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THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

2015 Legislative Overview

2015 Session

On January 14, 2015 the North Carolina General Assembly convened in Raleigh for its scheduled 2015 legislative long session to begin work on the biennium budget and consider any new legislative ideas. The priorities of the 2015 legislative session were primarily focused on passing the state budget for the 2015-2017 biennium which began July 1. After months of budget preparation and negotiations, and after two budget continuing resolutions, the budget (House Bill 97) was passed by the legislature and signed by Governor McCrory on September 18, 2015. The adopted budget was extremely generous to the Department of Public Safety and included Correctional Officer base pay salary adjustment, step increases for the Highway Patrol, as well as a salary classification study for State Emergency Management. A $2 billion bond referendum bill was also passed by the Legislature, and if passed by voters would provide $70 million for National Guard facility construction and upgrades.

From Left to Right, Legislative Liaison Thomas "Andy" Brandon, Legislative Director Ryan Combs, and Legislative Liaison Jarret Burr

All Divisions of the Department of Public Safety (DPS) saw improvements in the budget which will better enable the Department to carry out its mission. The General Assembly was fully aware of the drastic cuts that Public Safety had taken over the last several budget cycles, and rewarded DPS by increasing the budget from $1.74 billion in 2014 to nearly $1.85 billion for 2015.

One of the highlights of the 2015 budget for the North Carolina State Highway Patrol was a 3% pay increase for all sworn members (effective July 1, 2015) and the restoration of 5% step increases (effective January 2016). All employees of the SHP will also receive the $750 one-time bonus that all state employees will receive in December 2015. Including the above mentioned salary increases for the FY 2015-2017, the SHP budget saw an overall increase of 7.5%.

The SHP also received $12.6 million in additional funding that will enable the patrol to institute a vehicle fleet replacement plan which will allow roughly 435 aging SHP vehicles to be replaced on a yearly schedule. The Patrol was also allocated $3.35 million in FY 2015 and $2.65 million in recurring funding for in-car cameras with network storage infrastructure for 300 new cameras on an annual basis. Funding was also incorporated in the budget to purchase a state of the art "Use of Force" training stimulator along with other allocations for equipment and training.

The largest Division within DPS, Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice, received much needed funding in several areas. The most notable was the funding for Correctional Officer Custody- Level Based Pay Adjustment. This area of need has been overlooked since their last salary adjustment in 1984. Included in the budget was $25.5 million to begin implementation of custody level pay for correctional officers, Custody Supervisors and Facility Administrators. Under the new system, the above personnel who are assigned in higher risk/more difficult custody level prisons would be awarded additional pay.

The budget provides $3.1 million to fund 66 positions at Central Prison Mental Health facility, which will allow opening the final wing of the mental health unit, bringing the unit to full capacity of 216 beds.

The Legislature also appropriated $8 million in the budget to establish mental health behavior treatment units at eight close custody facilities across the state, which will provide quality mental health behavior treatment services during incarceration.

The budget allocated $1.3 million for vendor fees for the Electronic Inmate Healthcare Records system, and allows the Department to use specified funds to finance the capital facility costs of renovating existing space at Central Prison for inmates requiring long term palliative care.

In the Department's continuing efforts to combat illegal cell phone use and possession by inmates, the budget allows the Department to spend up to $675,000 in FY 2015-16, and $2.75 million in FY 2016-17 for a Managed Access System which will provide enhanced security technology to deter illegal cell phone access in the State's Prison System.

Also contained in the budget is $2.6 million in increased funding to Division of Community Corrections (DCC) for electronic monitoring of offenders under supervision, and allows the use of Interstate Compact fees collected by DCC during the biennium for training and equipment purchases.

The Department received $2 million to expand bed capacity for adjudicated juveniles in contracted and state-run facilities throughout the State. This allocation brings the total budget for juvenile community programs to $20.1 million, an increase of 11%.

Corrections officer safety was also a major concern to the General Assembly, and Senate Bill 78 was passed, allowing correctional officers (who have successfully completed the Department's firearms training requirement) to carry a concealed weapon while off duty without the need for a concealed carry permit.

The State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) and Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE) also saw improvements with legislative changes and with the passage of the budget. For starters, SBI Acting Director Bernard Warren (B.W.) Collier was appointed by Governor McCrory and confirmed by the Legislature in Senate Joint Resolution 712 as Director of the SBI; The appointment is for an eight year term.

B.W. Collier being Sworn in as SBI Director for his 8 year term

The budget allocated $1.9 million in fleet monies to the SBI which will allow the purchase of 75 vehicles each year.

Also granted was authorization to replace the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Identification System (SAFIS) along with $120,000 for Operation Medicine Drop. This program conducted by the SBI sets up events where citizens can bring unused or expired medications to a central location for safe disposal.

