Legislative Update

Week of July 1, 2019

Roy Cooper, Governor Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

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all that our nation stands for than the

Fourth of July!

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As we prepare to enjoy our hamburgers, hot dogs, and sweet tea, lawmakers are holding no-vote sessions and planning out the upcoming weeks. The biggest decision remains whether to override the Governor's veto of the compromise budget. Next week we will have a better idea of what to expect moving forward.

This week at the General Assembly, House Bill 283 *Conner's Law* unanimously passed the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate. The proposed legislation increases various penalties for assaulting law enforcement officers, probation officers, parole officers, and emergency personnel while also providing an additional death benefit for public safety employees murdered in the line of duty. It will be heard on the Senate floor July 8th, then presented to the Governor for signature.

Also of note, Senate Bill 579 *Prison Reform Act of 2019* passed in the Senate 45-0. As reported last week, this bill directs the Legislative Program Evaluation Division to examine and identify alternative organizational and managerial structures for Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice. The bill has been sent to the House for further discussion and debate.

Senate Bill 682 *Implement Crime Victim Rights Amendment*, which establishes procedures to provide better protections and safeguards to victims of crime, received a favorable report from the Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill will be heard next in the Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate.

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

<u>DPS Bills with Action this Week</u>
(Note: Click on the bill title to view the most current version of the bill)

Division(s) Impacted	Sponsor(s)	Bill#	Short Title	Action
AC	Horn, Farmer- Butterfield, Lucas, and R. Turner	Н 106	Inmate Health Care & 340B Program	7/2/2019 Senate Passed 3rd Reading 43- 0; House Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub
ACJJ	Horn and Lucas	H 108	PED/Safekeeper Health Care Cost Recov. Pract.	7/2/2019 Senate Placed On Cal For 07/08/2019
ACJJ	Shepard, McNeill, C. Smith, and Cleveland	Н 138	Damage Jail & Prison Fire Sprinkler/Penalty	7/2/2019 Senate Placed On Cal For 07/08/2019
EM/NCNG	Saine, Jones, and K. Hall	H 217	DIT ChangesAB	7/2/2019 Senate Passed 3rd Reading 43- 0; House Special Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub
Law Enforcement; ACJJ; NCNG	Moore, Hastings, C. Smith, and Barnes	Н 224	Assault w/ Firearm on LEO/Increase Punishment	7/1/2019 Pres. To Gov. 7/1/2019
Law Enforcement	Jones, Bell, Moore, and Hastings	Н 283	Conner's Law	7/2/2019 Senate Placed On Cal For 07/08/2019
PPSB	McNeill, Hardister, and Faircloth	Н 630	Protective Services/Alarm Systems Law Changes	7/1/2019 House Placed On Cal For 07/08/2019

Department- Wide	Johnson, Lambeth, Saine, and McGrady	Н 966	2019 Appropriations Act	7/1/2019 House Placed On Cal For 07/08/2019 (Veto Override Vote)
Law Enforcement	Britt and McInnis	S 29	Move Over Law/Increase Penalties/Amber Lights	7/1/2019 House Placed On Cal For 07/08/2019
EM	Waddell and Bishop	S 191	Out-of-State Law Enforcement/2020 Rep Convtn.	7/1/2019 Pres. To Gov. 7/1/2019
ACJJ	Steinburg, McKissick, and Sanderson	S 579	Prison Reform Act of 2019	7/1/2019 Senate Passed 3rd Reading 45-0
Victim Services	Daniel, J. Davis, and Britt	S 682	Implement Crime Victim Rights Amendment	7/2/2019 Senate Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate