee Meetings and Hearings. -

(a) Notice of meetings of standing committees that will occur at the regularly scheduled meeting times shall be given by one or both of the following methods:

- (1) Notice given openly at a session of the House; or
- (2) Notice mailed or sent by electronic mail to those who have requested notice, and to the Legislative Services Office, which shall post the notice on the General Assembly website.

(b) Notice of all other meetings shall be given in the House. If the meeting is scheduled to occur after adjournment, notice shall also be given by electronic mail and posting on the General Assembly website.

(c) The chair of the standing committee shall notify or cause to be notified the sponsor of each bill that is set for hearing or consideration before the standing committee as to the date, time, and place of that meeting.

RULE 29.1. Public Hearings. - (a) The chair of the standing committee may schedule a time to receive public comments for the standing committee as a whole during the meeting of the standing committee or after the adjournment of a regular daily House session.

(b) Persons desiring to provide public comments during a meeting of a standing committee shall submit their requests to the chair of the standing committee. The standing committee chair may designate one or more members to arrange the order of appearance of interested parties. A brief written statement of testimony may be submitted without oral presentation and shall be incorporated into the minutes of the public hearing.

RULE 29.2. Minutes to Legislative Library. - The chair of a standing committee shall ensure that written minutes are compiled for each of the body's meetings. The minutes shall indicate the members present and the actions taken at the meeting. Not later than 10 days after the adjournment of each session of the General Assembly, the chair or the chair's designee shall deliver the minutes to the Legislative Library. The Speaker of the House may grant a reasonable extension of time for filing said minutes upon written application of the chair.

RULE 30. Committee of the Whole House. - (a) A Committee of the Whole House shall not be formed, except by leave of the House.

(b) After passage of a motion to form a Committee of the Whole House, the Speaker shall appoint a chair to preside in the committee, and the Speaker shall leave the dais.

(c) The rules of procedure in the House shall be observed in the Committee of the Whole House, so far as they may be applicable, except the rule limiting the time of speaking and the previous question.

(d) In the Committee of the Whole House, a motion that the standing committee rise shall always be in order, except when a member is speaking, and shall be decided without debate.

(e) When a bill is submitted to the Committee of the Whole House, it shall be read and debated by sections, leaving the preamble to be last considered. The body of the bill shall not be defaced or interlined, but all amendments, noting the page and line, shall be duly entered by the Principal Clerk on a separate paper as the same shall be agreed to by the standing committee and be so reported to the House. After report, the bill shall again be subject to be debated and amended by sections before a question on its passage be taken.

VI. Handling of Bills

RULE 31. Introduction of Bills and Resolutions. - (a) All bills and resolutions shall be introduced by submitting same to the Principal Clerk's office on the legislative day prior to the first reading and referral thereof

according to the following schedule: by 15 minutes after adjournment each Monday; and by 3:00 P.M. each Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The Clerk shall number all bills and resolutions in the order in which they are introduced.

(b) Bills shall not become resolutions provided the Senate has a similar rule. Resolutions shall not become bills. Resolutions are not law but may be used when a law is not necessary for the purpose contained therein. Resolutions shall not be used to appropriate funds for any purpose, but may be used to create study commissions or committees or establish investigative committees, to honor deceased members of the General Assembly, to express to Congress the opinions of the House and the General Assembly, and to adopt House rules and internal affairs. Resolutions cannot amend, repeal, or modify a statute; nor do they have life beyond the term of the session during which they are adopted.

(c) Every bill or resolution shall be read in regular order of business, except upon permission of the Speaker or on the report of a standing committee.

(d) All bills and resolutions shall show in their captions a brief descriptive statement of the true substance of same, which captions may thereafter be amended. Amendments to captions of bills are in order only if the amendment is germane to the bill. Third reading shall not be had on any bill or resolution on the same day that such caption is amended.

(e) A Substitute Bill shall be covered with the same color jacket as the original bill and shall be prefaced as follows: "House Committee Substitute for _____."

(f) House resolutions need not be read more than twice.

(g) All memorializing, celebration, commendation, and commemoration resolutions, except those honoring the memory of deceased members of the General Assembly or expressing to Congress the opinions of the House or the General Assembly, shall be excluded from introduction and consideration in the House. The mention of a deceased member of the General Assembly as a pretext to honor an institution or a living person is prohibited. Members should utilize a Representative Statement, as provided in Rule 8.1, as the preferred alternative to House simple resolutions that memorialize, celebrate, commend, and commemorate, other than for those relating to deceased members of the General Assembly or expressing to Congress the opinions of the House or the General Assembly.

(h) Any reference in these rules to bills shall extend to resolutions unless the context requires otherwise.

RULE 31.1. Deadlines on Introduction and Receipt; No Blank Bills; 15 Bill Limit. - (a) All local bills must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 23, 2023.

(b) All public bills or resolutions recommended by commissions or standing committees authorized or directed by act or resolution of the General Assembly (i) to report to the 2023 Regular Session of the General Assembly, or to report prior to convening of that session, or (ii) which are recommended to the 2023 Regular Session of the General Assembly by a commission or committee established directly by Chapter 120 of the General Statutes, must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 1, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 16, 2023.

(c) All bills prepared to be introduced for departments, agencies, or institutions of the State must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 23, 2023. A bill introduced under this subsection shall be identified as an Agency Bill after its short title or in the drafting code.

(d) All public bills that would not be required to be re-referred to the Appropriations or Finance Committees under Rule 38 and all joint resolutions and House resolutions must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 22, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 18, 2023.

(e) All public bills, which under Rule 38 are required to be re-referred to either or both of the Appropriations Committee or the Finance Committee, must be submitted to the Legislative Drafting Division or the Legislative Analysis Division of the Legislative Services Office by 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, and must be introduced not later than 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 25, 2023. If any bill is subject to the deadline under this subsection and the bill is amended so that all the provisions requiring referral to either or both of those committees under Rule 38 do not remain in the bill, it is not eligible for further consideration.

(f) A bill containing no substantive provisions may not be introduced in the House.

(g) No member may introduce more than 15 public bills. For the purpose of this subsection, the introducer is the member who is listed as the first sponsor. A member may assign a portion of this limit to another member electronically using the procedures established and published by the Principal Clerk. This subsection does not apply to the following:

- (1) Bills or resolutions recommended by commissions or committees authorized or directed by act or resolution of the General Assembly (i) to report to the 2023 Regular Session of the General Assembly, or to report prior to convening of that session, or (ii) that are recommended to the Regular Session of the General Assembly by a commission or committee established directly by Chapter 120 of the General Statutes.

- (2) Joint resolutions or House resolutions.
- (3) Bills introduced by the Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House providing for action on gubernatorial nominations or appointments or for action on appointments by the General Assembly pursuant to G.S. 120-121.

(h) In order to be eligible for consideration by the House during the first Regular Session, all Senate bills other than (i) finance or appropriations bills that would be required to be re-referred to the Appropriations or Finance Committee under Rule 38, (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) adjournment resolutions must be received and read on the floor of the House as a message from the Senate no later than Thursday, May 4, 2023; provided that a message from the Senate 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 subsection and provided that the Senate has a similar rule.

(i) This rule, other than subsections (f) and (g), does not apply to bills (i) establishing districts for Congress or State or local entities, (ii) introduced on the report of the Committees on Appropriations, Finance, or Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, (iii) ratifying an amendment or amendments to the Constitution of the United States, (iv) providing for action on gubernatorial nominations or appointments, or (v) providing for action on appointments by the General Assembly pursuant to G.S. 120-121. This rule does not apply to resolutions pertaining to the internal affairs of the House or adjourning the General Assembly sine die or to a day certain.

RULE 32. Referral to Standing Committees; Serial Referrals; Re-referral of Bills From One Standing Committee to Another Standing Committee; Re-referral to Committee on Rules. - (a) Each bill not introduced on the report of a standing committee shall immediately upon its first reading be referred by the Speaker to such standing committee, select committee, or committee of the whole as the Speaker deems appropriate. The Speaker at the same time may order that, if the bill is reported with any favorable recommendation or without prejudice, it be re-referred automatically upon the committee report to another committee designated in the order. Each joint resolution or House resolution not introduced on the report of a standing committee shall immediately upon its first reading either be referred by the Speaker to a standing committee or be calendared on the date designated by the Speaker, as the Speaker deems appropriate.

(a1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this rule, any bill establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives may be placed on the calendar without being referred by the Speaker to a committee and on the same legislative day of its introduction or receipt from the Senate.

(b) Upon consent of the sponsor of the bill, the Speaker, the chair of the standing committee from which the bill is to be re-referred, and the chair of the standing committee to which the bill is to be re-referred, the chair of the standing committee from which the bill is to be re-referred or the Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House may move for a re-referral to another standing committee, and the bill shall be re-referred upon vote of the majority present during a regular session of the House.

(c) The Speaker may remove a bill from the committee to which the bill has been referred and may re-refer the bill to another committee.

(d) All public bills and resolutions reported by any standing committee must have also been reported by the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House prior to being calendared for consideration by the House. This rule may be waived by leave of the House.

RULE 33. Papers Addressed to the House. - Petitions, memorials, and other papers addressed to the House shall be presented by the Speaker. A brief statement of the contents thereof may be made orally by the introducer before referral to a committee, but such papers shall not be debated or decided on the day of their first being read unless the House shall direct otherwise.

RULE 34. Introduction of Resolutions and Bills. - (a) House Bills shall be designated as "H.B. ___." (No. following). A Joint Resolution shall be designated as "H.J.R. ___." (No. following). A House Resolution shall be designated as "H.R. ___." (No. following).

Whenever any resolution or bill is filed for introduction, it shall comply with the procedures established and published by the Principal Clerk.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this rule, no bill may be filed for introduction if the draft contains names preprinted on the bill jacket and body of the bill (either as primary sponsors or cosponsors) unless each such member has signed or initialed the jacket.

(c) A bill may be filed for introduction without the signature or initial of each member whose name appears on the preprinted bill jacket as a primary sponsor if each such member has approved being included as a primary sponsor using the member's electronic dashboard.

RULE 35. Public and Local Bills. - (a) The Legislative Services Officer shall cause such bills as are introduced to be duplicated in such numbers as may be specified by the Speaker. Copies shall be available in the Printed Bills Room and made available to the committees to which the bill is referred, to individual members on request, and to the general public.

(b) A public bill is a bill affecting 15 or more counties. A local bill is one affecting fewer than 15 counties.

RULE 35.1. Municipal Incorporation Reports. - Every legislative proposal introduced in the House or received in the House from the Senate, 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 House or by any committee of the House 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 the Municipal Incorporations Subcommittee of the Joint Legislative Committee on Local Government 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 36. Report by Standing Committee. - (a) **Reports.** - Bills and resolutions may be reported from the standing committee to which referred with such recommendations as the standing committee may desire to make.

(b) **Favorable Report.** - When a standing committee reports a bill with the recommendation that it be passed, the bill shall be placed on the favorable calendar on the day designated by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, but not on the same day that it is reported except by leave of the House, and no later than the fourth legislative day after submission of the report or Senate message under Rule 43.2 or Rule 43.3(a), unless:

- (1) The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations or Committee on Finance under Rule 38 or was serially referred under Rule 32; or
- (2) The bill has not yet been placed on the calendar, and the Speaker refers the bill to another committee.

In order to place a bill on the calendar for a legislative day, notice shall be given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House orally in the House or in writing to the Principal Clerk. When a committee substitute is adopted and receives a favorable report by the standing committee, the chair shall submit to the standing committee the question of an unfavorable report on the original bill. The standing committee's action, if any, on the original bill shall be reported at the same time the committee substitute is reported.

(b1) **Favorable Report of Bills Proposing Congressional or State Districts.** - Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this rule, a bill establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives that is reported favorably by a committee may be placed on the favorable calendar on the same day it is reported.

(c) **Report Without Prejudice.** - When a standing committee reports a bill without prejudice, the bill shall be placed on the favorable calendar in the same manner as provided in subsection (b) of this rule.

(d) **Postponed Indefinitely.** - When a standing committee reports a bill with the recommendation that it be postponed indefinitely and no minority report accompanies it, the bill shall be placed on the unfavorable calendar.

(e) **Unfavorable Report.** - When a standing committee reports a bill with the recommendation that it not be passed and no minority report accompanies it, the bill shall be placed on the unfavorable calendar.

(f) **Minority Report.** - When a bill is reported by a standing committee with a recommendation that it not be passed or that it be postponed indefinitely but it is accompanied by a minority report signed by at least one-fourth of the members of the standing committee who were present and voting when the bill was considered in standing committee, the question before the House shall be: "The adoption of the minority report." If the minority report is adopted by majority vote, the bill shall be placed on the favorable calendar for consideration. If the minority report fails of adoption by a majority vote, the bill shall be placed on the unfavorable calendar.

RULE 36.1. Fiscal Notes. - (a) The Chair or Cochair of the Appropriations Committee, of the Finance Committee, or of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, upon the floor of the House, may request that a fiscal analysis be made of a bill, a resolution, or an amendment to a bill or resolution which is in the possession of the House and that a fiscal note be attached to the measure, which request shall be allowed when, in the opinion of the Speaker, the fiscal effects of that measure are not apparent from the language of the measure. When a request is properly made under this subsection, the bill is removed from the calendar until such time that the fiscal note is attached to the measure.

(b) The fiscal note shall be filed and attached to the bill or amendment within two legislative days of the request, and a copy shall be sent by electronic mail to each member. If it is impossible to prepare a fiscal note within two legislative days, the Director of Fiscal Research shall, in writing, so advise the Speaker, the Principal Clerk, the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, 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 Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House 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 House.

(d) A sponsor of a bill or amendment may deliver a copy of the bill 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 filed or to the amendment when its adoption is moved.

(e) The sponsor of a bill 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 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 or amendment requiring an actuarial note under these rules.

RULE 36.1A. Distribution of Proposed Committee Substitutes. -

(a) No proposed committee substitute may be considered by a standing committee unless the proposed committee substitute shall have been distributed electronically no later than 9:00 P.M. of the preceding calendar day to the members of the committee and to the member who is listed as the first primary sponsor. This requirement may be waived by leave of the standing committee.

(b) Subsection (a) of this rule does not apply to a proposed committee substitute establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives.

RULE 36.2. 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;

shall have attached to it at the time of its consideration by any standing committee a brief explanatory statement or note which shall include a reliable estimate of the financial and actuarial effect of the proposed change to that retirement or pension system. The actuarial note shall be attached to the jacket of each proposed bill or resolution which is reported favorably by any standing committee, shall be separate therefrom, and shall be clearly designated as an actuarial note. A bill described in subdivision (a)(1) of this rule shall be referred to the Committee on Pensions and Retirement upon its introduction in accordance with G.S. 120-111.3.

