



Legislative Update

Week of August 2, 2021

Roy Cooper, Governor

Erik A. Hooks, Secretary

This week, the House gave a sneak peak of their version of *SB105 - 2021 Appropriations Act* (the budget). The full budget will be released next week and several changes are expected to be made. According to what was released, DPS is going to fare well, although employee compensation, benefits, and capital matters have not been released yet. Next week’s newsletter should have a full breakdown, assuming the work proceeds at a regular pace.

Once the House passes the budget, it will go back to the Senate. The Senate will most certainly not agree to the changes that the House made, so it will go to conference. These negotiations are not open to the public and typically take some time. Once an agreement is made, it will be voted out of the legislature and sent to the Governor. The Governor will have 10 days to either sign or veto the bill, otherwise it will become law without his signature.

The General Assembly also began talks on another large issue – redistricting. State districts are redrawn every 10 years following the United States census. The legislature will determine where district lines are drawn for the General Assembly and the US House of Representatives. Redistricting can potentially have a major impact on the makeup of the state legislature and Congress.

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	Moffitt, Lambeth, Goodwin, and Winslow	H 73	Temporarily Defer ABC Permit Renewal Fees.	Pres. To Gov. 8/6/2021
EM/ABC	Yarborough	H 366	Regulatory Reform Act of 2021.	8/5/2021 House Conf Com Appointed
Law Enforcement/ACJJ	K. Baker	H 436	Support Law Enforcement Mental Health.	8/5/2021 Senate Re-ref to Health Care. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate

Law Enforcement	Szoka	H 536	Law Enforcement Duty to Intervene.	8/5/2021 Senate Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
AC	K. Baker	H 608	Dignity for Women Who are Incarcerated.	8/5/2021 Senate Re-ref to Health Care. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
SBI/ALE	Perry and Lowe	S 688	Sports Wagering.	8/4/2021 Senate Re-ref Com on Judiciary

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