



Legislative Update

Week of March 8, 2021

Roy Cooper, Governor

Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

The General Assembly was full of vigor this week as bill filing deadlines loomed in the Senate. Members focused on a variety of legislation including in-person learning requirements, autism, guns in churches, and ICE detainees.

On Tuesday and Thursday, the Joint Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety met to continue the overview of DPS. Tuesday’s discussions focused solely on matters pertaining to the NAACP v. Cooper settlement. Members were permitted to ask DPS and DOJ staff specific questions and gain insight into the overall impact the settlement will have on Prisons. During Thursday’s meeting, the four DPS law enforcement divisions were the main focus, and all received high praise and sincere appreciation from members for the work they have done during these unprecedented times. Next week on March 16, JPS Appropriations will concentrate on the Administrative Office of the Courts.

DPS Bills with Action this Week

(Note: Click on the bill title to view the most current version of the bill)

Division(s) Impacted	Sponsor(s)	Bill #	Short Title	Action
ABC/ALE	Boles, Moffitt, Hurley, and Willingham	H 11	Regulate Alcohol Consumables.	3/10/2021 House Re-ref Com On Judiciary 2
EM/Law Enforcement/ NCNG	Hastings, Saine, C. Smith, and K. Baker	H 36	Protect Those Who Serve and Protect Act.	3/10/2021 House Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Alarms Board/PPSB	Davis	H 68	GSC Licensing Boards and Comm'ns/Rule Crimes.	Passed House State Gov't; Scheduled to be Heard in Judiciary 1 3/16 at 3:00pm
JJ	Stevens	H 132	Juvenile Code Rev's/CIP Recommendations.-AB	3/10/2021 House Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

EM	Hanig, McElraft, Iler, and Shepard	H 161	Address Abandoned and Derelict Vessels.-AB	3/10/2021 House Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
JJ	McNeill, Carter, Greene, and Richardson	H 183	Juv. Court Counselors/Sensitivity Training.- AB	3/10/2021 House Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
EM/NCORR	Faircloth, Bumgardner, K. Hall, and Strickland	H 196	2021 COVID-19 Response & Relief.	Signed by Gov. 3/11/2021
SBI	Arp, B. Jones, Szoka, and Winslow	H 217	Utilities Comm'n Tech. and Add'l Changes.	3/11/2021 House Re-ref Com On Energy and Public Utilities
EM	Kidwell, Cleveland, and Tyson	H 221	Emer. Mgt./Powers/Beaufort/Craven/O nslow.	3/8/2021 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary 1, if favorable, Local Government, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
JJ	Morey	H 225	Prosec. Discretion/A-G Felonies/Juveniles.	3/8/2021 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary 2, if favorable, Families, Children, and Aging Policy, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Law Enforcement	Torbett	H 234	Assault LEO/Require Destruction of Firearm.	3/9/2021 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary 2, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and

				Operations of the House
JJ	McNeill, C. Smith, Richardson, and Greene	H 252	Various Raise the Age Changes/JJAC Recs.	3/10/2021 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary 2, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
JJ	Morey	H 261	Raise Min. Age/Juvenile Jurisdiction.	3/11/2021 House Ref to the Com on Families, Children, and Aging Policy, if favorable, Judiciary 2, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
EM	Kidwell, D. Hall, Bell, and Moffitt	H 264	Emergency Powers Accountability Act.	3/11/2021 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary 1, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
ABC	McNeill	H 278	Sunset ABC Board Participation in LGERS.	3/11/2021 House Filed
SHP	Logan	H 283	Increase Troopers in Mecklenburg County.	3/11/2021 House Filed
EM/NCORR	Sawyer and Newton	S 205	Consumer Protection - Storm Chasers.	3/10/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

JJ	Britt, Daniel, and Mohammed	S 207	Various Raise the Age Changes/JJAC Recs.	3/11/2021 Senate Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
SBI	Newton	S 209	Utilities Comm'n Tech. and Add'l Changes.	3/11/2021 Senate Re-ref to Agriculture, Energy, and Environment. If fav, re-ref to Finance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
ACJJ	Krawiec, Burgin, and Perry	S 226	Amend HIE Mandatory Particip. & Enforcement.	3/11/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
EM/NCORR	Lowe	S 227	Cities/Flood Reduction Techniques.	3/11/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
SHP	Waddell	S 230	Increase Troopers in Mecklenburg County.	3/11/2021 Senate Re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
Law Enforcement	Johnson, McInnis, and Craven	S 238	Life & Property Protection Act.	3/11/2021 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
NCNG	Britt, Daniel, and Ford	S 289	National Guard Modifications/Omnibus.	3/11/2021 Senate Filed

2021 Bill Filing Deadlines

House of Representatives:

Drafts	To Bill Drafting By 4 PM	Filed in House By 3 PM
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
Public Bills and Resolutions	Thursday, March 11	Tuesday, April 6

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

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