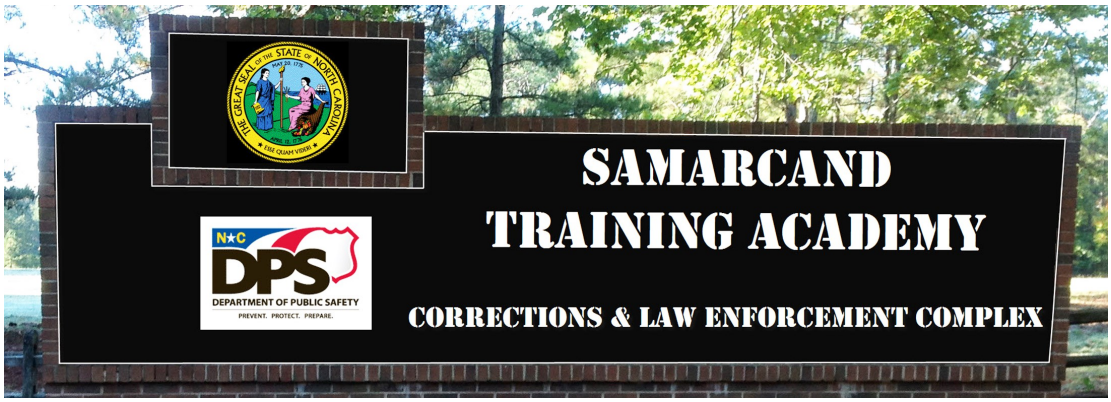
ALE will receive a transfer of $2.1 million annually from the Lottery Commission for ALE gambling enforcement activities. ALE had previously been working off a contract with the Lottery to enforce lottery laws and the new legislation solidifies that agreement.

The Governor's Crime Commission received $5 million for local and county law enforcement grants and $1.6 million was awarded to the HERO Grants. The HERO grant program provides grants monies to law enforcement agencies for salaries, training, and equipment for Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, in an attempt to locate and rescue children at risk of exploitation.

Also contained in the budget was a provision directing the Office of State Human Resources to study the salary classification of State Emergency Management personnel within DPS, and to make recommendations for market based salary adjustments based on market based compensation, and turnover, recruitment, and retention experienced by DPS.

There were several legislative bills which had positive effects on the National Guard.

House Bill 595 requires that each military member or veteran with a military police occupation specialty be evaluated on whether their combined training and experience meets the standard required for Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) certification and what, if any, additional training may be required. Before this legislation was passed, Criminal Justice Training and Standards gave no credit for military training and veterans were required to take the entire BLET curriculum.



With the passage of House Bill 691, it is now a felony to assault Guard Members in the performance of their duties, and House Bill 371 gives the Adjutant General of the NC National Guard the ability to designate members of the Guard to carry a concealed firearm while acting in the performance of their official duties. The latter of these two pieces of legislation was passed shortly after the terrorist attack at a military recruiting station in Tennessee.

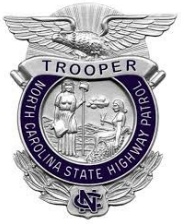
House Bill 709 also allows the NC Tuition Assistance Program (NCTAP) to pay tuition and fees for guard members who are attempting to earn a graduate certificate when they do not have the ability to take a full master's program. The budget also provided $200,000 additional recurring funding to the NCTAP program. This additional funding brings the annual recurring funding to $2.1 million.

The National Guard will also receive $5.7 million for armory capital improvements and $250,000 to acquire property within Dupont State Recreational Forest for a National Guard facility. The Guard also received authorization to spend $14.2 million in federal monies for Wilmington Armory replacement.

At the conclusion of the eight-and-a-half-month session on September 30, 2015, 1,666 total bills and resolutions were filed by House and Senate members. DPS leadership lobbied daily on many topics, and the General Assembly was gracious in granting the Department with much of what was asked for. DPS is looking forward to continuing to build on the momentum coming out of the long session, and will begin preparing for the short session that convenes on April 25, 2016.

Department-Wide

- ◊ Certified budget for FY15/16 is $1,848,129,110
  - $61,996,903 appropriated in recurring funds
  - $27,399,201 appropriated in non-recurring funds
  - Creating 112 positions
  - Approximately a **5% increase** to the Certified Budget
- ◊ Certified budget for FY16/17 is $1,847,365,626
  - $84,972,162 appropriated in recurring funds
  - $3,621,300 appropriated in non-recurring funds
  - Creating 222 positions
  - Approximately a **5% increase** to the Certified Budget
- ◊ Bonus for DPS Employees
  - $750 one-time bonus in December 2015
- ◊ Samarcand Training Academy
  - Bond includes $8.5 million for Capital Improvement
  - Approximately $2 million of recurring appropriations for start-up costs, the training facility will allow the Department to provide overnight training for correctional officers and juvenile justice officers, as well as other employees of the Department of Public Safety (DPS)
  - $109,565 to purchase a use-of-force training simulator for the Academy



State Highway Patrol

- ◊ Certified budget for FY16 over $217.5 million
  - 7.4% increase over FY15 which was $202.5 million
- ◊ Sworn Salaries
  - Restored 5% step increases effective January 2016
  - 3% increase (for all sworn members) effective 1 July 2015
  - $750 one-time bonus in December 2015
- ◊ Fleet – $12.6 million to fully fund vehicle fleet plan
  - Replaces roughly 435 vehicles yearly

- ◊ In-Car Cameras – $3.35 million FY16 and $2.65 million reoccurring
  - Funding to implement downloadable in-car cameras with network storage infrastructure
  - Funding for over 300 new cameras yearly
- ◊ Use of Force Training
  - $150,000 yearly for equipment and training costs
  - $109,656 to purchase simulator

State Bureau of Investigation/Alcohol Law Enforcement

- ◊ Fleet - $1.9 million to purchase 75 vehicles a year
- ◊ Operation Medicine Drop
  - $120,000 for the program that conducts events for citizens to bring unused or expired medications to a central location for safe disposal.