(b) The sponsor of the bill or resolution shall present a copy of the measure, with a 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, unless an extension of time is agreed to by the sponsor as being necessary in the preparation of the note. 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 actuary employed by the system or program affected by the measure. Actuarial notes shall be prepared and transmitted to the sponsor of the measure not later than two weeks after the request is received, unless an extension of time is agreed to by the sponsor as being necessary in the preparation of the note. The actuarial note shall be attached to the jacket of the measure. The provisions of this subsection may be waived by the measure's sponsor for a measure affecting local government retirement or pension plans not administered by the State or any local government program of hospital, medical, disability, or related benefits for local government employees not administered by the State.

(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.

(e) When any standing 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 retirement or pension system, or program of hospital, medical, disability, or related benefits for teachers or State employees, the chair of the standing committee reporting the measure shall obtain from the Fiscal Research Division 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. An amendment to any bill or resolution shall not be in order if the amendment affects the costs to or the revenues of a State-administered retirement or pension system, or program of hospital, medical, disability, or related benefits for teachers or State employees, unless the amendment is accompanied by an actuarial note, prepared by the Fiscal Research Division, as to the actuarial effect of the amendment.

(f) The Fiscal Research Division shall make all relevant actuarial notes available to the membership of the House.

RULE 36.3. Local Legislation Affecting State Highway System. - A local bill affecting the State Highway System shall be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

RULE 36.4. Content of Appropriations Bills. - No provision shall be contained in any of the following bills unless it pertains to the appropriation of money or the raising or reducing of revenue: (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. If a point of order is made against such a provision and is sustained, the presiding officer shall refer the bill to the committee from which it came, with instructions for the chair of the committee to immediately report out a substitute or amendment removing the offending provision.

RULE 37. Removing Bill From Unfavorable Calendar. - A bill may be removed from the unfavorable calendar upon motion carried by a two-thirds vote. A motion to remove a bill from the unfavorable calendar is debatable.

RULE 38. Reports on Appropriation and Revenue Bills. - (a) All standing committees, other than the Standing Committees on Appropriations, when favorably reporting any bill or resolution that:

- (1) Carries an appropriation from the State; or
- (2) Requires or will require in the future substantial additional State monies from the General Fund or Highway Fund to implement its provisions shall indicate same in the report, and said bill or resolution shall be referred to the Standing Committees on Appropriations for a further report before being acted upon by the House.

(b) All standing committees, other than the Standing Committee on Finance, when favorably reporting any bill that in any way or manner raises revenue, reduces revenue, levies a tax, authorizes the levying of a tax, an assessment, or a fee, or authorizes the issue of bonds or notes, whether public or local, shall indicate same in the report, and said bill shall be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance for a further report before being acted upon by the House. This subsection shall not apply to bills only imposing fines, forfeitures, or penalties.

RULE 39. Discharge Petition. - (a) A motion to discharge a committee from consideration of a bill may be filed with the Principal Clerk by a primary sponsor of that measure if accompanied by a petition asking that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the bill. No motion may be filed until 10 legislative days after the bill has been referred to the committee. No petition may be filed until notice has been given on the floor of the House that the petition is to be filed and the primary sponsor giving notice has obtained a fiscal note from the Fiscal Research Division on the bill, which note shall be attached to the petition. Members may sign the petition only in the office of the Principal Clerk, and when the signatures of 61 members appear on the petition, the Principal Clerk shall place that motion on the calendar for the next legislative day as a special order of business. Members may withdraw their names at any time until 61 names appear. If the motion is adopted by the House, then the committee to which the bill or resolution has been referred is discharged from further consideration of the bill, and that bill is placed on the calendar for the next legislative day as a special order of business. The Principal Clerk shall provide a form for discharge petitions.

(b) This rule shall not be temporarily suspended without one day's notice on the motion given in the House and delivered in writing to the chair of the standing committee, and to sustain that motion two-thirds of the members shall be required.

RULE 40. Calendars and Schedules of Business. - The Clerk of the House shall prepare a daily schedule of business, including the Calendar of Bills and Resolutions for consideration and debate that day, in accordance with the Order of Business of the Day (Rule 5).

RULE 41. Reading of Bills. - (a) Every bill shall receive three readings in the House prior to its passage. The Speaker shall give notice at each subsequent reading whether it is the second or third reading.

(a1) The first reading and referral to standing committee of a House bill shall occur on the next legislative day following its introduction. The first reading and referral to standing committee of a Senate bill shall occur on the next legislative day following its receipt on messages from the Senate. This subsection does not apply to any bill establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives.

(b) Except for bills establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives, no bill shall be read more than once on the same day without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present and voting; provided, no bill governed by Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution herein shall be read twice on one day under any circumstance.

RULE 42. Effect of a Defeated Bill. - (a) Subject to the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) of this rule, after a bill has:

- (1) Been tabled,
- (2) Been postponed indefinitely,
- (3) Failed to pass on any of its readings, or
- (4) Been placed on the unfavorable calendar,

the contents of that bill or the principal provisions of its subject matter shall not be considered in any other measure originating in the Senate or originating thereafter in the House. Upon the point of order being raised and sustained by the chair, that measure shall be laid upon the table and shall not be taken therefrom except by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.

(b) No local bill shall be held by the chair to embody the contents of or the principal provisions of the subject matter of any statewide measure which has been laid on the table, has failed to pass on any of its readings, or has been placed on the unfavorable calendar.

(c) Subsection (a) of this rule does not apply to a bill that has received an unfavorable report from a committee if the committee has also in the same report reported favorable to the bill as amended or to a proposed committee substitute to the bill.

RULE 43. Amendments. - (a) No amendment to a measure before the House shall be in order unless the amendment is germane to the measure under consideration.

A House amendment deleting a previously adopted House amendment shall not be in order. No amendment that is clearly unconstitutional shall be in order.

Only one principal (first degree) amendment shall be pending at any one time. If a subsequent or substitute principal amendment shall be offered, the Speaker shall rule it out of order. However, any member desiring to offer a subsequent or substitute principal amendment in opposition to the pending amendment may inform the House by way of argument against the pending amendment that if it is defeated the member proposes to offer another principal amendment, and the member may then read and explain such proposed amendment.

Perfecting (or second degree) amendments may be offered and considered without limitation as to number, and in the event of multiple perfecting amendments, they shall be voted upon in inverse order.

(b) The following rules apply when considering: (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:

- (1) Amendments cannot increase total spending within a committee area beyond the total for that committee as shown in the committee report.
- (2) Amendments can only affect appropriations within the departments, agencies, or programs within the jurisdiction of the committee.
- (3) Amendments cannot increase total spending, from any source, beyond the total amount shown in the committee report.
- (4) Amendments that cause the budget to be unbalanced are not in order.
- (5) Amendments cannot spend reversions.
- (6) Amendments cannot make nonrecurring reductions to fund recurring items.

(c) When offering an amendment, the member shall deliver the signed original amendment to the Principal Clerk and a copy to the Chair of the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

RULE 43.1. Engrossment. - Bills and resolutions which originate in the House and which are amended, shall be engrossed before being sent to the Senate.

RULE 43.2. House Concurrence in Senate Amendments to House Bills. - When the House receives a Senate amendment to a bill originating in the House, it shall be placed on the calendar in accordance with Rule 36(b).

RULE 43.3. Committee Substitutes Adopted by the Senate to Bills Originating in the House; Procedure for Treatment of Material Amendments Thereto. - (a) Whenever the Senate has adopted a committee substitute for a bill originating in the House and has returned the bill to the House for concurrence in that committee substitute, it shall be placed on the calendar in accordance with Rule 36(b).

(b) The Speaker shall rule whether the committee substitute is a material amendment under Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution which reads:

"Revenue bills. - No law shall be enacted to raise money on the credit of the State, or to pledge the faith of the State directly or indirectly for the payment of any debt, or to impose any tax upon the people of the State, or to allow the counties, cities, or towns to do so, unless the bill for the purpose shall have been read three several times in each house of the General Assembly and passed three several readings, which readings shall have been on three different days, and shall have been agreed to by each house respectively, and unless the yeas and nays on the second and third readings of the bill shall have been entered on the journal."

If the committee substitute was referred to standing committee, the standing committee shall:

- (1) Report the bill with the recommendation either that the House do concur or that the House do not concur; and
- (2) Advise the Speaker as to whether or not that committee substitute is a material amendment under Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution.

(c) If the committee substitute for a bill is not a material amendment, the question before the House shall be concurrence.

(d) If the 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 House 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.

(e) No committee substitute adopted by the Senate for a bill originating in the House may be amended by the House.

RULE 44. Conference Standing Committees. - (a) Whenever the House shall decline or refuse to concur in amendments put by the Senate to a bill originating in the House, or shall refuse to concur in a substitute adopted by the Senate for a bill originating in the House, or whenever the Senate shall decline or refuse to concur in amendments put by the House to a bill originating in the Senate, or shall refuse to concur in a substitute adopted by the House for a bill originating in the Senate, a conference committee may be appointed by the Speaker upon the Speaker's own motion and shall be

appointed upon request by the principal sponsor of the original bill, the chair of the House standing committee that reported the bill, or the sponsor of the amendment in which the Senate refused to concur; and the bill under consideration shall thereupon go to and be considered by the joint conferees on the part of the House and Senate. In appointing members to conference committees, the Speaker shall appoint no less than a majority of members who generally supported the House position as determined by the Speaker.

(b) The conference report may be made by a majority of the House members of such conference committee and shall not be amended. If the Senate has a similar rule, only such matters as are in difference between the two houses shall be considered by the conferees and the conference report shall deal only with such matters. If the Senate does not have a similar rule, a conference committee report which includes significant matters that were not in difference between the houses shall be referred to a standing committee for its recommendation before further action by the House.

(c) If the conferees fail to agree or if either house fails to adopt the report of its conferees, new conferees may be appointed.

(d) Except by leave of the House and except as otherwise provided in this subsection, no vote shall be taken on adoption of a conference report until the next legislative day following the report. Except by leave of the House, no vote shall be taken on adoption of a conference report on either the Current Operations Appropriations Bill or a bill generally revising the Current Operations Appropriations Act until the second legislative day following the report.

(e) Notwithstanding subsection (d) of this rule, a conference report for a bill establishing districts for Congress or State Senators or State Representatives may be placed on the calendar for the legislative day the report is submitted.

RULE 44.1. Transmittal of Bills to Senate. - Unless ordered by the Speaker or two-thirds vote of the members present and voting, no bill shall be sent from the House on the day of its passage, except on the last day of the session.

RULE 44.2. Veto Override. - A vote on overriding a gubernatorial veto may be taken up on the legislative day it is received in the House from the Senate or Governor or any other legislative day it is printed on the calendar published by the Clerk of the House pursuant to Rule 40.

VII. Legislative Officers and Employees

RULE 45. Elected Officers. - (a) The House shall elect its Speaker from among its membership.

(b) The House shall elect its Speaker Pro Tempore from among its membership who shall perform such duties as the Speaker may assign.

(c) The House shall elect a Principal Clerk, who shall continue in office until another is elected. The Speaker may appoint a Reading Clerk and shall appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms, both of whom shall serve at the Speaker's pleasure. The Principal Clerk, Reading Clerk, and Sergeant-at-Arms shall have and perform duties and responsibilities, not inconsistent with these rules, as the Speaker may assign. Unless directed otherwise by the Speaker on behalf of the House, the Principal Clerk or an employee designated by the Principal Clerk shall receive House bills not approved by the Governor.

RULE 46. Assistants to Principal Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms. - The Principal Clerk and the Sergeant-at-Arms may appoint, with the approval of the Speaker, such assistants as may be necessary to the efficient discharge of the duties of their respective offices.

RULE 47. Speaker's Staff; Chaplain; and Pages. - (a) The Speaker may appoint one or more staff members to the Speaker, a Chaplain of the House, and pages to wait upon the sessions of the House.

(b) When the House is not in session, the pages shall be under the supervision of the Supervisor of Pages.

(c) The Speaker, at the request of a member, may appoint honorary pages.

RULE 48. Member's Staff. - (a) Each standing committee shall have a committee assistant. The committee assistant to a standing committee shall serve as staff to the chair of the standing committee.

(b) Each member shall be assigned a legislative assistant, unless the member has a committee assistant to serve as legislative assistant.

(c) The selection and retention of legislative assistants shall be the sole prerogative of the individual member or members. Such staff 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 Speaker. The legislative assistants shall adhere to such uniform rules and regulations not inconsistent with these rules regarding hours and other conditions of employment as the Legislative Services Commission shall fix by appropriate regulations. The Director of House Legislative Assistants shall be appointed by the Speaker.

RULE 49. Compensation of Legislative Assistants. - No person employed, serving, or appointed under Rules 46, 47, and 48 shall receive during such employment, appointment, or service any compensation from any department of the State government, and there shall not be voted, paid, or awarded any additional pay, bonus, or gratuity to any of them; but they shall receive only the pay now provided by law for such duties and services.

VIII. Privileges of the Hall

RULE 50. Admittance to Floor. - (a) No person except members, officers, and designated employees of the General Assembly who have been issued identification tags as provided by this rule, and former members of the General Assembly who are not registered under the provisions of Article 2 of Chapter 120C of the General Statutes, shall be allowed on the floor of the House during its session, unless permitted by the Speaker or otherwise provided by law. Employees of the General Assembly shall wear identification tags, approved by the Legislative Services Officer, when on the floor of the House.

(b) Except when a committee is meeting on the floor of the House, a person who is not authorized to be admitted to the floor under subsection (a) of this rule shall not be allowed to enter the Chamber until at least five minutes after adjournment or recess of the House.

RULE 51. Admittance of Press. - Reporters wishing to take down debates may be admitted by the Speaker, who shall assign such places to them on the floor or elsewhere, to effect this object, as shall not interfere with the convenience of the House. Reporters admitted to the floor of the House shall observe the same requirements of attire for members contained in Rule 12(h).

RULE 52. Extending Courtesies. - Courtesies of the floor, galleries, or lobby shall be extended at the discretion of the Speaker and only by the Speaker. Requests by members to extend these courtesies shall be delivered to the Speaker. No member shall orally ask the Speaker to extend these courtesies during the daily session.

RULE 53. Order in House Chamber, Galleries, and Lobby. - In case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct in the House Chamber, galleries, or lobby, the Speaker or other presiding officer is empowered to order the same to be cleared to the extent they deem necessary.

IX. General Rules

RULE 54. Attendance of Members. - Members and officers of the House shall request leaves from the service of the House with the Principal Clerk.

RULE 55. Documents to Be Signed by the Speaker. - All acts, addresses, and resolutions and all warrants and subpoenas issued by order of the House shall be signed by the Speaker or other presiding officer.

RULE 56. Printing or Reproducing Materials. - There shall be no printing or reproducing of paper(s) that are not legislative in essence except upon approval of the Speaker.

RULE 57. Placement or Circulation of Materials. - Persons other than members of the House shall not place or cause to be placed any materials on members' desks in the House Chamber without obtaining approval of the Speaker. Any material placed on members' desks in the House Chamber, or circulated to House members anywhere in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building, shall bear the name of the originator.

