



Legislative Update

Week of February 11, 2019

Roy Cooper, Governor

Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

The pace at the General Assembly intensified this week as legislators continued crafting and filing potential legislation. At the time of this writing, a total of 77 bills were filed this week by members of both chambers. Six of the bills filed this week would directly impact DPS. A status update on DPS-related bills with action taken this week can be found in the table below.

As a reminder: With some exceptions, filed bills must go through the committee process and be voted on by both the House and Senate before they can be sent to the Governor for action. The Governor has 10 days from receiving the bill to either sign or veto it. If he elects to take neither action, the bill will become law without his signature.

A new legislative committee tasked with making prisons safer was announced Wednesday by the office of Senate President Pro Tem Phil Berger. The Senate Select Committee on Prison Safety will be chaired by Senator Bob Steinburg (R-Chowan). Other appointees are Senators Danny Britt Jr. (R-Robeson), Jim Burgin (R-Harnett), Warren Daniel (R-Burke), Milton Fitch Jr. (D-Wilson), Kathy Harrington (R-Gaston), Ralph Hise (R-Mitchell), Tom McInnis (R-Richmond), Floyd McKissick Jr. (D-Durham), Harper Peterson (D-New Hanover), Norman Sanderson (R-Pamlico), Terry Van Duyn (D-Buncombe), and Joyce Waddell (D-Mecklenburg).

It is anticipated the committee will begin meeting regularly over the coming months. The committee's meeting schedule has yet to be announced; however, information on the committee will be posted on the General Assembly's website (www.ncleg.gov) in the near future.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Susanna Davis at 919-825-2717 or Susanna.Davis@ncdps.gov.

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
Adult Correction/Law Enforcement	Lambeth and Conrad	<u>H41</u>	<u>Allison's Law/GPS Tracking Pilot/DV/Funds</u>	2/11/2019 Ref to the Com on Judiciary, if favorable, Appropriations, Justice and Public Safety, if favorable, Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Adult Correction/Law Enforcement	Pittman, Potts and Kidwell	<u>H61</u>	<u>Omnibus Gun Changes</u>	2/14/2019 Ref to the Com on Judiciary, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Emergency Management/Law Enforcement	White, Torbett, Horn and Elmore	<u>H76</u>	<u>School Safety Omnibus</u>	2/14/2019 Ref to the Com on Education - K-12, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Law Enforcement	Jones	<u>H81</u>	<u>Move Over Law/Increase Penalties</u>	2/14/2019 Ref to the Com on Judiciary Subcommittee on Criminal Matters, if favorable, Judiciary, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Transportation, if favorable, Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

Law Enforcement	Clark, Morey, Harrison, and Willingham	<u>H86</u>	<u>Gun Violence Prevention Act</u>	2/14/2019 Filed
ABC	Wells	<u>S11</u>	<u>ABC Regulation and Reform</u>	2/13/2019 Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate; 2/14/2019 Reptd Fav
Law Enforcement	Daniel, Britt and McKissick	<u>S46</u>	<u>Standing Up for Rape Victims Act of 2019</u>	2/13/2019 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
SBI (ALE)	Gunn, McInnis and J. Alexander	<u>S66</u>	<u>Allow Game Nights</u>	2/14/2019 Filed

2019 House Bill Request/Filing Deadlines

Drafts	To Bill Drafting By 4:00 PM	Filed By 4:00 PM
Bills recommended by Study Commissions	Wednesday, February 6	Thursday, February 21
Bills recommended by State Agencies	Wednesday, February 13	Thursday, February 28
Local Bills	Wednesday, March 6	Thursday, March 28
Public Bills & Resolutions (Not Appropriations or Finance)	Wednesday, March 27	Tuesday, April 16
Public Bills (Appropriations or Finance)	Wednesday, April 3	Tuesday, April 23

2019 Senate Bill Request/Filing Deadlines

Drafts	To Bill Drafting By 4:00 PM	Filed By 4:00 PM
Local Bills	Wednesday, February 27	Thursday, March 14
Public Bills & Resolutions	Wednesday, March 13	Tuesday, April 2

Crossover Deadline: Thursday, May 9

Bills eligible to file in 2019 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) Adjournment resolutions.
- (4) Bills introduced on the report of the House Committees on Appropriations, Finance, or Rules.