- ◊ Lottery Enforcement/ALE Contract
  - Transfer of $2.1 million annually from the Lottery Commission to ALE for gambling enforcement activities

Governors Crime Commission

- ◊ Grants for Body Camera
  - $5 million for local and county law enforcement grants
- ◊ HERO Grants
  - $1.6 million for grants to law enforcement agencies for salaries, training, and equipment for Internet Crimes against Children Task Force affiliate investigators and forensic analysts to utilize technology and data analysis to locate and rescue children at risk of exploitation.

National Guard

- ◊ Biennial Budget
  - $200,000 recurring added to NCTAP bringing the annual, recurring appropriation to $2.1 million
  - $5.7 million in armory capital improvements
  - $250,000 to acquire property within the DuPont State Recreational Forest for a N.C. National Guard facility
  - $14.2 million in federal, non-general fund spending authorization for Wilmington armory replacement

- ◊ NC Connect Bond (HB 943)
  - Includes $70 million for construction of three Readiness Centers in Wilkes, Burke and Guilford counties; these funds are not for state match

Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice

- Correctional Officer Custody-Level Base Pay Adjustment
  - $25.5 million to begin implementation of custody-level pay for Correctional Officers, Custody Supervisors; and Prison Facility Administrators.
- Mental Health Behavior Treatment
  - Provides approximately $8 million to establish mental health behavior treatment units at eight close custody prisons
- Central Prison Mental Health Beds
  - $3.1 million to funded 66 positions at the Central Prison Mental Health Facility to open 72 additional beds to enable the unit to operate at full capacity of 216 beds
- Electronic Health Records
  - $1.3 million for vendor fees for access and data for the electronic inmate healthcare records system.
- Electronic Monitoring
  - Increases funds for electronic monitoring by $2.6 million to purchase equipment for offenders under supervision
- Residential Beds for Adjudicated Juveniles
  - $2 million to expand bed capacity for adjudicated juveniles in contracted and state-run facilities throughout the state. The new total budget for juvenile community programs will be $20.1 million, an increase of 11%
- Managed Access for Cell Phones
  - Provides funding for the Department of Public Safety to spend up to $675,000 in FY 2015-16 and up to $2,750,000 in FY 2016-17 for a Managed Access System to provide enhanced security technology to deter illegal access of cell phones by inmates in the State's prison system.

II. DPS Accomplishments

	Bill	Session Law
Division of Administration		
1. Designated DPS employees to the concealed carry expanded scope. Provides the Secretary of Public Safety authorization to designate department employees' who have a valid conceal weapons permit to carry a firearm where it is normally prohibited by state law.	H562 1.(a)	SL 2015-195
2. Amend the definition of "regular salary" in the Workers Compensation Act Defines the term "Salary" as the "total base pay" of the person reflected on the person's salary statement and shall not include overtime pay, shift differential pay, holiday pay or other additional earnings to which the person may have been entitled prior to such incapacity. Salary paid to an eligible person pursuant to this Article shall cease upon the resumption of the person's regularly assigned duties, retirement, resignation, or death, whichever first occurs, except that temporary return to duty shall not prohibit payment of salary for a subsequent period of incapacity which can be shown to be directly related to the original injury.	H97 30.18(c)	SL 2015-241
3. Samarcand Training Academy rename/location The former juvenile detention facility known as Samarkand Manor, located in Moore County, is redesignated a law enforcement and corrections training facility and assigned to the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Public Safety. The facility shall be renamed Samarcand Training Academy and shall be administered by a Director. The operating budget for Samarcand Training Academy shall be funded by the Department of Public Safety but shall be independent of the operating budget of any Division within the Department and shall be managed and administered by the Director of the Academy with oversight by the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Public Safety.	H97 16A.4.	SL 2015-241
4. Grants for body-worn video cameras for law enforcement agencies The sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars ($2,500,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2015-2016 fiscal year and the sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars ($2,500,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2016-2017 fiscal year appropriated in this act to the Department of Public Safety shall be used to provide matching grants to local and county law enforcement agencies to purchase and place into service body-worn video cameras and for training and related expenses. These grant funds shall be administered by the Governor's Crime Commission, which shall develop guidelines and procedures for the administration and distribution of grants to those agencies.	H97 16A.8.(a)	SL 2015-241
5. Salary Adjustment Fund Funds appropriated or otherwise transferred to the General Fund Salary Adjustment by this act or any other provision of law shall be used to fund agency requests for salary range revisions, special minimum rates, grade to band transfers, and geographic site differential adjustments to provide competitive salary rates for affected job classifications or groups in response to changes in labor market rates as documented through data collection and analysis according to accepted human resource professional practices and standards. Funds shall only be used for salary adjustments that are in compliance with State Human Resources Commission policies. Funding shall not be used for other purposes, including in-range adjustments, career progression adjustments, or other adjustments as these terms may be defined by State human resources policy.	H97 30.12A.	SL 2015-241
6. Extend reorganization through reduction authorization This Part is effective when it becomes law and expires June 30, 2017. The Office of State Human Resources and the Office of State Budget and Management shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations annually on the RTR program.	H97 30.13.	SL 2015-241
7. State Workers' Compensation Reform The Director of the Budget shall establish a statewide reserve in the amount of twenty-three million five hundred thousand five hundred forty-three dollars ($23,500,543) for State agency workers' compensation costs. For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the sum of two million dollars ($2,000,000) shall be used for the closure of existing workers' compensation claims. In addition, fifty percent (50%) of any funds remaining from the appropriations set forth in Section 2.1 of this act for legislatively mandated salary increases, compensation bonuses, and employee benefits shall be credited to the reserve for this purpose. The Office of State Budget and Management shall distribute the remaining funds to State agencies to fund workers' compensation line items. The distribution shall be based on a historical average of each agency's workers' compensation expenditures. State agencies shall further adjust these line items using receipts.	H97 30.18.	SL 2015-241
8. Compensation bonus awarded for fiscal year 2015-2016 Any person (i) whose salary is set by this act, pursuant to the North Carolina Human Resources Act, or as otherwise authorized in this act and (ii) who is employed in a State-funded position on November 1, 2015, shall be awarded a one-time, lump-sum compensation bonus for the 2015-2016 fiscal year in the amount of seven hundred fifty dollars ($750.00), payable during the month of December 2015. The compensation bonus awarded by this section is not part of annual salary and shall be paid out separately. The compensation bonus shall be awarded to eligible permanent employees without regard to an employee's placement within the salary range, including employees at the top of the salary range. The compensation bonus shall be adjusted pro rata for permanent part-time employees.	H97 30.18A	SL 2015-241
9. Samarcand Capital Project An act to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds which includes eight million dollars ($8,500,000) to fund Samarcand Training Academy.	H943 Public Safety	SL 10/1/2015
10. Grant recipients posted on grantor web site. An act to ensure that information on grant funds awarded by state agencies is readily available on state agency web sites.	H812 2	SL 2015-114