RULE 58. Rescission and Alteration of the Rules. - (a) These rules shall not be permanently rescinded or altered except by House simple resolution passed by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting. The introducer of the resolution must on the floor of the House give notice of intent to introduce the resolution on the legislative day preceding its introduction.

(b) Except as otherwise provided herein, the House upon two-thirds vote of the members present and voting may temporarily suspend any rule.

RULE 58.1. Temporary Modifications Due to State of Emergency. -

(a) The following modifications to these rules shall apply 24 hours after receipt by the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, and the Principal Clerk of written notification filed by the Speaker:

- (1) RULE 12(i) shall read as follows: "(i) The use of a mobile device or cellular phone for the purpose of making or receiving a phone call shall not be permitted in the House Chamber while the House is in session, except the Majority Leader, the Minority Leader, and a designee of a Leader under Rule 22.1(c) may use a mobile device or cellular phone during a vote to communicate in real time with members who have filed a voting designation pursuant to Rule 22.1, provided the use does not otherwise disrupt the decorum of the chamber."
- (2) RULE 13(a) shall read as follows: "RULE 13. **Motions Generally.** - (a) A motion that is complex, complicated, or otherwise not easily understood shall be reduced to writing at the request of the Speaker or any member. No motion relating to a bill shall be in order that does not identify the bill by its number and short title. No motion may be made, nor business presented, by a member who has filed a voting designation pursuant to Rule 22.1 affirming the member will not be present in the House during the time the designation is in effect and has not been revoked."
- (3) The rules are amended by adding a new rule to read: "RULE 22.1. **Designated Voting.** - (a) A member who is not present may designate either the Majority or the Minority Leader to cast the member's vote if the member has filed a voting designation with the Principal Clerk and at least 61 members have voted in the House Chamber when the question is put, after which the Speaker shall call upon the Majority and Minority Leaders to cast the votes of members who have made a designation pursuant to this Rule.
(b) A designation shall be in writing and on a form made available by the Principal Clerk. In order to be effective for that legislative day, the designation must be received by the Principal Clerk at least one hour prior to the time the House is scheduled to convene. The designation shall state the member will not be present

in the House, shall identify either the Majority or Minority Leader as the member's voting designee, and shall include both a commencement and expiration date. A designation may be revoked at any time by notifying the Principal Clerk.

- (c) The designated Leader may appoint another member to cast all votes designated to that Leader."
- (4) RULE 22(b) shall read as follows: "(b) Except as provided in Rule 22.1, no member may vote unless the member is in the Chamber. This subsection of this rule cannot be suspended."
- (4a) RULE 24(c) shall read as follows: "(c) No member may change a vote without leave of the House, but such leave shall not be granted if it affects the result or if the session in which the vote was taken has been adjourned.

No member who cast a vote using the designated voting procedure allowed under Rule 22.1 may change that vote without leave of the House, but such leave shall not be granted if it affects the result or if the session in which that vote was taken has been adjourned. A member who voted using the designated voting procedure allowed under Rule 22.1 may request a vote change by submitting a written request to the Leader the member originally designated who shall deliver the request to the Principal Clerk who shall officially receive it. The Principal Clerk shall provide a form to be used by members to request a change to a vote cast pursuant to Rule 22.1."

- (5) RULE 26(e) shall read as follows: "(e)The chair or acting chair, designated by the chair or by the Speaker, and five other members of the standing committee, or a majority of the standing committee, whichever is fewer, shall constitute a quorum of that standing committee. A quorum of less than a majority of all the members must include at least one member of the minority party. For purposes of determining a quorum, the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House; the Speaker Pro Tempore; the Majority Leader; and the Deputy Majority Leader, when serving only as ex officio members under subsection (d) of this rule, shall be counted among the membership of the committee only when present or participating remotely pursuant to Rule 28(a). A committee member who is participating remotely under Rule 28(a) shall be counted as present for quorum purposes."

- (6) RULE 28(a) shall read as follows: "RULE 28. **Standing Committee Meetings.** - (a) Standing committees shall be furnished with suitable meeting places pursuant to a schedule established by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Select committees shall be furnished with suitable meeting places as their needs require by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House. Committees may conduct meetings with members participating remotely and such members may vote on any measure or motion before the committee provided all of the following requirements are met:
- (1) Each member is able to communicate, in real time, with all other members by (i) in-person communication, (ii) remote communication using devices or programs that transmit audio or audio and video, or (iii) both.
 - (2) All documents considered by the committee are provided to members.
 - (3) The committee otherwise complies with G.S. 143-318.13(a)."
- (7) RULE 32(d) is repealed.
- (8) RULE 36(b) shall read as follows: "(b) **Favorable Report.** - When a standing committee reports a bill with the recommendation that it be passed, the bill shall be placed on the favorable calendar on the day designated by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, but no later than the fourth legislative day after submission of the report or Senate message under Rule 43.2 or Rule 43.3(a), unless:
- (1) The bill is re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations or Committee on Finance under Rule 38 or was serially referred under Rule 32; or
 - (2) The bill has not yet been placed on the calendar, and the Speaker refers the bill to another committee.

In order to place a bill on the calendar for a legislative day, notice shall be given by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House orally in the House or in writing to the Principal Clerk. When a committee substitute is adopted and receives a favorable report by the standing committee, the chair shall submit to the standing committee the question of an unfavorable report on the original bill. The standing committee's action, if any, on the original bill shall be reported at the same time the committee substitute is reported."

- (9) RULE 41 shall read as follows: "RULE 41. **Reading of Bills.** - Every bill shall receive three readings in the House prior to its passage. The Speaker shall give notice at each subsequent reading whether it is the second or third; provided, no bill governed by Section 23 of Article II of the North Carolina Constitution herein shall be read twice on one day under any circumstance."
- (10) Notwithstanding Rule 44(d), a conference report may be placed on the calendar for the legislative day on which the report is received. The Speaker shall provide notice as soon as practicable to the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader if the Speaker anticipates a conference report will be placed on the favorable calendar the same day the report is received.

RULE 59. Cosponsorship of Bills and Resolutions, Removal of Sponsorship. - (a) Except by leave of the primary sponsor, or as provided in subsection (d) of this rule, no member may be listed as an additional primary sponsor on a bill after the bill has been filed. Except as provided in subsection (d) of this rule, any member not listed as a preprinted cosponsor on the computer-generated draft edition who wishes to cosponsor a bill or resolution which has been introduced may do so by 5:00 P.M. of the calendar day following the adjournment of the session during which such bill or resolution was first read and referred, but only electronically under procedures approved by the Principal Clerk.

(b) Members wishing to cosponsor legislation prior to preparation of the draft should indicate such to the drafter at the time the bill is requested and before filing the bill with the Principal Clerk's office. The names of the members who are the primary sponsors shall be listed in the order requested by them, followed by the words (Primary Sponsors); and the remaining names of such members cosponsoring shall follow on the draft edition and first edition. No more than four members may be listed as primary sponsors. Names of persons cosponsoring bills thereafter under subsection (a) of this rule do not appear on subsequent editions but shall be listed in the bill status system as cosponsors.

(c) No member shall permit anyone, other than that member's committee assistant, legislative assistant, office assistant, or another member, to have possession of and solicit for bill or resolution sponsorship, the jacket of a bill or resolution.

(d) Should any member wish to remove the member's sponsorship of a bill that is substantially changed by a Senate amendment or a Senate committee substitute, the member shall notify the House Principal Clerk before the bill is considered for concurrence. If no sponsors remain on the bill, the House Principal Clerk shall notify the Chair of the Standing

Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House who may request that other members sponsor the bill. Removal of the first primary sponsor's name from a bill does not reduce the total number of bills introduced by the member under Rule 31.1(g), and sponsorship of a bill after removal of all sponsors is subject to Rule 31.1(g).

RULE 60. Correcting of Typographical Errors. - The Legislative Services Officer may correct typographical errors appearing in House bills or resolutions or House amendments to Senate bills provided that such corrections are made before ratification and do not conflict with any actions or rules of the Senate and provided further that such correction be approved by the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, the Speaker, or other presiding officer.

RULE 61. Assignment of Seats. - After initial assignment of seats, a member shall continue to occupy the seat to which initially assigned until assigned a permanent seat; once assigned a permanent seat, the member shall occupy it for the entire biennial session. In event of vacancy, the Speaker or the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House may assign such permanent seats as are necessary to maintain seating.

RULE 61.1. Office Assignments. - The Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House shall assign to each member an office space. When available, chairs of standing committees shall be assigned an office adjacent to the room in which the standing committee generally meets if the Chair so desires. The Speaker shall be assigned an office of his or her choice.

RULE 61.2. Convening and Assigning Seats in the New House. -
(a) The Principal Clerk of the previous House of Representatives shall convene the House of Representatives at 12:00 P.M. on the date established by law for the convening of each regular session and preside over the body until the members elect a Speaker. In the case of a vacancy, inability, or refusal to so serve, the duty shall devolve upon the Sergeant-at-Arms of the prior House, and in the case of a vacancy in that office, or inability or refusal to so serve, the duty shall devolve upon the Reading Clerk of the prior House.

(b) It shall be the duty of the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House of the prior House to assign temporary seats to the members of the House of Representatives in its Chamber. In the case of the inability or refusal to serve of the Chair of the Standing Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, the Speaker of the prior House of Representatives shall appoint a person to assign seats to members of the House of Representatives in its Chamber. In the event that the party that had a majority of members in the prior House will no longer have a majority of members in the new House, then the duty assigned in this subsection to the Chair of the Committee of the prior House shall instead be

the duty of the person nominated as Speaker by the majority party caucus for the new House, or some member-elect designated by the Speaker-nominee. In the event no party will have a majority, then the duty assigned in this subsection to the Chair of the Committee of the prior House shall instead be the joint duty of one person chosen each by the caucuses of the two parties having the greatest numbers of members.

RULE 61.3. Livestreaming Sessions. - To the extent any session of the House is livestreamed, the methods used for the livestreaming shall comply with the policies and procedures established and published by the Principal Clerk.

RULE 62. Matters Not Covered in These Rules. - Except as herein set out, the rules of Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure shall govern the operation of the House.

SECTION 2. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

H.R. 311, A HOUSE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. There is created the House Select Committee on Homeowners' Associations (Select Committee).

SECTION 2. The Select Committee shall consist of nine members of the House of Representatives appointed upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, with one of those members designated as chair.

SECTION 3. The Select Committee shall study the following with regards to homeowners' associations (HOAs), including unit owners' associations governed by Chapter 47C of the General Statutes and owners' associations governed by Chapter 47F of the General Statutes:

- (1) Current laws applicable to HOAs.
- (2) Existing remedies for HOA violations of their obligations under the law and recommended additional remedies for such violations.
- (3) Executive agencies that are best positioned to assist homeowners in resolving complaints against HOAs for violations of law.
- (4) Any other relevant issue the Select Committee deems appropriate.

SECTION 4. The Select Committee shall meet upon the call of the chair. A quorum of the Select Committee is a majority of its members. No action may be taken except by majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present. The Select Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers provided for under G.S. 120-19 and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4. The Select Committee may contract for professional,

clerical, or consultant services, as provided by G.S. 120-32.02. If the Select Committee hires a consultant, the consultant shall not be a State employee or a person currently under contract with the State to provide services. Members of the Select Committee shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowance as provided in G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5, or 138-6, as appropriate. The expenses of the Select Committee shall be paid upon the written approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to G.S. 120-32.02(c) and G.S. 120-35 from funds available to the House of Representatives for its operation.

SECTION 5. The Legislative Services Office shall assign professional and clerical staff to assist the Select Committee in its work. The Director of Legislative Assistants of the House of Representatives shall assign clerical support to the Select Committee.

SECTION 6. The Select Committee shall submit a final report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the General Assembly on or before March 1, 2024, by filing a copy of the report with the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Legislative Library. The Select Committee shall terminate on March 1, 2024, or upon the filing of its final report, whichever occurs first.

SECTION 7. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

H.R. 352, A HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO WORK MORE CLOSELY WITH JAPAN ON TRADE ISSUES AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT, EXPRESSING SUPPORT TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS FOR THE UNITED STATES-JAPAN ALLIANCE AND REMORSE AT THE SLAYING OF FORMER JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER ABE SHINZŌ, CELEBRATING ONE HUNDRED THIRTY YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN NORTH CAROLINA AND JAPAN, AND REAFFIRMING THE BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND STATE OF JAPAN IN THE REIWA ERA.

Whereas, North Carolina and Japan have enjoyed 130 years of friendly relations since Japan sent its first student nationals, Mogi Shinzaburō, to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1893, and Sugishita Teisaku, to attend North Carolina State University (then "North Carolina State College") in 1894; and

Whereas, Japan is North Carolina's second-largest foreign investor, with nearly \$5 billion invested by Japanese companies in North Carolina's economy to date and nearly \$7 billion in investment announced since 2018; and

Whereas, more large companies investing in North Carolina come from Japan than any other foreign nation; and

Whereas, Japan employs over 24,000 North Carolina workers, or roughly 10% of all North Carolina workers employed by foreign companies, with over 5,000 additional jobs announced by Japanese companies since 2018; and

Whereas, trade with Japan annually accounts for nearly \$4 billion in economic activity for the State of North Carolina; and

Whereas, Japan and the United States have been close allies since 1952, safeguarding peace in the Pacific; and

Whereas, the post-war order of which both the United States and Japan have been resolute defenders and beneficiaries, an order which rests soundly on democracy and friendly trade, faces subversion by rogue actors and disaffected nations; and

Whereas, Japan is a vibrant, wealthy democracy and a model for democracies throughout Asia; and

Whereas, Abe Shinzō was a stalwart friend of the United States, an adamant supporter of the US-Japan alliance, and a leading voice for stability and cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region; and

Whereas, Abe Shinzō was the longest-serving prime minister in Japan's history, who worked alongside four Presidents of the United States—George Bush, Barack Obama, Donald Trump, and then-Vice President Joe Biden—on trade relations, peace, and security in Asia; and

Whereas, Abe Shinzō was assassinated in Japan on July 8, 2022, while campaigning in the oldest democracy in Asia; and

Whereas, the use of violence, whether by foreign nations or rogue actors, to attack democratically elected officials and disrupt international peace is profoundly evil; and

Whereas, North Carolina remains committed to its friendship with Japan and to the US-Japan alliance and peaceful trade between the nations; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The House of Representatives recognizes the historic significance of the friendship and alliance between the United States and Japan.

SECTION 2. The House of Representatives commends the people of Japan for their incredible achievements over 75 years of peaceful friendship with the United States, in building the oldest democratic system in Asia and the second-largest democratic economy in the world, and for serving as a valuable pillar of stability in Asia and for world peace.

SECTION 3. The House of Representatives applauds Japan for its continued commitment as a friend and economic partner to the State of North Carolina.

