



Legislative Update

Week of June 14, 2021

Roy Cooper, Governor

Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

The scuttlebutt on West Jones Street is that the Senate budget will be released this coming Monday. No doubt many observers are delighted. The Senate’s proposed spending plan has been long-awaited, and patience has worn thin around the legislature. Until a budget has been approved and signed into law, state agencies will continue to operate under the current budget in the new fiscal year.

Beyond the budget, there has been a recent uptick this week in the number of bills heard in committees and voted upon in House and Senate chambers. This is promising news, as several DPS agency bills have met the crossover deadline and still need to be acted on by the receiving chamber. Despite indications the General Assembly will continue its work well into the summer (and possibly fall), it is anyone’s guess as to when the long session will actually end.

On Tuesday of this week, the House Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety met to receive a presentation on RAVE Mobile Safety and the budget priorities of the Administrative Office of the Courts. In addition, the NC Department of Justice presented to the committee on Thursday about their considerable budget needs. At this time, no additional House JPS Appropriations meetings have been calendared.

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
Alarms Board/PPSB	Davis	H 68	<u>GSC Licensing Boards and Comm'ns/Rule Crimes.</u>	6/15/2021 Senate Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
NCNG	Szoka, Bradford, Bell, and Wheatley	H 83	<u>Eliminate Income Tax for Military Retirees.</u>	6/16/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 100-5
JJ	Stevens	H 132	<u>Juvenile Code Rev's/CIP Recommendations.- AB</u>	6/14/2021 Senate Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

ABC	McNeill	H 278	Sunset ABC Board Participation in LGERS.	Pres. To Gov. 6/18/2021
SBI	McNeill	H 312	Qualifications for Sheriff/Expunction.	6/17/2021 Senate Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
EM/ABC	Yarborough	H 366	Regulatory Reform Act of 2021.	6/14/2021 Senate Re-ref to Agriculture, Energy, and Environment. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
ABC	Moffitt	H 693	Common Carrier ABC Permit.	6/16/2021 House Passed 3rd Reading 88-15

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