	Bill		Session Law
11. Authorize state agencies to undertake small repairs and renovations projects with funds available Notwithstanding G.S., a State agency may undertake repairs and renovations projects so long as each project satisfies the following requirements: (1) Total project costs do not exceed three hundred thousand dollars ($300,000). (2) The project is one of the types set forth in G.S., regardless of whether the relevant State facilities and related infrastructure are supported from the General Fund. (3) The project is paid for with funds available to the agency.	H97	31.14	SL 2015-241
12. Create Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements Creation and membership of Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements. The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements is established. The Committee consists of 16 members as follows: (1) Eight members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, at least two of whom are members of the minority party. (2) Eight members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, at least two of whom are members of the minority party.	H97	31.16	SL 2015-241
13. Data centers/consolidation Beginning with the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium, the State Chief Information Officer shall create an inventory of data center operations in the executive branch and shall develop and implement a detailed, written plan for consolidation of agency data centers in the most efficient manner possible. By December 1, 2015, the State Chief Information Officer shall present a report on the completed data center consolidation plan to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division. On or before May 1, 2016, the State Chief Information Officer shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division on the number of physical servers eliminated across all departments as a result of data center consolidation and the savings associated with such elimination.	H97	7.9	SL 2015-241
14. Electronic forms and digital signatures The State Chief Information Officer (State CIO) shall implement a digital forms program for State agencies that provides for the acquisition and use of information technologies that enable electronic review, submission, maintenance, or disclosure of information as a substitute for paper documents and hardcopy forms.	H97	7.13.	SL 2015-241
15. Establish Department of Information Technology The Department of Information Technology is established in this Part as a single, unified cabinet-level department that consolidates information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services existing within the principal departments. Notwithstanding G.S., and except as otherwise provided in this act, all information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services vested in the State entities listed in G.S. are transferred to, vested in, and consolidated within the Department of Information Technology. The head of the Department of Information Technology is the State Chief Information Officer, who shall be known as the State CIO. The powers and duties of the deputy chief information officers, directors, and divisions of the Department shall be subject to the direction and control of the State CIO. Upon the establishment of the Department of Information Technology, the Governor shall appoint a State CIO in accordance with G.S.	H97	7A.1.	SL 2015-241
16. Clarify and amend the law providing for purchase of service by members of the teachers' and state employees' retirement system for educational leave The Board of Trustees may approve the purchase of creditable service by any member for leaves of absence or for interrupted service to an employer for the sole purposes of acquiring knowledge, talents, or abilities and increasing the efficiency of service to the employer, subject to the provisions of this subdivision. A leave of absence or interrupted service may be approved for purchase under this subdivision for a period of employment as a teacher in a charter school. Any other leave of absence or interrupted service shall qualify for purchase under this subdivision only if (i) during the time of the leave or interrupted service the member is enrolled and participates in a full-time degree program at an accredited institution of higher education, (ii) the member is not paid for the activity in which he or she is acquiring knowledge, talents, or abilities, and (iii) the service is not purchased for any month in which the member performed any services for any of the organizations listed in G.S., or a successor to any of those organizations.	H97	30.3	SL 2015-241
17. Allow retirees who return to work for the state in nonpermanent positions to retain their coverage options under the state health plan for teachers and state employees rather than limiting such retirees' coverage options to the "bronze level" high-deductible health plan necessitated by the Affordable Care Act All retirees who (i) are employed by an employing unit that elects to be covered by this subdivision, (ii) do not qualify for coverage under subdivision (1) of this subsection, and (iii) are determined to be "full-time" by their employing unit in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and the applicable regulations, as amended. The employing unit shall pay the employer premiums for retirees who enroll under this subdivision.	H97	30.25.	SL 2015-241
18. Personal Service Contacts Rewrites G.S. which includes that a Personal Services Contract is defined as a contract for services provided by a professional individual as an independent contractor on a temporary or occasional basis, but does not include, engagement of experts or expert witnesses who are to be involved in the planning, prosecution, or defense of any litigation, by the Department of Justice, the Governor, state agencies, or institutions.	S119	74(a)	SL 2015-264