SECTION 4. The House of Representatives expresses profound grief over the death of former Prime Minister of Japan, Abe Shinzō, and condemns his killing as an attack on Japan's democracy and on its unparalleled friendship with the United States.

SECTION 5. The House of Representatives affirms the continuing friendship and cooperation between Japan and the State of North Carolina and expresses heartfelt optimism for deeper ties between the people of Japan and the people of North Carolina.

SECTION 6. The House of Representatives urges Congress to work more closely with the nation of Japan on mutually beneficial trade relations to encourage the reciprocal flow of foreign direct investment and participation of Japanese and American companies in the economy of both the United States and Japan, respectively.

SECTION 7. The House of Representatives expresses to Congress its full support of the 70 year old alliance between the United States of America and Japan, which has served as a pillar of stability and security in the Indo-Pacific throughout the Cold War to the current day.

SECTION 8. The House of Representatives urges Congress to recognize the strategic importance of the Indo-Pacific region to the economies of the United States and North Carolina and the necessity of a Free and Open Indo-Pacific to safeguard the sanctity of friendly trade and international law.

SECTION 9. The Principal Clerk shall transfer a printed copy of this resolution to a committee designated by the North Carolina Legislative Caucus on Economic Development and Foreign Trade to be hand-delivered to a representative of Japan in a ceremony in Raleigh.

SECTION 10. If the committee referenced in Section 9 of this act is unable to hand-deliver this resolution in the manner described above by March 31, 2023, the Principal Clerk shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the Embassy of Japan in Washington, D.C., and the Consulate-General of Japan in Atlanta, Georgia.

SECTION 11. The Principal Clerk shall transmit copies of this resolution to each member of North Carolina's Congressional Delegation, to the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives and the Secretary of the United States Senate, and to the President of the United States.

SECTION 12. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

H.R. 499, A HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF THE LUMBEE FAIRNESS ACT, WHICH EXTENDS FULL FEDERAL RECOGNITION TO THE LUMBEE TRIBE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, the State of North Carolina has recognized the Lumbee as an Indian tribe since 1885; and

Whereas, the Lumbee Tribe has fought to gain federal recognition for more than a century, beginning in 1888, when the Tribe petitioned Congress for recognition and assistance but was denied; and

Whereas, since that time, numerous bills have been introduced to recognize the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina; and

Whereas, in 1956, Congress passed the Lumbee Act, which recognized the Lumbee as Indians but withheld the full benefits of federal recognition given to other tribes; and

Whereas, on February 16, 2023, Senators Thom Tillis and Ted Budd introduced the Lumbee Fairness Act, which extends full federal recognition to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and makes its members eligible for the same services and benefits provided to members of other federally recognized tribes. An identical bill was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives on February 17, 2023, by Congress members David Rouzer, Dan Bishop, Donald David, Richard Hudson, Kathy Manning, Gregory Murphy, and Deborah Ross; and

Whereas, the Lumbee Indians deserve to have full federal recognition of their status as an Indian tribe and that the benefits, privileges, and immunities that accompany such status should be accorded to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina; and

Whereas, the State of North Carolina urges Congress to support legislation extending full federal recognition to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The House of Representatives expresses support of the passage of the Lumbee Fairness Act or similar legislation and urges Congress to enact such legislation or similar legislation.

SECTION 2. The Principal Clerk shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the members of North Carolina's congressional delegation.

SECTION 3. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

H.R. 894, A HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL, REAFFIRMING BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA AND ISRAEL, AND URGING CONGRESS TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN NORTH CAROLINA, THE UNITED STATES, AND ISRAEL.

Whereas, on May 14, 1948, the people of Israel proclaimed the establishment of the sovereign and independent modern State of Israel as a successor and outgrowth of the historic kingdom of Israel and the United States government established full diplomatic relations with Israel; and

Whereas, since its establishment 75 years ago, the modern State of Israel has rebuilt a nation, forged a new and dynamic democratic society, and created a thriving economic, political, cultural, and intellectual life, despite the heavy costs of war and terrorism against the State and its people; and

Whereas, Israel has developed some of the leading universities in the world, and 13 Israeli citizens have been awarded the Nobel Prize; and

Whereas, Israel has developed an advanced, entrepreneurial economy, is a global leader in the high-tech industry, and is at the forefront of research and development in fields such as agriculture, medicine, and renewable energy sources; and

Whereas, Israel has developed and pioneered techniques for expanding the yield and quality of crops in areas with limited water resources and for making agriculture cleaner and more efficient overall; and

Whereas, Israel is a world leader in technologies that make industry more efficient and minimize the environmental impact of human activities in countries with booming populations, shrinking resources, and environmental degradation; and

Whereas, Israel regularly sends humanitarian aid, search and rescue teams, mobile hospitals, and other emergency supplies to help victims of disasters around the world; and

Whereas, North Carolina has exported over \$2.9 billion in goods and services to Israel since 1996 and, as of 2021, ranks 19th among all states in exports to Israel; and

Whereas, Israel has established peaceful bilateral relations with two former combatant states, Egypt and Jordan, and has sought to achieve a secure peace with the Palestinians and Israel's other Arab neighbors; and

Whereas, for 75 years, the United States and Israel have maintained a special relationship based on mutually shared democratic values, common strategic interests, and moral bonds of friendship and mutual respect; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The House of Representatives recognizes the historic significance of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the reestablishment of the State of Israel as a homeland for the Jewish people and reaffirms its enduring support for Israel as Israel pursues peace with its neighbors.

SECTION 2. The House of Representatives commends the people of Israel for their remarkable achievements in building a new nation and a pluralistic, democratic society in the face of terrorism and looks forward to increased trade and enhanced economic, scientific, cultural, and educational cooperation for the mutual benefit and prosperity of the citizens of North Carolina and the people of Israel.

SECTION 3. The House of Representatives extends the warmest congratulations and best wishes to the State of Israel and the Israeli people for a peaceful, secure, and successful future.

SECTION 4. The House of Representatives also urges Congress to continue its support of the relationships between North Carolina, the United States, and Israel.

SECTION 5. The Principal Clerk shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the Executive Directors of the Jewish Federations in North Carolina and North Carolina's congressional delegation.

SECTION 6. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

H.R. 895, A HOUSE RESOLUTION ELECTING DR. PEARL BURRIS-FLOYD, C. PHILIP BYERS, SWADESH CHATTERJEE, R. GENE DAVIS, JR., H. TERRY HUTCHENS, AND J. ALEX MITCHELL TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, G.S. 116-6(a) directs the House of Representatives to elect six members to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina this year; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives may determine its own procedure; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The following persons are elected to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina for terms commencing July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2027:

- (1) Dr. Pearl Burris-Floyd of Gaston County.
- (2) C. Philip Byers of Rutherford County.
- (3) Swadesh Chatterjee of Wake County.
- (4) R. Gene Davis, Jr., of Wake County.
- (5) H. Terry Hutchens of Cumberland County.
- (6) J. Alex Mitchell of Chatham County.

SECTION 2. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

H.R. 896, A HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY OF INDIA AND URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CONTINUE EXPANDING ECONOMIC AND SECURITY TIES BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND INDIA.

Whereas, on August 15, 1947, the nation of India declared its independence from British rule; and

Whereas, India is the largest democracy in the world and has made an indelible mark on history; and

Whereas, the State of North Carolina values our long-standing friendship with the nation of India, marked by a visit from a delegation of the

North Carolina House of Representatives to India 10 years ago, and most recently in April of 2023, when the Indian Ambassador to the U.S. visited the North Carolina House of Representatives; and

Whereas, the economic and business ties between the United States and India have grown significantly over the years; and

Whereas, the State of North Carolina celebrates and values the growing Indian Community in North Carolina and their contributions to our State; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The North Carolina House of Representatives recognizes the 77th Independence Day of India and commemorates the anniversary of India's hard-fought freedom.

SECTION 2. The North Carolina House of Representatives urges the United States Congress to continue to expand the economic and security ties between the United States and India.

SECTION 3. The Principal Clerk shall transmit a copy of this resolution to each member of North Carolina's Congressional Delegation, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, and the President of the United States.

SECTION 4. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

H.R. 897, A HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO SUPPORT THE NATION OF ISRAEL IN RESPONSE TO THE UNPROVOKED ATTACKS.

Whereas, on October 7, 2023, the terrorist organization Hamas launched an unprovoked attack on Israeli civilians; and

Whereas, innocent men, women, and children have been captured and killed by Hamas terrorists; and

Whereas, Israel declared war against Hamas on Sunday, October 8, 2023; and

Whereas, Israel and the United States of America are close friends and allies thanks to the 75-year partnership between our two countries, built on mutual interests and shared democratic values; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

SECTION 1. The United States Congress is urged to offer full and unequivocal support of Israel financially and otherwise for as long as it takes for Israel to bring justice in light of the unprovoked attacks on innocent Israeli civilians.

SECTION 2. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

**BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
APPOINTMENTS
(January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023)**

(CC) Co-Chair

(VC) Vice Chair

(RA) Reappointment

	<u>APPOINTED</u>	<u>EXPIRES</u>
911 BOARD		
G.S. 143B-1401(a)(2)(a),(c),(e)		
Hon. John T. Cole (RA) (Fire Chief)	1/1/2023	12/31/2025
Hon. B. Phil Howell (Sheriff)	1/1/2023	12/31/2025
Ms. Melanie A. Neal (RA) (Representative of APCO)	1/1/2023	12/31/2025

ACUPUNCTURE LICENSING BOARD

G.S. 90-453(a)

Dr. Lissa H. Juedemann (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2026
Mrs. Amanda J. Nolff	8/23/2023	6/30/2026

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE,
JOINT LEGISLATIVE**

G.S. 120-70.100(a)(2)

Rep. Sarah Stevens (RA) (CC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Dennis Riddell (RA) (VC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Kevin Crutchfield	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Allison A. Dahle (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Jon Hardister (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Tim Longest	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Charles Smith	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Larry C. Strickland (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025

AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION

G.S. 143B-135(b)(3)

Mr. Robert M. Freeman, II (RA)	10/1/2023	9/30/2026
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**AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES,
JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON**

G.S. 120-310

Rep. Jimmy Dixon (RA) (CC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Karl E. Gillespie (VC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Celeste C. Cairns	12/12/2023	1/15/2025

**AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES,
JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON-Contd.**

Rep. Kyle Hall (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Chris Humphrey (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Jeffrey C. McNeely (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025

Advisory Members

Rep. Eric Ager	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Pricey Harrison (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Jake Johnson (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Dennis Riddell (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Phil Shepard (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025

APPRAISAL BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 93E-1-5(a)		
Mrs. Marcella Coley	8/23/2023	6/30/2026
Mr. Jack C. "Cal" Morgan, III (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2026

**ATHLETIC TRAINER EXAMINERS, NORTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF**

G.S. 90-524(b)(2)		
Mrs. Janna C. Fonseca (RA)	8/23/2023	7/31/2026
Dr. Garrett R. Franklin	8/23/2023	7/31/2026
Ms. Jillian M. Sarm	8/23/2023	7/31/2026

**BARBER AND ELECTROLYSIS EXAMINERS, NORTH CAROLINA
BOARD OF**

G.S. 86B-1(1), (2)		
Mr. Don A. Beal	4/11/2023	12/31/2025
(As a barber)		
Ms. Margaret S. Wingate	4/11/2023	12/31/2025
(As an electrolysis)		

**BIOTECHNOLOGY CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
NORTH CAROLINA**

Bylaws		
Mr. Neal Fowler (RA)	8/17/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. William A. "Bill" Hawkins, III (RA)	8/17/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Benjamin P. Teague (RA)	8/17/2023	6/30/2025

BOXING AND COMBAT SPORTS COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S.143B-652.2		
Dr. Scott A. Playford (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2026

BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY COUNCIL, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143B-216.66(a)(2)a, c

Mr. John L. Dickerhoff (RA)	8/23/2023	9/30/2027
(At-large member who may be a nurse or rehab specialist)		
(RA)	11/24/2023	9/30/2027
Dr. Edward C. Jauch (RA)	8/23/2023	9/30/2027
(RA)	11/24/2023	9/30/2027
(Physician)		

CANCER COORDINATION AND CONTROL, ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON

G.S. 130A-33.50(b)

Rep. Kevin Crutchfield	8/10/2023	6/30/2027
Rep. Ken Fontenot	8/10/2023	6/30/2027
Rep. Donna McDowell White (RA)	8/10/2023	6/30/2027
Ms. Emily Smith Moser (RA)	8/10/2023	6/30/2027
(Cancer survivor)		
Mrs. Elizabeth K. Upchurch (RA)	8/10/2023	6/30/2027
(Cancer survivor)		

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON

G.S. 120-261

Rep. Dean Arp (RA) (CC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Kelly E. Hastings (RA) (CC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Matthew Winslow (VC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Allen Chesser	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Jon Hardister (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Frances Jackson, PhD	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Joe John	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Abe Jones (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025

CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143B-374(a)

Rep. Dean Arp (RA)	1/31/2023	12/31/2024
Rep. Tricia Ann Cotham	1/31/2023	12/31/2024
Rep. Kelly E. Hastings	1/31/2023	12/31/2024
Rep. John Sauls (RA)	1/31/2023	12/31/2024

CATAWBA/WATEREE RIVER BASIN ADVISORY COMMISSION

G.S. 77-113(a)(1)

Rep. Jay Adams (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2024
Rep. Grey Mills (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2024

CENTENNIAL AUTHORITY

G.S. 160A-480.3

Mr. R. Doyle Parrish (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
Mr. Kieran Shanahan (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027

CHILD CARE COMMISSION

G.S. 143B-168.4(a)

Mrs. Lea B. Gombar	4/11/2023	6/30/2023
(Filling the unexpired term of Mr. Perry Melton)		
(RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mrs. Kimberly J. McClure (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025

CHILD FATALITY TASK FORCE, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 7B-1402(b)(24)

Rep. Donnie Loftis	12/4/2023	1/31/2024
(Filling the unexpired term of Rep. Steve Tyson)		

CHILDREN, COUNCIL ON EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR EXCEPTIONAL

G.S. 115C-112.1(b)

Rep. Ken Fontenot	8/2/2023	6/30/2025
(Filling the unexpired term of Rep. Larry C. Strickland)		
Rep. Larry C. Strickland (RA)	7/12/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Chris R. Wall (RA)	7/12/2023	6/30/2025
(Parent of a child with a disability)		

CHILDREN, INC., NORTH CAROLINA PARTNERSHIP FOR

G.S. 143B-168.12(a)(1)(f)

Mrs. Betty Crow-Kennedy	4/11/2023	12/31/2023
(Filling the unexpired term of Dr. Paul Popish)		

CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS, STATE BOARD OF

G.S. 90-139

Dr. R. Todd Shaver (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
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COASTAL RESOURCES COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 113A-104

