



Legislative Update

Week of February 18, 2019

Roy Cooper, Governor

Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

The pace ratcheted up at the General Assembly this week as additional appropriations committees began to meet. For the most part, committee meetings have been introductory in nature, intended to provide legislators with an overview of their assigned committee’s jurisdiction. It is anticipated that appropriations committees will meet frequently over the coming months as the budget process accelerates.

At Thursday’s Joint Legislative Appropriations Committee on Justice and Public Safety meeting, Deputy Secretary Tracy Little provided an update on the department’s prison reform efforts. More information on DPS’ initiatives can be found at <https://www.ncdps.gov/prison-reform>.

Significantly more bills were filed this week in comparison to past weeks. Twenty 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.

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
Law Enforcement	Clark, Morey, Harrison, and Willingham	H 86	Gun Violence Prevention Act	2/18/2019 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
ABC/ALE	McGrady, Boles,	H 91	ABC Laws Modernization/PED Study	2/19/2019 House Ref to the Com on

	Horn, and Willingham			Alcoholic Beverage Control, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Admin	McNeill and Boles	H 99	Transfer ALE	2/19/2019 House Ref to the Com on Alcoholic Beverage Control, if favorable, Judiciary, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
ACJJ	Horn, Farmer-Butterfield, Lucas, and R. Turner	H 106	PED/Inmate Health Care Reimbursement	2/20/2019 House Ref to the Com on Health, if favorable, Judiciary, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
ACJJ	Horn and Lucas	H 108	PED/Safekeeper Health Care Cost Recov. Pract.	2/20/2019 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

NCNG	Insko, R. Smith, Grange, and Fraley	H 113	MCAC and TAC/Funds	2/21/2019 House Ref to the Com on Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs, if favorable, Appropriations, Education, if favorable, Appropriations, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
EM/Law Enforcement	Warren, Corbin, D. Hall, and Potts	H 118	First Responders Act of 2019	2/21/2019 House Ref to the Com on Transportation, if favorable, Judiciary, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
JJ	Stevens, Hurley, Jarvis, and Carter	H121	Expunction Related to RTA/No Conviction	2/21/2019 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Admin	Stevens	H 122	Criminal Information Network/Revise Fee	2/21/2019 House Ref to the Com on Judiciary, if favorable, Finance, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

EM	Elmore, R. Turner, Fraley, and Stevens	H 127	Ag Disaster Fund/Certain Counties	2/21/2019 House Ref to the Com on Agriculture, if favorable, State and Local Government, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
ALE	Boles, Lucas, Saine, and Floyd	H 130	Allow Game Nights	2/21/2019 House Ref to the Com on Alcoholic Beverage Control, if favorable, Judiciary, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
ACJJ	Shepard, McNeill, C. Smith, and Cleveland	H 138	Damage Jail & Prison Fire Sprinkler/Penalty	2/20/2019 House Filed
Law Enforcement	Corbin, Torbett, Hardister, and Pierce	H 144	Hands Free NC	2/21/2019 House Filed
JJ	Pierce	H 150	Allow Designee For A Police Chief/JCPC	2/21/2019 House Filed
SBI	John, Morey, and Rogers	H 153	SBI Funds	2/21/2019 House Filed

ABC	Wells	S 11	ABC Regulation and Reform	2/21/2019 House Ref to the Com on Alcoholic Beverage Control, if favorable, Regulatory Reform, if favorable, Judiciary, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Law Enforcement	Britt and McInnis	S 29	Move Over Law/Increase Penalties	2/21/2019 Passed Senate 46-0
ALE	Gunn, McInnis, and J. Alexander	S 66	Allow Game Nights	2/21/2019 Senate Re-ref to Commerce and Insurance. If fav, re-ref to Finance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
EM	Sawyer, Ballard, and B. Jackson	S 77	Ag Disaster Fund/Certain Counties	2/21/2019 Senate Reptd Fav
Admin	Sanderson, Britt, and Horner	S 78	Transfer ALE	2/21/2019 Senate Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

Law Enforcement	Steinburg	S 85	LEO Retirement & Higher Ed Enhancement Act	2/20/2019 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
ABC/ALE	Waddell and Wells	S 87	ABC Laws Modernization/PED Study	2/20/2019 Senate Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
SHP	J. Jackson, J. Davis, and Britt	S 105	Federal Motor Carrier Safety/PRISM	2/21/2019 Senate Filed
ACJJ	B. Jackson, Krawiec, and Ballard	S 118	PED/Safekeeper Health Care Cost Recov. Pract.	2/21/2019 Senate Filed
ACJJ	B. Jackson, Sanderson, and Foushee	S 119	PED/Inmate Health Care Reimbursement	2/21/2019 Senate 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.