	Bill	Session Law
Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Prisons		
19. Authorization for Inmate Construction Program Notwithstanding G.S. or any other provision of law, during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium, the State Construction Office may, wherever feasible, utilize inmates in the custody of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety through the Inmate Construction Program for repair and renovation projects on state-owned facilities, with priority given to Department of Public Safety construction projects.	H97 16C.7.	SL 2015-241
20. Amend Safekeeper Statute The Department of Public Safety shall report by October 1 of each year to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on county prisoners housed in the state prison system pursuant to safekeeping orders under G.S. to avoid security risks in county jails or due to insufficient or inadequate county facilities.	H97 16C.11	SL 2015-241
21. Licensed Physician/Execution of a Death Sentence Allows a medical professional other than a physician to monitor an execution. "Medical professional other than a physician" would be defined, for purposes of the statute, to include a licensed or credentialed physician assistant, nurse practitioner, registered nurse, emergency medical technician or emergency medical technician-paramedic. If a physician is not present at the execution, a physician must be present on the premises and available to examine the body after execution in order to pronounce the person dead, and must certify the fact of the execution to the clerk of superior court in the jurisdiction where the sentence of death was pronounced.	H774 1	SL 2015-198
22. Certificate Filed with clerk Clarifies that the execution procedures are exempt from the rulemaking and contested case requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act.	H774 2	SL 2015-198
23. Death by administration of Lethal Drugs Eliminate the provision that execution shall be "only by the administration of a lethal quantity of an ultrashort acting barbiturate in combination with a chemical paralytic agent," and provide that the manner of execution shall be in accordance with the provisions of G.S.	H774 5	SL 2015-198
24. Confidential information Amends G.S. to add that nothing in the Public Records Law is to be construed to require or authorize a public agency to disclose specified identifying information relating to the drugs or supplies obtained for executions.	H774 6	SL 2015-198
25. Off-Duty Correctional Officers/Conceal Carry Allows off-duty state correctional officers to carry concealed weapons provided that they are not consuming alcohol or an unlawful controlled substance and do not have any alcohol or unlawful controlled substance in their body. If the concealed weapon is a handgun, the correctional officer must meet Prison's firearms training standards.	S78 1	SL 2015-5
26. Correction Enterprise UL Inspection exemption for manufacturing equipment Amends G.S. whereby electrical devices, appliances, or equipment used by the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety in institutional kitchens and manufacturing equipment used by Correction Enterprises are exempt from the evaluation requirement.	H97 16C.13A	SL 2015-241
27. Limited Authority to Eliminate and Reclassify Certain Positions Notwithstanding any other provision of law, subject to the approval of the Director of the Budget, the Secretary of the Department of Public Safety may reclassify or eliminate existing positions in the Division of Administration that are not specifically addressed in this act as needed for the efficient operation of the Department. No position shall be reclassified pursuant to this section solely for the purpose of providing a person in that position with a salary increase.	H97 16A.3.	SL 2015-241
28. Reimburse counties for housing and extraordinary medical costs for inmates, parolees, and post-release supervisees awaiting transfer to state prison system Amends G.S. making the Jail Backlog Report a yearly report rather than a quarterly report.	H97 16C.1.	SL 2015-241
29. Center for Community Transitions/Contracts and Report The Department of Public Safety may continue to contract with The Center for Community Transitions, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for the purchase of prison beds for minimum security female inmates during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium. The Center for Community Transitions, Inc., shall report by February 1 of each year as provided in G.S.	H97 16C.2.	SL 2015-241
30. Authorization to create Prisons behavioral health positions Allows the Section of Prisons of the Division of Adult Correction may post, advertise, accept applications for, and interview for positions established or authorized in the budget related to behavioral health treatment prior to the effective date of the establishment of those positions.	H97 16C.13.	SL 2015-241