Mr. Lawrence F. "Larry" Baldwin (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
Mr. Stephen B. King (Ambassador RET)	11/6/2023	6/30/2027

CODE OFFICIALS QUALIFICATION BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143-151.9(a)(7)

Mr. Nathan A. Matthews (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
Mr. Mark A. Smith (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027

COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

G.S. 115D-12

Mr. Dennis C. Bailey (RA) (Cleveland)	8/24/2023	6/30/2027
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Ms. Elizabeth H. Maddrey (Rockingham)	8/24/2023	6/30/2027
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COURTS COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 7A-506(d)

Rep. Charles W. Miller (Filling the unexpired term of Rep. Lee Zachary)	3/1/2023	6/30/2023
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(RA)	7/19/2023	6/30/2027
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Rep. A. Reece Pyrtle, Jr. (Filling the unexpired term of Rep. David Rogers)	3/1/2023	6/30/2023
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(RA)	7/19/2023	6/30/2027
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Rep. Sarah Stevens (RA)	7/19/2023	6/30/2027
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CRIME COMMISSION, GOVERNOR'S

G.S. 143B-1100(b)(4)

Mr. Thomas F. Marcham	2/28/2023	2/28/2025
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Mr. R.W. "Ricky" Parks (RA)	2/28/2023	2/28/2025
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CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION COMMISSION

G.S. 15B-3

Mr. John W. Kahl	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
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CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING STANDARDS COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 17C-3(a)(5)

Mr. Chet A. Effler	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
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Mr. Shawn L. Owens	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
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Mr. David L. Rose (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
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Mrs. Angela L. Williams (RA)	8/24/2023	6/30/2025
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CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION NETWORK GOVERNING BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143B-1204(b)(2)

Hon. Laura L. Fahnestock (Filling the unexpired term of the Hon. Tare Davis)	11/24/2023	6/30/2025
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Mr. Duncan E. Jagers	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
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Mr. Jeffrey M. Oliver (Public member)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
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DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING, COUNCIL FOR THE

G.S. 143B-216.32(a)

Rep. Ya Liu	3/22/2023	6/30/2025
(Filling the unexpired term of Rep. Carla D. Cunningham as a member)		

DEAF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL FOR THE

G.S. 115C-150.12A(a)(1)(a)

Mr. Kenneth A. Jones	8/24/2023	6/30/2026
Mr. Patrick C. Miller	8/24/2023	6/30/2028
Mrs. Sandra K. Turner	8/24/2023	6/30/2026
Mrs. M. Tammy Weiner	8/24/2023	6/30/2028

DEBT AFFORDABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

G.S. 142-101(a)(7)

Mr. Eugene W. Chianelli, Jr. (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2024
Mr. Donald G. Pomeroy, II (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2024

DIETETICS AND NUTRITION, NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF

G.S. 90-354(a)(2)

Ms. Margaret E. King	4/11/2023	6/30/2024
(Filling the unexpired term of Ms. Karen Thomas)		
Ms. Christi C. Nicholson, MS,RD,LDN (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2026

DISCIPLINARY HEARING COMMISSION OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BAR

G.S. 84-28.1(a)

Mr. Lawrence J. Shaheen	11/24/2023	6/30/2024
(Attorney)		

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMISSION

G.S. 143B-394.15(c)(3)

Mrs. Michelle C. Bardsley	9/1/2023	8/31/2025
(Public member)		
Ms. Saira Estrada (RA)	9/1/2023	8/31/2025
(Cultural and linguistic minority)		
Hon. Nathaniel M. Knust (RA)	9/1/2023	8/31/2025
(District court judge)		

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE

G.S. 120-70.130(2)

Rep. Jason Saine (CC)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Kanika Brown	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Mike Clampitt (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE-Contd.**

Rep. Ted Davis, Jr. (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Jake Johnson	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Jarrod Lowery	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Erin Paré (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Garland E. Pierce (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. John Sauls (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Advisory Members		
Rep. Jeffrey C. McNeely (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Steve Tyson (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Shelly Willingham (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP OF NORTH
CAROLINA, INC.**

G.S. 143B-431.01

Mr. Bhaskar R. Venepalli	8/8/2023	10/5/2025
(Filling the unexpired term of Mr. Swadesh Chatterjee)		

EDENTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION

G.S. 143B-98

Mr. Earl L. Ijames	2/1/2023	12/31/2024
Ms. Sara Francis Kehayes (RA)	2/1/2023	12/31/2024
Mrs. Susan G. Nolton (RA)	2/1/2023	12/31/2024
Mrs. Clara M. Stage (RA)	2/1/2023	12/31/2024

EDUCATION COMMISSION OF THE STATES

G.S. 115C-104

Rep. Hugh Blackwell (RA)	4/11/2023	12/31/2023
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**EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MILITARY
CHILDREN STATE COUNCIL, INTERSTATE COMMISSION ON**

G.S. 115C-407.6

Rep. Erin Paré	4/11/2023	12/31/2025
(Filling the unexpired term of for Rep. John Szoka)		

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE,
JOINT LEGISLATIVE**

G.S. 120-70.150

Rep. John R. Bell, IV (RA) (CC)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Mark Pless (CC)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. John Faircloth (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. B. Ray Jeffers	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Brenden H. Jones (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Garland E. Pierce (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025

ENERGY POLICY COUNCIL, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 113B-3(c)(3), (11)

Mr. John Szoka	1/15/2023	6/30/2023
(Filling the unexpired term of Mr. Ryan Gragg as someone who has experience in environmental management)		
(RA)	8/2/2023	6/30/2026
Mr. John D. White	2/1/2023	6/30/2023
(Filling the unexpired term of Mr. Bruce Barkley as an investor/owner in a natural gas public utility)		
(RA)	8/2/2023	6/30/2026

ENERGY POLICY, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON

G.S. 120-285(b)(2)

Rep. Dean Arp (RA) (CC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Kyle Hall	12/12/2023	1/15/2023
Rep. Pricey Harrison (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Charles W. Miller (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Matthew Winslow	12/12/2023	1/15/2025

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

G.S. 143B-283

Mr. John "JD" D. Solomon (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
(Public member)		

EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE COMMISSION

Pursuant to NC Supreme Court Order (5)(a) signed on 11/3/2005

Rep. Sarah Stevens	2/2/2023	1/15/2025
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FORESTRY ADVISORY COUNCIL

G.S. 143A-66.2(b)

Mr. Christopher C. Logan (RA)	7/19/2023	6/30/2027
(Representative of the logging industry)		

GENERAL GOVERNMENT, JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON

G.S. 120-305

Rep. George G. Cleveland (RA) (CC)	12/4/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Dennis Riddell (RA) (CC)	12/4/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Mark Brody (RA) (VC)	12/4/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Carolyn G. Logan (RA)	12/4/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Howard Penny, Jr. (RA)	12/4/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Joseph Pike	12/4/2023	1/15/2025

GENERAL STATUTES COMMISSION

G.S. 164-14(a)(6)

Rep. Ted Davis, Jr. (RA) 9/1/2023 8/31/2025

**GLOBAL TRANSPARK AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 63A-3(b)(2)

Mr. Michael A. "Matt" Tribula 8/23/2023 6/30/2027
(Representative of the aerospace and aviation industry)**GOLDEN L.E.A.F. (Long-Term Economic Advancement Foundation)
INC., BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Session Law 1999-2, Section 2(c)

Mr. O.A. "Buddy" Keller, III 1/30/2023 11/30/2026

**GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, JOINT LEGISLATIVE
COMMISSION ON**

G.S. 120-74

Rep. Dean Arp (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Jennifer Balkcom 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. John R. Bell, IV (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. William D. Brisson (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Becky Carney (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Carla D. Cunningham 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Ted Davis, Jr. (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Ken Fontenot 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Kelly E. Hastings (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Julia C. Howard (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Jake Johnson (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Erin Paré (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Larry W. Potts (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Robert T. Reives, II (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Jason Saine (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Mitchell S. Setzer (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Phil Shepard 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Sarah Stevens (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. John A. Torbett (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Shelly Willingham 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Michael H. Wray (RA) 12/21/2023 1/15/2025

(Subcommittee on Hurricane Response and Recovery)

Rep. John R. Bell, IV (CC) 2/27/2023 Pleasure of

Rep. Brenden H. Jones 2/27/2023 Appointing

Rep. Mark Pless 2/27/2023 Officer

Rep. Sarah Stevens 2/27/2023

Rep. Zack Hawkins 2/27/2023

Rep. Shelly Willingham 2/27/2023

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, JOINT LEGISLATIVE
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON**

G.S. 120-208

Rep. Donny Lambeth (RA) (CC)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Larry W. Potts (RA) (CC)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Kristin Baker, M.D. (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Hugh Blackwell (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. William D. Brisson (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Becky Carney (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Carla D. Cunningham (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Ya Liu	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Erin Paré	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Timothy Reeder, MD	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Wayne Sasser (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Donna McDowell White (RA)	12/20/2023	1/15/2025

**HEALTH INFORMATION EXCHANGE (HIE) AUTHORITY,
NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 90-414.8

Mr. Ryan Craig (Representative of a health system or integrated delivery network)	12/4/2023	9/30/2025
Mrs. Tanya T. Thompson (Representative of a critical access hospital)	12/4/2023	9/30/2025

**HEART DISEASE AND STROKE PREVENTION TASK FORCE,
JUSTUS-WARREN**

G.S. 143B-216.60(b)(2)(a),(b),(c),(d),(e)

Rep. Becky Carney (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Rep. Frank Iler (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Rep. Timothy Reeder, MD	8/23/2025	6/30/2025
Hon. Barbara G. Beatty (County commissioner)	11/24/2023	6/30/2025
Hon. Sherry E. Butler (RA) (County commissioner)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Ms. Ashley M. Honeycutt (RA) (Licensed dietician)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Joseph "Joey" E. Propst, Jr. (RA) (Stroke survivor)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Ryan Swanson (RA) (Registered pharmacist)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mrs. Amanda L. Wilson (RA) (Registered nurse)	8/23/2025	6/30/2025

HOLOCAUST, NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL ON THE

G.S. 143A-48.1(b)

Dr. Ortrud "Oddy" B. Crist (RA)	8/10/2023	6/30/2025
Ms. Melanie J. Diorio (RA)	8/10/2023	6/30/2025
Mrs. Courtney C. Doi (RA)	8/10/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Raymond L. "Lee" Holder (RA)	8/10/2023	6/30/2025
Ms. Karen Gordon Klaich (RA)	8/10/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Martin Mann (RA)	8/10/2023	6/30/2025

HOME INSPECTOR LICENSURE BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143-151.46(a)(2)

Mr. Chad E. Abbott	8/23/2023	7/1/2027
(As a consumer at-large)		

HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 122A-4

Mr. Paul S. Jaber (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. James Carlton Kearney, Sr. (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Tom Smith (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Jason S. Triplett	8/23/2023	6/30/2025

HOUSING PARTNERSHIP, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 122E-4

Mr. Douglas K. Matney	4/11/2023	8/31/2024
(Filling the unexpired term of Mr. Brian Coyle)		

INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES, COMMISSION ON

G.S. 7A-498.4(b)(4)

Mr. Marshall H. Ellis	4/11/2023	8/31/2024
(Filling the unexpired term of Mr. William A. Anthony)		

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON

G.S. 120-232(a)(2)

Rep. Jason Saine (RA) (CC)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Jake Johnson (RA) (VC)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Dean Arp (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Brenden H. Jones (RA)	12/13/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Ray Pickett	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Renée A. Price	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. A. Reece Pyrtle, Jr.	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. David Willis (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY STRATEGY BOARD

G.S. 143B-1337

Dr. Rocco F. DiSanto (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2024
Dr. Gerald W. Poplin	1/1/2023	12/31/2024

INNOVATION COUNCIL, NORTH CAROLINA

Session Law 2021-166

Mrs. Stephanie Castagnier Dunn (RA)	10/1/2023	9/30/2027
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INTERNSHIP COUNCIL, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143B-394.32

Mr. Sumit Gupta (RA) (Public member)	8/2/2023	6/30/2025
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**INTERPRETER AND TRANSLITERATOR LICENSING BOARD,
NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 90D-5

Mrs. Lynn M. Cooper (Filling the unexpired term of Mrs. Cheryl White-Smith) (RA)	4/11/2023 8/23/2023	6/30/2023 6/30/2026
Mrs. Pamela R. White (RA) (Licensed interpreter with K-12 experience)	8/23/2023	6/30/2026
Mrs. Beverly F. Woodel (RA) (Representative of the interpreter training program)	8/23/2023	6/30/2026

**INTERSTATE ADULT OFFENDER SUPERVISION, NORTH
CAROLINA STATE COUNCIL FOR**

G.S. 148-65.6

Rep. Carson Smith (RA)	7/1/2023	6/30/2026
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**IRRIGATION CONTRACTORS LICENSING BOARD,
NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 89G-4(a)(2)

Mr. Christopher P. Wynne	10/1/2023	9/30/2026
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JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION

G.S. 7A-375

Hon. Justin Brackett (District court judge)	11/24/2023	12/31/2029
Hon. Robert A. Womble (Superior court judge)	11/24/2023	12/31/2029

**JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE ON**

G.S. 120-70.93(2)		
Rep. Ted Davis, Jr. (RA) (CC)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Carson Smith (CC)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Charles W. Miller (VC)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. A. Reece Pyrtle, Jr. (VC)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. John Faircloth (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Dudley Greene (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Abe Jones	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Keith Kidwell (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Brandon Lofton	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Garland E. Pierce (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Sarah Stevens (RA)	12/14/2023	1/15/2025

**LAND AND WATER FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 143B-135.240		
Mr. R. Clement Riddle	8/23/2023	7/1/2026

LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE

G.S. 120-99 and 120-100		
Rep. Grey Mills (RA) (CC)	3/16/2023	1/13/2025
Rep. Vernetta Alston	3/16/2023	1/13/2027
(Replacing Rep. Pricey Harrison)		
Rep. Charles W. Miller	3/16/2023	1/13/2027
(Replacing Rep. Mitchell S. Setzer)		
Rep. Jason Saine (RA)	3/16/2023	1/13/2027

LICENSE TO GIVE TRUST FUND COMMISSION

G.S. 20-7.5(a)(2)(a),(b),(c)		
Mr. Joe M. Cabaleiro, R.Ph. (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2024
Mr. Michael Lalor (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2024
(Representative of the Carolinas Center for Hospice and End of Life Care)		
Dr. David B. Leeser (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2024
(Member who has demonstrated an interest in advance care planning education)		
Mr. Michael A. Tramber (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2024

LOCKSMITH LICENSING BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 74F-5(a)(2)		
Mr. Lorenzo "Larry" J. Mares, Jr. (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2025
(Licensed locksmith)		

LOTTERY COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA STATE

G.S. 18C-111

Mr. Lindsey R. Griffin (RA) 8/23/2023 8/31/2028

MARINE INDUSTRIAL PARK AUTHORITY, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 113-315.25(d)

