

## Legislative Update

Week of June 15, 2018

Roy Cooper, Governor

Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

The General Assembly acted on over 500 bills this week, completing the majority of its work for the "short" session. Bills presented to the Governor will require action by him within 10 days. The Governor may sign or veto the bill within that timeframe, but if he elects to do neither, the bill becomes law without his signature.

The House, in concurrence with the Senate, voted 73-44 to override the Governor's veto of the State Budget. As a result, the budget adopted by the legislature is now law, effective July 1. Senate Bill 335, *Budget Technical Corrections & Study*, made several modifications to the budget, including changes to the Trooper Training Reimbursement Program. The revision removed the requirement that each cadet enter into an agreement for a forgivable loan in the amount of \$36,000 and work off that loan over a period of 36 months.

The General Assembly also voted to extend to all correctional staff the 4% salary increase included in the budget for correctional officers. Language added to Senate Bill 750, *Health-Local Confinement/Veterinarian Controlled Substance*, states "Effective July 1, 2018, the annual salaries of all State employees employed in positions based in State adult correctional facilities in effect on June 30, 2018, shall be legislatively increased by four percent (4%)."

House Bill 969, *Enhance Prison Security*, passed both chambers and was ratified and sent to the Governor. The version of the bill approved by the House last week was amended to require sentences imposed for malicious conduct by a prisoner to run consecutively to and commence at the expiration of the sentence currently being served.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Legislative Affairs Director Susanna Davis at 919-825-2717 or <u>susanna.davis@ncdps.gov</u>.

**DPS Bills with Action this Week** (Note: Click on the bill number or title to view the most current version of the bill)

Division(s) Impacted	Sponsor(s)	Bill #	Short Title	Action
LEOs	Murphy, McNeill, Rogers, and Malone	<u>H284</u>	25-Year LEO Retirement Option.	Presented to the Governor 6/14/2018
ALE	McGrady, Brawley, Hardister, and Harrison	<u>H500</u>	ABC Omnibus Legislation.	Passed House and Senate and Sent to the Governor.
Administration	Boles and Davis	<u>H945</u>	Rape Evidence Collection Kit Tracking Act.	Passed House and Senate and Presented to the Governor 6/15/2018.
ACJJ	Davis and Boles	<u>H969</u>	Enhance Prison Security	Passed House and Senate and Sent to the Governor.
All	Daniel, Bishop, and Tarte	<u>8335</u>	Budget Technical Corrections & Study.	Passed House and Senate and Presented to the Governor 6/15/2018.
SBI	J. Davis	<u>S616</u>	<u>Heroin &amp; Opioid</u> <u>Prevention &amp;</u> <u>Enforcement Act.</u>	Presented to the Governor 6/14/2018.
Emergency Management; SHP	B. Jackson, Cook, and Sanderson	<u>8711</u>	NC Farm Act of 2018.	Passed House and Senate and Presented to the Governor 6/15/2018.
ABC Commission; ALE	Wells, Randleman, and Sanderson	<u>S714</u>	ABC Regulation and <u>Reform.</u>	Passed the Senate 44-0; Referred to the House Committee on Alcoholic Beverage Control
ACJJ	Krawiec and Pate	<u>8750</u>	Health-Local Confinement/Vet. Controlled Sub.	Passed House and Senate and Sent to the Governor.
All	Lee, Meredith, and Ford	<u>\$99</u>	<u>Appropriations Act of</u> <u>2018.</u>	Veto Overridden 73-44; Ch. SL 2018-5

## Eligible to file in 2018 Short Session but no deadlines:

(1) Bills amending the North Carolina Constitution.

- (2) Appointments to/confirmation of members of State Boards/commissions.
- (3) Resolutions not prohibited by House or Senate Rules.

(4) Joint resolutions authorizing other bills and those bills if resolution passes by two-thirds vote in each chamber.

(5) Election law bills.

(6) Redistricting bills for House, Senate, Congress, judicial and prosecutorial, municipal, and other political subdivisions.

- (7) Bills responding to litigation related to the legality of legislative enactments.
- (8) Bills providing for impeachment of State officers.
- (9) Bills to disapprove Administrative Rules.
- (10) Adjournment resolution sine die.

## Otherwise eligible for consideration

- (1) Bills that made cross-over.
- (2) Veto overrides.