	Bill	Session Law
31. Study of Justice and Public Safety Behavioral Health The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety shall each appoint a subcommittee to study the intersection of Justice and Public Safety and behavioral health and report their findings and recommendations to their respective Committees. The subcommittees shall meet jointly to study and report on the following issues:(1) The impact of the Justice Reinvestment Act on the State's behavioral health system, including the following: a. The impact of the Justice Reinvestment Act on the demand for community-based behavioral health services available through local management entities/managed care organizations (LME/MCOs).b. The change in the number of criminal offenders referred to the Treatment Accountability for Safer Communities (TASC) program since 2010 and other demands on the TASC program that have arisen since that time. c. The sources and amounts of funding available to serve this population, as well as any other support or resources that are provided by the Department of Public Safety to the Department of Health and Human Services or the LME/MCOs. d. An analysis of the supply and demand for behavioral health providers who serve this population.(2) The impact of mental illness and substance abuse on county law enforcement agencies, including the following: a. The number of people with mental illness and substance abuse issues held in county jails. b. The impact on local law enforcement agencies, particularly with respect to their budgets and personnel.(3) The impact of judicial decisions on the state's behavioral health and social services system, including the following: a. The role and impact of family court decisions on the demand for and delivery of county social services. b. The role and impact of decisions by drug treatment courts, veterans' mental health courts, and driving while impaired courts. c. The impact of judicial decisions on the availability of beds in state-operated psychiatric facilities as a result of involuntary commitment orders and incapacity to proceed decisions. (4) Any other relevant issues the subcommittees jointly deem appropriate.	H97 12F.10.	SL 2015-241
32. Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Fund/monthly and annual reports The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association shall report monthly by the 15th day of each month to the Office of State Budget and Management and the Fiscal Research Division on the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Program. Each monthly report shall include the following: (1) The daily population, delineated by misdemeanant or DWI monthly housing. (2) The cost of housing prisoners under the Program. (3) The cost of transporting prisoners under the Program. (4) Personnel costs. (5) Inmate medical care costs. (6) The number of counties that volunteer to house inmates under the Program. (7) The administrative costs paid to the Sheriffs' Association and to the Department of Public Safety. SECTION 16C.6.(b) The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association shall report by October 1, 2015, to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Program. The annual report shall include the following with respect to the prior fiscal year: (1) Revenue collected by the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Program. (2) The cost of housing prisoners by county under the Program. (3) The cost of transporting prisoners by county under the Program. (4) Personnel costs by county. (5) Inmate medical care costs by county. (6) The number of counties that volunteer to house inmates under the Program. (7) The administrative costs paid to the Sheriffs' Association and to the Department of Public Safety. SECTION 16C.6.(c) G.S. 148-10.4(e) reads as rewritten: "(e) Operating and Administrative Expenses. – Five percent (5%) of the monthly receipts collected and funds credited to the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Fund, not to exceed the sum of one million dollars ($1,000,000) annually, shall be transferred on a monthly basis to the Sheriffs' Association to be used to support the Program and for administrative and operating expenses of the Association and its staff. One percent (1%) of the monthly receipts collected and funds credited to the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Fund shall be transferred on a monthly basis to the General Fund to be allocated to the Division of Adult Correction for its administrative and operating expenses for the Program."	H97 16C.6.	SL 2015-241
33. Authorize DACJJ to spend internal money to deter inmate access to cell phones Provides funding for the Department of Public Safety to spend up to $675,000 in FY 2015-16 and up to $2,750,000 in FY 2016-17 for a Managed Access System to provide enhanced security technology to deter illegal access of cell phones by inmates in the State's prison system.	H97 Money report	SL 2015-241
34. Collection of Delinquent Safekeeper Reimbursements Upon notification from the Division of Adult Correction that an amount owed by a county for Safekeeper reimbursements authorized by G.S. for housing Safekeepers is more than 120 days overdue, the Sheriffs' Association shall withhold funds from any reimbursements due to a county under this section and transmit those funds to the Division until that overdue Safekeeper reimbursement is satisfied.	H97 16C.12.	SL 2015-241
35. Our Children's Place Funds Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds remaining from funds appropriated for the 2004-2005 fiscal year for Our Children's Place for planning and design may be used by Our Children's Place for general operations.	H97 16C.17.	SL 2015-241
36. State funds may be used as federal matching funds Funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Public Safety for each fiscal year of the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium may be used as matching funds for the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grants. If North Carolina receives Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grants or a notice of funds to be awarded, the Office of State Budget and Management and the Governor's Crime Commission shall consult with the Department of Public Safety regarding the criteria for awarding federal funds.	H97 16D.2.	SL 2015-241