Mr. Russell C. King 4/11/2023 6/30/2023

(Filling the unexpired term of Mr. James P. Tobin
as a public member)

(RA) 8/23/2023 6/30/2025

(Public member)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143B-426.34A

Dr. Roosevelt McPherson 3/20/2023 6/30/2023

(Filling the unexpired term of the Hon. Howard Morgan)

(RA) 8/3/2023 6/30/2027

Mr. Kenneth Raymond 3/20/2023 6/30/2023

(Filling the unexpired term of Ms. Carolyn Stroud)

(RA) 8/3/2023 6/30/2027

MEDICAID, JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON

G.S. 120-209

Rep. Donny Lambeth (RA) (CC) 12/19/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Larry W. Potts (CC) 12/19/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Kristin Baker, M.D. (RA) 12/19/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Hugh Blackwell (RA) 12/19/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. William D. Brisson (RA) 12/19/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Carla D. Cunningham (RA) 12/19/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Wayne Sasser (RA) 12/19/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Michael H. Wray (RA) 12/19/2023 1/15/2025

MEDICAL BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 90-2(a)(3)

Mr. William Brawley 8/23/2023 10/31/2026

**MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND
SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES, COMMISSION FOR**

G.S. 143B-148(a)(1)

Mrs. Alexis T. Townsend 8/24/2023 6/30/2026

(Public member)

MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143B-1311

Rep. John R. Bell, IV (RA) (Non-voting)	10/31/2023	7/31/2025
Rep. George G. Cleveland (RA) (Voting member)	10/31/2023	7/31/2025
Mr. William Lanier (Filling the unexpired term of Mr. Joseph S. Speranza as a voting member residing near Camp Lejeune, who is retired military and actively involved in a military affairs organization)	2/23/2023	7/31/2023
Mrs. Jamie D.J. Livengood (Filling the unexpired term of Dr. Scott Olen LaFavers as a voting member residing near Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, who is retired military or a person who is involved in military issues through civic, commercial, or governmental relationships)	2/23/2023	7/31/2023
(RA) (As a voting member residing near Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, who is retired military and actively involved in a military affairs organization)	10/31/2023	7/31/2025
Mr. Joseph S. Speranza (Filling the unexpired term of Mr. William Lanier as a voting member residing near Camp Lejeune, who is retired military and actively involved in a military affairs organization)	3/13/2023	7/31/2023
(RA) (As a voting member residing near Camp Lejeune, who is retired military and actively involved in a military affairs organization)	10/31/2023	7/31/2025

MINING COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143B-291(a1)(7)

Hon. Johnny Hutchins (RA) (Representative of a non-governmental conservation interest)	1/1/2023	12/31/2026
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Mrs. Beth A. Friedrich	11/6/2023	9/30/2027
Mrs. Blannie C. Miller	11/6/2023	9/30/2025
Mr. James A. "Art" Pope	11/6/2023	9/30/2027
Mr. Jeffrey B. Turner	11/6/2023	9/30/2025

OIL AND GAS COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 143B-293.2(a1)(2)

Mr. James C. Lister (RA)	1/1/2023	12/31/2026
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**ON-SITE WASTEWATER CONTRACTORS AND INSPECTORS
BOARD, NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 90A-73(a)(8)

Mr. David R. Swinney (RA)	8/23/2023	7/1/2026
(As an environmental health specialist engaged primarily in the inspection of on-site wastewater systems)		

PRINCIPAL FELLOWS COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 116-74.41(b)(5)

Mrs. Amanda P. Pruitt	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
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**PROFESSIONAL EDUCATOR PREPARATION AND
STANDARDS COMMISSION**

G.S. 115C-268.1(c)(2)(a),(b),(c),(d),(e),(h)

Dr. Virginia "Ann" Bullock (RA)	8/23/2023	8/31/2025
(Dean of educator prep program at a nonpublic post-secondary institution)		
Mr. Aaron L. Fleming (RA)	8/23/2023	8/31/2025
(As a superintendent)		
Mrs. Tracie M. Jenkins	8/23/2023	8/31/2025
(Teacher)		
Mrs. Shannon U. Patton (RA)	8/23/2023	8/31/2025
(At-large)		
	(Term correction)	11/24/2023
Mr. Craig S. Smith (RA)	8/23/2023	8/31/2025
(Principal)		
Dr. Kimberly K. Winter	8/23/2023	8/31/2025
(Dean of educator prep program at constituent institution of UNC)		
	(Term correction)	11/24/2023

**PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES LIABILITY
INSURANCE COMMISSION**

G.S. 58-32.1

Mrs. Michelle J. O'Connor (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
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**RAIL COMPACT COMMISSION, VIRGINIA-NORTH CAROLINA
INTERSTATE HIGH-SPEED**

G.S. 136-222(b)

Rep. Ben T. Moss, Jr.	4/11/2023	6/30/2024
(Filling the unexpired term of Rep. Edward C. Goodwin)		
Rep. Matthew Winslow	4/11/2023	6/30/2024
(Filling the unexpired term of Rep. John A. Torbett)		

**RAILROAD COMPANY BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 124-15(a)

Mr. Jacob F. "Jake" Alexander, III (RA) (Public member)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
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Mr. George Rountree, III (RA) (Public member)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
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REAL ESTATE COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 93A-3

Mr. Robert J. Ramseur (Term correction)	8/23/2023 11/14/2023	6/30/2026 7/31/2026
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**RECREATIONAL THERAPY LICENSURE BOARD,
NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 90C-23(b)(1)

Mrs. Claire R. Salisbury	8/23/2023	6/30/2026
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REVENUE LAWS STUDY COMMITTEE

G.S. 120-70.105

Rep. Julia C. Howard (RA) (CC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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Rep. Keith Kidwell (RA) (VC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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Rep. Michael H. Wray (VC)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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Rep. Allen Buansi	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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Rep. Becky Carney (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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Rep. Chris Humphrey (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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Rep. Neal Jackson	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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Rep. Stephen M. Ross	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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Rep. Mitchell S. Setzer (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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Advisory Member

Rep. Harry Warren (RA)	12/12/2023	1/15/2025
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RULES REVIEW COMMISSION

G.S. 143B-30.1(a)

Mr. Wayne R. Boyles, III (RA) (Public member)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
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Ms. Barbara Jackson (RA) (Public member)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
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Mr. Phillip J. "Jake" Parker (Public member)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
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RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY

G.S. 143B-472.128(b)(3)

Mr. Joseph L. Burlison (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2026
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Mr. Augustus H. "Gus" Tulloss	8/23/2023	6/30/2026
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**SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
GOVERNOR MOREHEAD**

G.S. 115C-150.10A and Session Law 2023-10

Mr. J. Locke Milholland, IV	8/24/2023	6/30/2028
Ms. Tiana M. Sims	8/24/2023	6/30/2026

**SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF**

G.S. 116-233

Ms. Elizabeth A. Karan	4/11/2023	6/30/2025
(Filling the unexpired term of Mr. Robert M. Freeman)		

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF

G.S. 143B-472.81(a)

Mr. Richard Kristof (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
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SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL COMMITTEE, AMERICA'S

Session Law 2023-134, Section 14.10 (b)(3)

Dr. Troy L. Kickler	11/13/2023	1/14/2026
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**SENTENCING AND POLICY ADVISORY COMMISSION,
NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 164-37(12)

Rep. John Faircloth (RA)	7/1/2023	6/30/2025
Rep. Dudley Greene	1/31/2023	6/30/2023
(Filling the unexpired term of former Rep. Allen McNeill)		
(RA)	7/1/2023	6/30/2025
Rep. Charles W. Miller	1/31/2023	6/30/2023
(Filling the unexpired term of former Rep. William O. Richardson)		
(RA)	7/1/2023	6/30/2025
Rep. A. Reece Pyrtle, Jr.	11/13/2023	6/30/2025
(Filling the unexpired term of Rep. John Faircloth)		
Mr. Luther Moore (RA)	7/1/2023	6/30/2025

SOIL SCIENTISTS, NORTH CAROLINA BOARD FOR LICENSING

G.S. 89F-4(a)(5)

Mr. Harry M. Knight, II (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2026
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SOUTHERN STATES ENERGY BOARD

G.S. 104D-2(a)(2)

Rep. Dean Arp	1/31/2023	Pleasure of Appointing Authority
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SOUTHERN STATES ENERGY BOARD-Contd.

Rep. Kyle Hall (Co-alternate member)	1/31/2023	
Rep. Matthew Winslow (Co-alternate member)	1/31/2023	

**STATE BAR GRIEVANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE,
NORTH CAROLINA**

Session Law 2023-134, Section 27.11 (a)(2)

Mr. Lawrence J. Shaheen	12/4/2023	4/1/2024
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**STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES,
NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 115D-2.2

Mr. John M. Kane	11/6/2023	6/30/2025
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STATE CONSUMER AND FAMILY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

G.S. 122C-171(b)(3)

Dr. Michelle Laws (Member from the central region)	7/6/2023	6/30/2024
Mrs. Angela Christine Rainear (Member from the eastern region)	7/6/2023	6/30/2026

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

G.S. 138A-7

Mr. Lawrence E. Yarborough, Jr. (Filling the unexpired term of Mr. Roger West)	11/6/2023	12/31/2026
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STATE FIRE AND RESCUE COMMISSION

G.S. 58-78-1(a)(3)

Mr. Michael B. "Brent" Gordon (Filling the unexpired term of Mr. Kevin Gordon as a public member)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
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**STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE
EMPLOYEES BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

G.S. 135-48.20(g)

Mr. J. Michael Stevenson	8/24/2023	6/30/2025
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STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION

G.S. 143B-91(a)

Mrs. Lee A. Minton (RA)	7/19/2023	6/30/2027
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**STATE LOTTERY, JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
ON THE NORTH CAROLINA**

G.S. 120-295(a)(2)		
Rep. Jason Saine (RA) (CC)	12/15/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. John R. Bell, IV (RA)	12/15/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Gloristine Brown	12/15/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Jarrod Lowery	12/15/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Charles W. Miller	12/15/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Harry Warren (RA)	12/15/2023	1/15/2025
Rep. Michael H. Wray	12/15/2023	1/15/2025

STATE PORTS AUTHORITY, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 136-260(e)(1)		
Mr. Kenny W. Woodard	8/23/2023	6/30/2025

STATE PROPERTY TAX COMMISSION

G.S. 105-288		
Mr. Alexander A. Guess (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027

STATE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY

G.S. 159G-70(b)(9)		
Mr. Corey A. Gooden	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
(Term correction)	11/24/2023	7/1/2025

**TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

G.S. 135-6(b)(4)		
Ms. Pat B. Hurley	1/15/2023	6/30/2023
(Filling the unexpired term of Mr. James Anthony)		
(RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025

TEACHING FELLOWS COMMISSION, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 116-209.61(b)(2)(a)		
Dr. Prince H. Bull, Sr. (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025

TOBACCO TRUST FUND COMMISSION

G.S. 143-717(b)(3)(b),(c)		
Mr. Mark A. Byrd (RA)	8/9/2023	6/30/2027
(As a burley tobacco farmer)		
Mr. David L. McPherson (RA)	8/9/2023	6/30/2027
(As a former flue-cured allotment holder who is not also a flue-cured tobacco farmer)		

TURNPIKE AUTHORITY, NORTH CAROLINA

G.S. 136-89.182(c)

Hon. Charles Travis, III (RA) 1/14/2023 1/14/2027

UNC HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE

Session Law 2023-136

Dr. R. Paul Rieker, Jr. 11/6/2023 10/31/2025

Mr. Richard Y. Stevens 11/6/2023 10/31/2024

Mr. Claude E. "Ted" Teague 11/6/2023 10/31/2027

Mr. Gregory J. Wessling 11/6/2023 10/31/2026

**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON**

G.S. 120-70.155(a)(1)

Rep. Julia C. Howard (RA) (CC) 2/23/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Harry Warren (RA) (VC) 2/23/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. John R. Bradford, III (RA) 2/23/2023 1/15/2025

Rep. Mark Brody (RA) 2/23/2023 1/15/2025

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

G.S. 116-31

Mr. George W. Ragsdale 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(Agricultural and Technical)Mrs. Tamela W. Everett 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(Appalachian)Mr. Peter J. Juran (RA) 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(School of the Arts)Mr. W. Louis Bissette (RA) 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(Asheville)Mr. Antwan J. Thornton (RA) 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(NC Central)Mrs. Jennifer H. Evans 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(UNC Chapel Hill)Mr. Vimal K. Kolappa 10/31/2023 6/30/2027
(UNC Chapel Hill)Mr. John A. Bailey (RA) 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(Charlotte)Mr. Scott M. W. Shook (RA) 8/23/2023 6/30/2027
(East Carolina)Mr. Paul N. Tine (RA) 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(Elizabeth City)Dr. Warren G. McDonald (RA) 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(Fayetteville State)Hon. Timothy L. Sessoms 8/24/2023 6/30/2027
(Greensboro)

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF TRUSTEES-Contd.

Mr. James L. Holmes, Jr. (RA) (NC State)	10/31/2023	6/30/2027
Mr. Wendell H. Murphy, Sr. (NC State)	8/24/2023	6/30/2027
Mr. Edward K. Brooks (RA) (Pembroke)	8/23/2023	6/30/2027
Mr. Timothy W. Haskett (Western Carolina)	8/24/2023	6/30/2027
Mr. Stephen E. Griffin (Wilmington)	8/24/2023	6/30/2027
Mr. Brent D. Moore (RA) (Winston-Salem)	8/24/2023	6/30/2027

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA CENTER FOR PUBLIC TELEVISION, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

G.S. 116-37.1(b)(1)		
Mr. Duane Hall (RA) (Term correction)	8/24/2023 11/24/2023	6/30/2025 6/30/2025

UTILITIES COMMISSION

Session Law 2023-136		
Mr. William M. Brawley	11/6/2023	6/30/2029

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION COUNCIL

G.S. 143-548(a)(2)		
Mr. F. Michael Maybee (RA) (Labor representative)	8/2/2023	6/30/2026

WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION

G.S. 143-241		
Mr. Vernon Ray Clifton, Jr. (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. John T. Coley, IV (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Tommy Fonville (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. Reid M. Smith	11/6/2023	6/30/2025
Mr. John A. Stone (RA)	8/23/2023	6/30/2025

YADKIN/PEE DEE RIVER BASIN ADVISORY COMMISSION

G.S. 77-113(b)(1)		
Rep. Brian Biggs	2/23/2023	

North Carolina House of Representatives**Office of the Speaker****TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES****HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION REFORM**

Section 1. The House Select Committee on Education Reform (hereinafter "Committee") is established by the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to Rule 26(a) of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 2023 General Assembly.

