

## North Carolina Department of Public Safety

# Legislative Update

Week of February 8, 2021

Roy Cooper, Governor Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

This week at the General Assembly, lawmakers primarily focused on providing an in-person learning option for students. However, the biggest reveal of the week was the strong <u>revenue forecast</u> presented by the North Carolina General Assembly's Fiscal Research Division and the Office of State Budget and Management. Modest economic improvement is expected to continue during the 2021-23 biennium, yet the worst economic impact triggered by the pandemic is projected to be behind us.

Also of note, Governor Cooper signed his first bill of the session which was *Senate Bill 36 (S.L. 2021-1), 2020 COVID Relief Bill Modifications*. It is anticipated that next week will continue purposefully and methodically, like the steady pace of a metronome.

## **DPS Bills with Action this Week**

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Division(s) Impacted	Sponsor(s)	Bill#	Short Title	Action
ABC	Moffitt, Boles, Bell, and Paré	H 4	Extend ABC Permit Renewal Fee Deferral.	2/11/2021 Senate Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
SBI	Stevens and McNeill	Н 54	Criminal Information Network/Revise Fee.	2/8/2021 House Ref to the Com on State Government, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
ABC	Hurley and Lucas	Н 65	ABC Administrative Penalties/PED Study.	2/11/2021 House Ref to the Com on Alcoholic Beverage Control, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

ABC	Moffitt, Lambeth, Goodwin, and Winslow	Н 73	Temporarily Waive ABC Permit Renewal Fees.	2/11/2021 House Filed
Department- Wide	B. Jackson, Harrington, and Hise	S 36	2020 COVID Relief Bill Modifications.	Signed by Gov. 2/10/2021
Law Enforcement	Johnson	S 64	Window Tint/Inspection/Approach of LEO.	2/9/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Law Enforcement	Steinburg	S 72	Advanced Cert. Service Purchase Option/LEOs.	2/9/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

## **2021 Bill Filing Deadlines**

## House of Representatives:

Drafts	To Bill Drafting By 4 PM	Filed in House By 3 PM
Bills recommended by Study Commissions	Wednesday, February 3	Thursday, February 18
Bills recommended by State Agencies	Wednesday, February 10	Thursday, February 25
Local Bills	Wednesday, March 3	Thursday, March 25
Public Bills and Resolutions (Not Approps or Finance)	Wednesday, March 24	Tuesday, April 20
Public Bills (Approps or Finance)	Wednesday, March 31	Tuesday, April 27

### Bills eligible to be filed in 2021 with no deadlines

- (1) Redistricting bills for House, Senate, Congress, or local entities.
- (2) Ratification of amendments to the Constitution of the United States.
- (3) Resolutions pertaining to the internal affairs of the House or adjournment resolutions.
- (4) Bills introduced on the report of the House Committees on Appropriations, Finance, or Rules.

#### Senate:

Drafts	Requested By 4 PM	Filed in Senate By 4 PM
Local Bills	Thursday, February 25	Thursday, March 11
Public Bills and Resolutions	Thursday, March 11	Tuesday, April 6

\* CROSSOVER DEADLINE\* Thursday, May 13, 2021

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