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37. Use of Closed Facilities In conjunction with the closing of prison facilities, youth detention centers, and youth development centers, the Department of Public Safety shall consult with the county or municipality in which the facility is located, with the elected State and local officials, and with State and federal agencies about the possibility of converting that facility to other use. The Department may also consult with any private for-profit or nonprofit firm about the possibility of converting the facility to other use. In developing a proposal for future use of each facility, the Department shall give priority to converting the facility to other criminal justice use. Consistent with existing law and the future needs of the Department of Public Safety, the State may provide for the transfer or the lease of any of these facilities to counties, municipalities, State agencies, federal agencies, or private firms wishing to convert them to other use. Some provisions in G.S. shall not apply to a transfer made pursuant to this section. The Department of Public Safety may also consider converting some of the facilities recommended for closing from one security custody level to another, where that conversion would be cost-effective. A prison unit under lease to a county pursuant to the provisions of this section for use as a jail is exempt for the period of the lease from any of the minimum standards adopted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services pursuant to G.S. for the housing of adult prisoners that would subject the unit to greater standards than those required of a unit of the state prison system. In addition, the Department of Public Safety may use available funds to reopen and convert closed facilities for use as treatment and behavior modification facilities for offenders serving a period of confinement in response to violation (CRV) pursuant to G.S. Prior to opening a new CRV facility pursuant to this subsection, the Department of Public Safety shall consult with the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the location of the facility, the proposed staffing, estimated operational costs, opening dates, and estimated number of offenders to be served.	H97 16C.3	SL 2015-241
38. State Agency Teachers Employees of schools operated by the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Public Safety, and the State Board of Education who are paid on the Teacher Salary Schedule shall receive the experience step increases authorized in the adopted budget.	H97 30.7.	SL 2015-241
39. Salary determinations for certain licensed health professionals State agencies, departments, and institutions shall have salary administration flexibility for licensed physicians, dentists, nurses, physicians assistants, pharmacists, and other allied health professionals and may exercise the flexibility within existing resources. No salary determination made under this section may exceed the maximum of the applicable salary range established by the Office of State Human Resources under Chapter 126 of the General Statutes. On or before September 1, annually, the Office of State Human Resources shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division on the salary actions taken under this section.	H97 30.14.	SL 2015-241
40. Palliative Care Unit at Central Prison The Department, with the approval of the Office of State Budget and Management, may use the funds from any savings generated (from Inmate Construction Program), together with available funds, to finance the capital facility costs of renovating existing space at Central Prison for bed space for long-term palliative care. No additional special indebtedness may be issued or incurred to finance the construction of bed space for such care. The use of funds authorized shall not require further approval by the Council of State pursuant to General Statutes.	H97 31.22.	SL 2015-241
41. Aids Drug Assistance Program The Department of Health and Human Services shall work with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to use DPS funds to purchase pharmaceuticals for the treatment of individuals in the custody of DPS who have been diagnosed with Human Immunodeficiency Virus or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in a manner that allows these funds to be accounted for as State matching funds in the Department of Health and Human Services drawdown of federal Ryan White funds earmarked for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP).	H97 12E.2.	SL 2015-241
42. Continuation review of certain funds/programs/divisions The Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee may review the funds, programs, divisions, and transfers from the Highway Fund listed in this section and shall determine whether to continue, reduce, or eliminate these funds, programs, divisions, and transfers from the Highway Fund, subject to the Continuation Review Program. The Fiscal Research Division may issue instructions to the State departments and agencies subject to continuation review regarding the expected content and format of the reports required by this section. The following funds, agencies, divisions, programs, and transfers from the Highway Fund are subject to continuation review as provided in this section: Department of Public Safety – Inmate Road Squads and Litter Crews.	H97 6.20.	SL 2015-241
43. Facilitate successful reentry. Direct the Division of Adult Correction to work with law enforcement, district attorneys' offices, and the courts to develop a process to identify, both at intake and before release, an inmate's outstanding warrants. The plan should seek to resolve the inmate's outstanding warrants while in custody, whenever feasible. The inmate must be notified of any outstanding warrant and his or her right to counsel, if such a right exists. It also requires that when an individual is taken into custody by law enforcement an attempt be made to identify all outstanding warrants against the individual and to notify the appropriate law enforcement agencies of the location of the individual. Additionally, prior to the entry of a criminal court order, the court must attempt to identify all outstanding warrants against the individual and to notify the appropriate law enforcement agencies of the location of the individual.	H570 2	SL 2015-48

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44. Limit parole review frequency. Inmates convicted of sexually violent offenses which will require them to register as sex offenders upon release shall only be reconsidered for parole every two years. The Parole Commission may give more frequent consideration if it finds that exigent circumstances or the interests of justice demand it.	S675 1	SL 2015-228
45. Modernize Inmate Grievance Resolution Board. The Grievance Resolution Board shall appoint an Executive Director and grievance examiners after consultation with the Secretary of Public Safety. The Grievance Resolution Board, in consultation with the Secretary of Public Safety, shall provide the Governor with at least three nominees, and the Governor shall appoint an Executive Director from those nominees. The Grievance Resolution Board shall appoint grievance examiners. The Executive Director shall manage the staff and perform such other functions as are assigned to him the Director by the Grievance Resolution Board. The Executive Director and the shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The grievance examiners shall serve at the pleasure of the Grievance Resolution Board. However, if a grievance examiner is removed from his position for other than just cause, he shall have priority for any position that becomes available for which he is qualified according to rules regulating and defining priority as promulgated by the State Human Resources Commission. The grievance examiners shall be subject to General Statutes for purposes of salary and leave. Support staff, equipment, and facilities for the Board shall be provided by the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety.	H97 16C.13B	SL 2015-241
46. Study Medicaid Coverage for Visual Aids The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety, shall submit a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Fiscal Research Division by March 1, 2016, containing an analysis of the fiscal impact to the State of reinstating Medicaid coverage for visual aids for adults utilizing a contract with the Department of Public Safety for fabrication of the eyeglasses at Nash Optical Plant Optical Laboratory. The report shall also analyze the cost of reinstating Medicaid coverage for routine eye examinations for adults in addition to the coverage for visual aids.	H97 12H.6A.	SL 2015-241
Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Community Corrections		
47. Eliminate CRVS for misdemeanants. Eliminates CRVs for misdemeanor offenders sentenced under Structured Sentencing and instead requires a period of confinement known as a "quick dip", which is a 2-3 day period of confinement for up to 6 days per month for up to 3 months. Generally only after the defendant has served two prior quick dips could probation be revoked, unless they have committed new criminal acts or absconded supervision .	S183 1	SL 2015-191
48. Clarify credit for time served. Clarify that credit for time served does not include any time that a defendant has spent in custody as a result of a pending charge while serving a sentence imposed for another offense.	S185 1	SL 2015-229
49. Address and clarify probation revocation appeals (whether probation supervision is stayed or continued). If a defendant appeals an activation of a sentence based on a probation violation, probation supervision will continue under the same conditions until the specified time.	H173 4	SL 2015-274
50. Study Management and Utilization of Probation & Parole Vehicles The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety shall study the management and utilization of probation and parole vehicles and report their findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by May 1, 2016.	H97 16C.15.	SL 2015-241
51. Interstate compact fees to support DACJJ operating needs Allows the use of Interstate Compact Fee collected during the 2015- 2017 biennium to be used by Community Corrections provide training programs and equipment purchases for the Section of Community Corrections, but only as long as sufficient money remain available in the fund to support the mission of the Interstate Compact Program.	H97 16C.16.	SL 2015-241
Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Juvenile Justice		
52. Allow flexibility in adjusting the language in the media release policy regarding juvenile escapes. Allow the Division to determine whether it is appropriate to release the statement regarding the level of threat when a delinquent juvenile escapes from a detention facility, secure custody, or a youth development center. The Division would still be required to release the name, photograph and general escape information. It also clarifies that the determination of the level of threat posed by the juvenile would be made by the Deputy Commissioner of Juvenile Justice or the Deputy Commissioner's designee.	H295 1	SL 2015-41
53. Felony to provide or sell a cell phone to juvenile delinquent. An act to make it a criminal offense to provide a cell phone to a delinquent juvenile in custody of the Department of Public Safety.	H294 1	SL 2015-47