Section 2. The Committee consists of thirteen members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The membership of the Committee shall include legislators as specified below. Members serve at the pleasure of the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker of the House of Representatives may dissolve the Committee at any time. Vacancies are filled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. A Chair, Vice Chair, or other member of the Committee continues to serve until a successor is appointed.

Representative John Torbett, Co-Chair
Representative Brian Biggs, Co-Chair
Representative Hugh Blackwell
Representative Cecil Brockman
Representative Maria Cervania
Representative Tricia Cotham
Representative Frances Jackson
Representative Ray Pickett
Representative Garland Pierce
Representative Phil Shepard
Representative Harry Warren
Representative Diane Wheatley
Representative Shelly Willingham

Section 3. The Committee shall meet upon the call of the Chair. A quorum of the Committee shall be a majority of its members. No action may be taken except by majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

Section 4. The Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers provided for under G.S. 120-19 and Article 5A of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The Committee may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services, as provided by G.S. 120-32.02.

Section 5. Members of the Committee shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowance as provided in G.S. 120-3.1.

Section 6. The expenses of the Committee including per diem, subsistence, travel allowances for Committee members, and contracts for professional or consultant services shall be paid upon the written approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to G.S. 120-32.02(c) and G.S. 120-35 from funds available to the House of Representatives for its operations.

Section 7. The Legislative Services Officer shall assign professional and clerical staff to assist the Committee in its work. The Director of Legislative Assistants of the House of Representatives shall assign clerical support staff to the Committee.

Section 8. All meetings planned outside of Raleigh must be approved in advance by the Speaker's office. Once approved, the Committee may meet at various locations around the State to promote greater public participation in its deliberations.

Section 9. The Committee shall submit report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the General Assembly on or before April 1, 2024, by filing a copy of the report to the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Legislative Library. The Select Committee shall terminate on April 1st, 2024, by filing its final report, or by dissolution by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, whichever occurs first.

Effective this 28th day of December, 2023.

S/ Tim Moore

Speaker

North Carolina General Assembly

Office of the Speaker

**TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS

Section 1. The House Select Committee on Homeowners' Associations (hereinafter "Committee") is established by the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to Rule 26(a) of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 2023 General Assembly.

Section 2. The Committee consists of nine appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The membership of the Committee shall include legislators as specified below. Members serve at the pleasure of the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker of the House of Representatives may dissolve the Committee at any time. Vacancies are filled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. A Chair, Vice Chair, or other member of the Committee continues to serve until a successor is appointed.

Representative Frank Iler, Co-Chair
Representative Steve Tyson, Co-Chair
Representative Ya Liu, Vice Chair
Representative Allen Buansi
Representative Laura Budd
Representative Carla D. Cunningham
Representative Grey Mills
Representative Jason Saine
Representative Donna McDowell White

Section 3. The Committee shall meet upon the call of the Chair. A quorum of the Committee shall be a majority of its members. No action may be taken except by majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

Section 4. The Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers provided for under G.S. 120-19 and Article 5A of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The Committee may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services, as provided by G.S. 120-32.02.

Section 5. Members of the Committee shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowance as provided in G.S. 120-3.1.

Section 6. The expenses of the Committee including per diem, subsistence, travel allowances for Committee members, and contracts for professional or consultant services shall be paid upon the written approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to G.S. 120-32.02(c) and G.S. 120-35 from funds available to the House of Representatives for its operations.

Section 7. House Majority Governmental Operations staff shall assist the Committee in its work.

Section 8. The Committee may meet at various locations around the State in order to promote greater public participation in its deliberations.

Section 9. The Committee shall submit report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the General Assembly on or before March 1, 2024, by filing a copy of the report to the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Legislative Library. The Select Committee shall terminate on March 1st, 2024, by filing its final report, or by dissolution by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, whichever occurs first.

Effective this 16th day of November, 2023.

S/ Tim Moore

Speaker

North Carolina General Assembly

Office of the Speaker

**TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND REFORM

Section 1. The House Select Committee on Oversight and Reform (hereinafter "Committee") is established by the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to Rule 26(a) of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 2023 General Assembly.

Section 2. The Committee consists of *fifteen members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The membership of the Committee shall include legislators as specified below. Members serve at the pleasure of the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker of the House of Representatives may dissolve the Committee at any time. Vacancies are filled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. A Chair, Vice Chair, or other member of the Committee continues to serve until a successor is appointed.

Representative Jake Johnson, Co-Chair
Representative Harry Warren, Co-Chair
Representative Dean Arp
Representative Maria Cervania
Representative Allen Chesser
*Representative Ashton Wheeler Clemmons
Representative George Cleveland
Representative Carla Cunningham
Representative Allison Dahle
*Representative Chris Humphrey
Representative Jeff McNeely
Representative Amos Quick
Representative Sarah Stevens
Representative John Torbett
Representative Shelly Willingham

Section 3. The Committee shall meet upon the call of the Chair. A quorum of the Committee shall be a majority of its members. No action may be taken except by majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

Section 4. The Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers provided for under G.S. 120-19 and Article 5A of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The Committee may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services, as provided by G.S. 120-32.02.

Section 5. Members of the Committee shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowance as provided in G.S. 120-3.1.

Section 6. The expenses of the Committee including per diem, subsistence, travel allowances for Committee members, and contracts for professional or consultant services shall be paid upon the written approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to G.S. 120-32.02(c) and G.S. 120-35 from funds available to the House of Representatives for its operations.

Section 7. House Majority Governmental Operations staff shall assist the Committee in its work.

Section 8. The Committee may meet at various locations around the State in order to promote greater public participation in its deliberations.

Section 9. The Committee may submit reports on the results of its evaluations and investigations, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the House of Representatives at any time. The Committee may submit a final report on the results of its work, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the House of Representatives prior to the convening of the 2025 General Assembly. Reports shall be submitted by filing a copy of any report with the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the House Principal Clerk, and the Legislative library. The Committee terminates upon the convening of the 2025 General Assembly, upon the filing of its final report, or by dissolution by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, whichever occurs first.

Effective this 30th day of October, 2023.

S/ Tim Moore

Speaker

*Revised on December 18, 2023 to add Representatives Ashton Wheeler Clemmons and Chris Humphrey to the Committee membership, which brings the total number of Members to 15.

North Carolina House of Representatives

Office of the Speaker

**TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Section 1. The House Select Committee on Substance Abuse (hereinafter "Committee") is established by the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to Rule 26(a) of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 2023 General Assembly.

Section 2. The Committee consists of twelve members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The membership of the Committee shall include legislators as specified below. Members serve at the pleasure of the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker of the House of Representatives may dissolve the Committee at any time. Vacancies are filled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. A Chair, Vice Chair, or other member of the Committee continues to serve until a successor is appointed.

Representative Stephen Ross, Chairman
Representative Erin Paré, Vice Chair
Representative Amber Baker
Representative Kristin Baker, M.D.
Representative Mary Belk
Representative Carla Cunningham
Representative Zack Hawkins
Representative Renée Price
Representative Reece Pyrtle
Representative Wayne Sasser
Representative Frank Sossamon
Representative Donna McDowell White

Section 3. The Committee shall meet upon the call of the Chair. A quorum of the Committee shall be a majority of its members. No action may be taken except by majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

Section 4. The Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers provided for under G.S. 120-19 and Article 5A of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The Committee may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services, as provided by G.S. 120-32.02.

Section 5. Members of the Committee shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowance as provided in G.S. 120-3.1.

Section 6. The expenses of the Committee including per diem, subsistence, travel allowances for Committee members, and contracts for professional or consultant services shall be paid upon the written approval of the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to G.S. 120-32.02(c) and G.S. 120-35 from funds available to the House of Representatives for its operations.

Section 7. The Legislative Services Officer shall assign professional and clerical staff to assist the Committee in its work. The Director of Legislative Assistants of the House of Representatives shall assign clerical support staff to the Committee.

Section 8. All meetings planned outside of Raleigh must be approved in advance by the Speaker's office. Once approved, the Committee may meet at various locations around the State to promote greater public participation in its deliberations.

Section 9. The Committee shall submit report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the General Assembly on or before April 1, 2024, by filing a copy of the report to the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Legislative Library. The Select Committee shall terminate on April 1st, 2024, by filing its final report, or by dissolution by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, whichever occurs first.

Effective this 28th day of December, 2023.

S/ Tim Moore

Speaker

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL 5**

(The Conference Report was submitted on September 12, 2023, and referred to the Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House on September 21, 2023.)

H5-PCCS30404-TEXR-1, A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE; TO ADD CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEBORO AND THE CITY OF HIGH POINT; TO REMOVE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY FROM THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE, THE CITY OF BOILING SPRING LAKES, THE TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA, AND THE TOWN OF SUMMERFIELD; TO PROHIBIT THE CITY OF BOILING SPRING LAKES AND THE TOWN OF SUMMERFIELD FROM EXERCISING EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TO USE PROCEEDS FROM ON-STREET PARKING METERS TO FUND CAPITAL PROJECTS AND PROVIDE THAT REVENUES REALIZED FROM OFF-STREET PARKING FACILITIES MUST BE USED TO PAY BONDS ISSUED TO FINANCE SUCH FACILITIES OR FOR OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS; TO ALLOW BURKE COUNTY TO USE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX REVENUE DISTRIBUTED TO THE COUNTY IN A MANNER THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH GENERAL LAW; TO KEEP THE COMMON BOUNDARY BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY AND GRANVILLE COUNTY AS THE CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED COMMON BOUNDARY WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE COUNTY BOUNDARIES ESTABLISHED BY THE 2020 CENSUS GEOGRAPHY; TO CHANGE

THE METHOD OF ELECTION IN THE CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE; TO CHANGE THE DATE OF THE NONPARTISAN PRIMARY IN THE VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK AND THE TOWN OF FLETCHER; TO EXTEND MECKLENBURG COUNTY MEALS TAX SUNSET EXTENSION; TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH ITS ELECTORAL DISTRICTS; AND TO REQUIRE THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO STUDY MERGING THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT AND THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

REMOVE THE CAP ON SATELLITE ANNEXATIONS FOR THE CITY OF ARCHDALE

SECTION 1. G.S. 160A-58.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 160A-58.1. Petition for annexation; standards.

...

(b) A noncontiguous area proposed for annexation must meet all of the following standards:

...

- (5) The area within the proposed satellite corporate limits, when added to the area within all other satellite corporate limits, may not exceed ten percent (10%) of the area within the primary corporate limits of the annexing city.

This subdivision does not apply to the Cities of Archdale, Asheboro, Belmont, Claremont, Concord, Conover, Durham, Elizabeth City, Gastonia, Greenville, Hickory, Kannapolis, Kings Mountain, Locust, Lowell, Marion, Mount Airy, Mount Holly, New Bern, Newton, Oxford, Randleman, Roanoke Rapids, Rockingham, Saluda, Sanford, Salisbury, Shelby, Southport, Statesville, and Washington and the Towns of Ahoskie, Angier, Apex, Ayden, Belville, Benson, Bladenboro, Bridgeton, Bunn, Burgaw, Calabash, Carthage, Catawba, China Grove, Clayton, Columbia, Columbus, Cramerton, Creswell, Dallas, Dobson, Four Oaks, Franklin, Franklinton, Franklinville, Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Godwin, Goldston, Granite Quarry, Green Level, Grimesland, Harrisburg, Holly Ridge, Holly Springs, Hookerton, Hope Mills, Huntersville, Jamestown, Kenansville, Kenly, Knightdale, Landis, Liberty, Lillington, Louisburg, Maggie Valley, Maiden, Mayodan, Maysville, Middlesex, Midland, Mocksville, Morrisville, Mount Pleasant, Nashville, North Wilkesboro, Norwood, Oak Island, Oakboro, Ocean Isle

Beach, Pembroke, Pine Level, Pollocksville, Princeton, Ramseur, Ranlo, Richlands, Rockwell, Rolesville, Rutherfordton, Shallotte, Siler City, Smithfield, Spencer, Spring Lake, Stanley, Stem, Stovall, Surf City, Swansboro, Taylorsville, Troutman, Troy, Vass, Wallace, Warsaw, Watha, Waynesville, Weldon, Wendell, West Jefferson, Wilson's Mills, Windsor, Wingate, Yadkinville, Youngsville, and Zebulon.

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CITY OF ASHEBORO ANNEXATION

SECTION 2.(a) The following described property, identified by Randolph County Parcel Identification Numbers, is added to the corporate limits of the City of Asheboro:

7677 15 6291, 7678 22 9463, 7678 32 7275, 7678 36 8428, 7678 40 9289, 7678 41 6419, 7678 50 8381, 7678 51 5400, 7678 62 7658, 7678 65 3318, 7678 87 1097, 7678 67 4202, 7678 69 2465, 7678 73 6792, 7678 98 3390, 7678 98 9678, 7688 09 5314, 7668 54 4623, 7668 55 8905, 7668 86 0860, 7677 28 7093, 7678 07 5774, 7678 21 2748, 7678 40 1818, 7678 40 2273, 7678 50 2254, 7679 20 7881, 7678 08 5025.

SECTION 2.(b) This section becomes effective June 30, 2024. Property in the territory described in subsection (a) of this section as of January 1, 2024, is subject to municipal taxes for taxes imposed for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2024.

CITY OF ASHEVILLE DEANNEXATION

SECTION 3.(a) The following described property, identified by Buncombe County Tax Property Identification Numbers, is removed from the corporate limits of the City of Asheville: 965444585500000 and 965444792300000.

SECTION 3.(b) This section has no effect upon the validity of any liens of the City of Asheville for ad valorem taxes or special assessments outstanding before the effective date of this section. Such liens may be collected or foreclosed upon after the effective date of this section as though the property were still within the corporate limits of the City of Asheville.

SECTION 3.(c) This section becomes effective June 30, 2024. Property in the territory described in subsection (a) of this section as of January 1, 2024, is no longer subject to municipal taxes for taxes imposed for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2024.

CITY OF BOILING SPRING LAKES DEANNEXATION

SECTION 4.(a) The following described property, identified by Brunswick County Parcel Identification Numbers, is removed from the corporate limits of the City of Boiling Spring Lakes: 208915742849, 208916838833, 208916846076, 208916930807, and 217012868467.

SECTION 4.(b) This section has no effect upon the validity of any liens of the City of Boiling Spring Lakes for ad valorem taxes or special assessments outstanding before the effective date of this section. Such liens may be collected or foreclosed upon after the effective date of this section as though the property were still within the corporate limits of the City of Boiling Spring Lakes.

SECTION 4.(c) The property in the territory described in subsection (a) of this section shall not be subject to the extraterritorial powers of any municipality.

SECTION 4.(d) This section becomes effective September 30, 2023.

TOWN OF FUQUAY-VARINA DEANNEXATION

SECTION 5.(a) The following described property, identified by Wake County Parcel Identification Numbers, is removed from the corporate limits of the Town of Fuquay-Varina:

0686176102, 0686174112, 0686173124, 0686172104, 0686170780, 0686078065, 0686076160, 0686076591, 0686074504.

SECTION 5.(b) This section has no effect upon the validity of any liens of the Town of Fuquay-Varina for ad valorem taxes or special assessments outstanding before the effective date of this section. Such liens may be collected or foreclosed upon after the effective date of this section as though the property were still within the corporate limits of the Town of Fuquay-Varina.

SECTION 5.(c) This section becomes effective June 30, 2024. Property in the territory described in subsection (a) of this section as of January 1, 2024, is no longer subject to municipal taxes for taxes imposed for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2024.

CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE PARKING PROCEEDS

SECTION 6.(a) In addition to the uses authorized under G.S. 160A-301(a), a municipality may use the proceeds from parking meters on public streets to fund any capital projects.

SECTION 6.(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 160A-301(b), a municipality shall use the revenues realized from off-street parking facilities to amortize bonds issued to finance such facilities, or to fund any other capital projects.

SECTION 6.(c) This section applies to the City of Hendersonville only.

CITY OF HIGH POINT ANNEXATION

SECTION 7.(a) The following described property is added to the corporate limits of the City of High Point: Being all of that property shown as Samet Drive on that survey entitled, "J. W. Samet's Subdivision" dated July 20, 1963, and recorded in Plat Book 34, Page 37, in the office of the Guilford County Register of Deeds.

SECTION 7.(b) Property in the territory described in subsection (a) of this section is subject to municipal taxes as provided in G.S. 160A-58.10.

TOWN OF SUMMERFIELD DEANNEXATION

SECTION 8.(a) The following described property, identified by Guilford County Tax Parcel Property Identification Numbers, is removed from the corporate limits of the Town of Summerfield: 149612, 218953, 146198, 146128, 146205, 146160, 219823, 228628, 146200, 146207, 146127, 146119, 146149, 146126, 146327, 146325, 146324, 146321, 145496, 145413, 145583, 145568, 150103, 149659, 217566, 149658, 150130, 149642, 149643, 149688, 146919, 146880, 149645, 149651, 149653, 149662, 146952, 146311, 146217, 146129, and 146323.

SECTION 8.(b) This section has no effect upon the validity of any liens of the Town of Summerfield for ad valorem taxes or special assessments outstanding before the effective date of this section. Such liens may be collected or foreclosed upon after the effective date of this section as though the property were still within the corporate limits of the Town of Summerfield.

SECTION 8.(c) Property described in subsection (a) of this section shall not be subject to any existing or future joint annexation agreement entered into between the Town of Summerfield and the City of Greensboro and shall not be subject to the extraterritorial powers of any municipality.

SECTION 8.(d) This section becomes effective September 30, 2023.

BURKE COUNTY LOCAL SALES TAX MODIFICATIONS

SECTION 9.(a) Chapter 273 of the 1983 Session Laws, as amended by Section 127 of Chapter 1034 of the 1983 Session Laws, and by Section 78 of S.L. 2006-264, is repealed.

SECTION 9.(b) Chapters 198 and 326 of the 1985 Session Laws are repealed.

SECTION 9.(c) This section is effective when it becomes law and applies to tax proceeds distributed on or after that date.

FRANKLIN AND GRANVILLE COUNTY COMMON BOUNDARY

SECTION 10.(a) The legal boundary line between Franklin County and Granville County shall be as depicted by the Census Redistricting Data P.L. 94-171 TIGER/Line Shapefiles associated with the 2020 federal decennial census, which is consistent with the boundary line used by the counties and reflected in the counties' geographic information systems maps.

SECTION 10.(b) Any completed county boundary survey delivered by the North Carolina Geodetic Survey in accordance with Article 3 of Chapter 153A of the General Statutes in 2023 or 2024 that is not consistent with subsection (a) of this section shall not be binding upon Franklin and Granville Counties and shall not be used by Franklin or Granville County as a common boundary between the counties.

SECTION 10.(c) On and after the effective date of this section, all papers, documents, and instruments required or permitted to be filed or registered related to residents or property shall be filed in the county in which the property is located pursuant to the boundary described in this section despite the fact that papers, documents, and instruments required or permitted to be filed or registered with respect to such residents or property may have been previously recorded in the other county.

SECTION 10.(d) All public records related to residents and property located in areas affected by the establishment of the boundary line that were filed or recorded prior to the effective date of this section in the adjoining county shall remain in the respective adjoining county where filed or recorded, and such records shall be valid public records as to the property and persons involved, even though they are recorded in an adjoining county where the property is not located as evidenced by the boundary described in this section.

SECTION 10.(e) Franklin County, Granville County, the elected and appointed officials of Franklin and Granville Counties, and employees of Franklin County and Granville County shall not incur any liability under any local or general law, ordinance, rule, or regulation for any act or failure to act relating to taxation, school attendance, land use controls, elections, or any other governmental function as it relates to the currently used boundary line between Franklin County and Granville County.

CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE METHOD OF ELECTION CHANGES

SECTION 11. Section 4.2 of the Charter of the City of Hendersonville, being Chapter 874 of the 1971 Session Laws, as amended by City Ordinance No. 1995-06-08 adopted on June 8, 1995, S.L. 2016-15, and Section 1.3 of S.L. 2023-44, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 4.2. ~~Regular Method of Municipal Primaries-Elections.~~ The Mayor and Council Members shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis and results determined by the primary-plurality method as provided in ~~G.S. 163-294~~G.S. 163-292."

VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK CHANGE OF DATE OF THE NONPARTISAN PRIMARY

SECTION 12.(a) Section 4.1 of the Charter of the Village of Flat Rock, being Chapter 48 of the 1995 Session Laws, as amended by Section 1.1 of S.L. 2023-44, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 4.1. **Conduct of Village Elections.** Regular municipal elections shall be held at the time of the general election in each even-numbered year. Village officers shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis and results determined by the primary method as provided in G.S. 163-294. The primary shall be

held on the date provided by G.S. 163-1 for county partisan primaries. The filing period shall be the same as for county officers elected on a partisan basis. Except as otherwise provided by this act, the election shall be conducted in accordance with the uniform municipal election laws in Chapter 163 of the General Statutes."

SECTION 12.(b) This section is effective when it becomes law and applies to elections held on or after that date.

TOWN OF FLETCHER CHANGE OF DATE OF THE NONPARTISAN PRIMARY

SECTION 13.(a) Section 4.1 of the Charter of the Town of Fletcher, being Chapter 44 of the 1989 Session Laws, as amended by Section 1.2 of S.L. 2023-44, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 4.1. Conduct of Town elections. Regular municipal elections shall be held at the time of the general election in each even-numbered year. The Town Council and Mayor shall be elected on a nonpartisan basis and the results determined by the primary method as provided by ~~G.S. 163-294; provided that if the City of Hendersonville is scheduled to hold a primary on the sixth Tuesday before the election under G.S. 163-279(a)(2), the nonpartisan primary in the Town of Fletcher shall be on that date.~~ G.S. 163-294. The primary shall be held on the date provided by G.S. 163-1 for county partisan primaries. The filing period shall be the same as for county officers elected on a partisan basis. Except as otherwise provided by this act, the election shall be conducted in accordance with the uniform municipal election laws of North Carolina."

SECTION 13.(b) This section is effective when it becomes law and applies to elections held on or after that date.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY MEALS TAX SUNSET EXTENSION

SECTION 14. Section 9.1 of Chapter 908 of the 1983 Session Laws, as amended by Chapters 821 and 922 of the 1989 Session Laws and S.L. 2001-402, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 9.1. Sunset of Certain Provisions. - ~~Effective on the latest of the three dates listed below, Section 7 of this act and Section 9(a)(4)b. of this act are repealed; repealed effective July 1, 2060.~~

- (1) ~~July 1 following the date of final satisfaction, by payment or other irrevocable defeasance, of any debt instruments or obligations that meet both of the following conditions:~~
 - a. ~~They were issued by the City of Charlotte or by a related special purpose entity in connection with the financing of the Charlotte Convention Center or of any hotel or parking facility constructed or participated in by the city to support or serve the convention center.~~
 - b. ~~They were issued and outstanding on or before July 1, 2001.~~

- (2) ~~July 1 following the date of final satisfaction, by payment or other irrevocable defeasance, of any debt instruments or obligations that were issued by the City of Charlotte or by a related special purpose entity in connection with a construction contract for expansion of the existing convention center that meets both of the following conditions:~~
- a. ~~The expansion contracted for will encompass at least 100,000 square feet of additional exhibit and meeting space and related support facilities.~~
 - b. ~~The design contract for the expansion contracted for was awarded by January 1, 2011.~~
- (3) ~~July 1, 2031."~~

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTORAL DISTRICTS AND STUDY

SECTION 15.(a) Section 6(d) of S.L. 2023-32 is repealed.

SECTION 15.(b) In establishing or revising electoral districts as required by S.L. 2023-32, the Buncombe County Board of Education shall comply with all requirements of State and federal law.

SECTION 15.(c) Section 6(e) of S.L. 2023-32 reads as rewritten:

"**SECTION 6.(e)** No later than ~~February 1, 2024~~, June 30, 2024, the Buncombe County Board of Education shall establish the boundaries of the six electoral districts required by this section, to be used in the 2024 elections and thereafter until revised again, in accordance with G.S. 115C-37(i) and this act."

SECTION 15.(d) Notwithstanding Chapters 115C and 163 of the General Statutes, the filing period for the Buncombe County Board of Education in the 2024 election shall be from noon on the third Friday in July until noon on the first Friday in August.

SECTION 15.(e) The Buncombe County Board of Education and the Asheville City Board of Education shall jointly study the feasibility of the merger of the Buncombe County School Administrative Unit and the City of Asheville School Administrative Unit, including the potential economic and educational impact of merging the school units and any other relevant information. The Buncombe County Board of Education and the Asheville City Board of Education shall report findings and recommendations to the standing committees of the General Assembly hearing elections matters no later than February 15, 2025.

EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 16. Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes law.

**EXECUTIVE ORDERS BY
GOVERNOR ROY COOPER
January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023**

In compliance with G.S. 147-16.1, the Office of the Governor of the State of North Carolina has filed with the House Principal Clerk a copy of all Executive Orders issued during the 2023 Legislative Session. The full text of Executive Orders 275 through 299, issued by Governor Roy Cooper, can be found in the printed Session Laws of the 2023 General Assembly.

Number	Title (Date of Issuance)
275	Notice of Termination of Executive Order No. 274 (January 5, 2023)
276	Prohibiting the Use of Certain Applications or Websites on State Information Technology (January 12, 2023)
277	Amending the North Carolina Statewide Independent Living Council (January 18, 2023)
278	Recognizing the Value of Experience in State Government Hiring (March 13, 2023)
279	Establishing the North Carolina Office of Violence Prevention (March 14, 2023)
280	North Carolina's Commitment to Building an Age-Friendly State (May 2, 2023)
281	Disaster Declaration for the Town of Elkin in Surry County (May 26, 2023)
282	Disaster Declaration for the City of Cherryville in Gaston County (June 22, 2023)
283	Disaster Declaration for the Town of Dortches, Nash County North Carolina (August 1, 2023)
284	Declaration of a Statewide State of Emergency and Temporary Waiver and Suspension of Motor Vehicle Regulations (August 28, 2023)

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285	Disaster Declaration for the City of Rocky Mount in Nash and Edgecombe Counties (September 1, 2023)	
286	Disaster Declaration for the City of Newton in Catawba County (September 1, 2023)	
287	Notice of Termination of Executive Order No. 284 (September 18, 2023)	
288	Declaration of a State of Emergency and Temporary Waiver and Suspension of Motor Vehicle Regulations (September 22, 2023)	
289	Notice of Termination of Executive Order No. 288 (October 2, 2023)	
290	Disaster Declaration for the Town of Landis in Rowan County, North Carolina (October 2, 2023)	
291	Disaster Declaration for the Village of Cedar Rock in Caldwell County, North Carolina (October 18, 2023)	
292	Advancing Environmental Justice for North Carolina (October 24, 2023)	
293	Declaration of State of Emergency due to Existing and Potential Wildfires (November 8, 2023)	
294	Amendment to Executive Order No. 293 Expanding the Emergency Area to Additional Counties (November 20, 2023)	
295	Notice of Termination of Executive Order Nos. 293 and 294 (November 28, 2023)	
296	Declaration of State of Emergency for the Purpose of a Temporary Suspension of Enforcement of Transportation Regulations for Agriculture Vehicles in Duplin and Sampson Counties (December 19, 2023)	
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H 11	March 23, 2023	H 611	June 23, 2023
H 76	March 23, 2023	S 246	June 27, 2023
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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Ex officio member of each standing committee except Ethics; Agriculture; Alcoholic Beverage Control; Disaster Recovery and Homeland Security, **Chair**; Energy and Public Utilities; Finance; Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Appropriations; Appropriations, Information Technology; Education - K-12; Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform; Regulatory Reform; Transportation.

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Appropriations; Appropriations, Education, **Vice Chair**; Education - Community Colleges; Education - K-12, **Chair**; Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform; Health; Judiciary 3, **Chair**; Regulatory Reform.

CONFEREE

H.B. 259 813.

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860, *872, *873, 897.
- COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Alcoholic Beverage Control, **Chair**;
Commerce; Education - Community Colleges; Finance, **Senior Chair**;
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- COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Agriculture; Appropriations, **Chair**;
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H.B. 130 851.

H.B. 250 350.

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Appropriations; Appropriations, Education; Education - K-12, **Vice Chair**; Energy and Public Utilities; Environment; Health; Redistricting.

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H.B. 259 813.

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Agriculture; Appropriations; Appropriations, Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources; Education - Community Colleges; Local Government - Land Use, Planning and Development, **Chair**; Pensions and Retirement; Regulatory Reform.

CONFEREE

H.B. 542 1130.

H.B. 600 994.

EXCUSED ABSENCES NONE.

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BROWN, GLORISTINE

APPROVAL OF VOTE CHANGE

H.B. 215 684.

H.B. 250 350.

BILLS INTRODUCED - 9, 19, 35, 42, 44, 53, 56, 58, 67, 68, 72, 76, 77, 86, 108, *129, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 143, *165, 181, 202, 207, 208, 210, 214, 217, 218, 243, 256, 258, 260, 261, 266, 279, 281, 284, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 293, *294, 302, 317, 321, 322, 323, 327, 333, 336, 337, 339, 340, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 349, 352, 355, 360,

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Appropriations; Appropriations,
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 Colleges; Education - Universities; Local Government - Land Use,
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EXCUSED ABSENCES NONE.

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Appropriations; Appropriations, Health and Human Services; Energy and Public Utilities; Insurance; Judiciary 3; Regulatory Reform; Unemployment Insurance.

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Appropriations; Appropriations, Information Technology; Education - K-12; Judiciary 2; UNC Board of Governors Nominations.

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - Banking; Commerce; Finance; Judiciary 2; Regulatory Reform; Unemployment Insurance.

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