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54. Medical costs/payout for inmates and juvenile offenders The Department of Public Safety shall reimburse those providers and facilities providing approved medical services to inmates and juvenile offenders outside the correctional or juvenile facility the lesser amount of either a rate of seventy percent (70%) of the provider's then-current prevailing charge or two times the then-current Medicaid rate for any given service. The Department shall have the right to audit any given provider to determine the actual prevailing charge to ensure compliance with this provision. This section does apply to vendors providing services that are not billed on a fee-for-service basis, such as temporary staffing. Nothing in this section shall preclude the Department from contracting with a provider for services at rates that provide greater documentable cost avoidance for the State than do the rates contained in this section or at rates that are less favorable to the state but that will ensure the continued access to care. (b) The Department of Public Safety shall make every effort to contain medical costs for inmates and juvenile offenders by making use of its own hospital and health care facilities to provide health care services to inmates and juvenile offenders. To the extent that the Department of Public Safety must utilize other facilities and services to provide health care services to inmates and juvenile offenders, the Department shall make reasonable efforts to make use of hospitals or other providers with which it has a contract or, if none is reasonably available, hospitals with available capacity or other health care facilities in a region to accomplish that goal. The Department shall make reasonable efforts to equitably distribute inmates and juvenile offenders among all hospitals or other appropriate health care facilities. (c) The Department of Public Safety shall report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety and the chairs of the House of Representative and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety.	H97 16C.4.	SL 2015-241

State Highway Patrol

55. Highway Patrol Step Raises State Highway Patrol shall receive the step increases provided by G.S. The increases authorized by that statute for members of the SHP become effective January 1, 2016.	H97 30.8.(d)	SL 2015-241
56. Use of funds appropriated for legislatively mandated salary increases, compensation bonuses, and employee benefits and closure of workers' compensation claims The appropriations set forth in Section 2.1 of this act include appropriations for legislatively mandated salary increases and compensation bonuses in amounts set forth in the committee report described. The Office of State Budget and Management shall ensure that those funds are used only for the purposes of legislatively mandated salary increases, compensation bonuses, and employee benefits, except that any funds remaining shall be divided equally between the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund and the reserve for the closure of workers' compensation claims.	H97 30.10(a)	SL 2015-241
57. State Highway Patrol Salaries Effective July 1, 2015, the salaries of all sworn members of the State Highway Patrol are increased by three percent (3%). Effective July 1, 2015, the starting pay for an entry-level position in the State Highway Patrol is increased by three percent (3%). The increases granted by this section are in addition to any other salary increase that a member of the State Highway Patrol is eligible to receive under this act.	H97 30.15.	SL 2015-241
58. Standard of Proof/Public Safety Dispatchers. Provides that the plaintiff must prove its case by clear and convincing evidence in any civil action against a 911 or public safety telecommunicator or dispatcher arising out of an act or omission in the performance of any lawful and prescribed actions pertaining to the defendant's assigned job duties at a public safety answering point (PSAP) or at any public safety agency receiving 911 calls from a primary PSAP6 for dispatch of appropriate public safety agencies.	H352 1	SL 2015-71
59. Next Generation 911 An act to create a Next Generation 911 reserve fund to implement Next Generation 911; to require PSAPs to implement Next Generation 911; to authorize the 911 Board to establish purchasing agreements for statewide procurement; to allow the PSAP grant account to be used for expenses used to enhance 911 service; to amend the limitation of liability for the 911 system; to update the 911 statutes to include new technology; and to make a technical correction.	H730 1	SL 9/29/2015
60. Transfer the duties of the NC Gang Report from the GCC to SHP. The State Highway Patrol, in conjunction with the State Bureau of Investigation and the Governor's Crime Commission, shall develop recommendations concerning the establishment of priorities and needed improvements with respect to gang prevention and shall report those recommendations to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on or before March 1 of each year.	H97 16B.3.(a)	SL 2015-241
61. Reduce nonessential blood work in certain misdemeanor death by motor vehicle. Clarifies that when a person is charged with felony or misdemeanor death by vehicle, felony serious injury by vehicle, aggravated felony death or serious injury by vehicle, or repeat felony death by vehicle and required to provide the blood sample, the sample is to be taken at any relevant time after the driving.	H924 1	SL 2015-241
62. Reduce the number of VIPER reports The Department of Public Safety shall report annually on the progress of the State's VIPER system.	H97 16B.2.	SL 2015-241

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63. State Capitol Police/receipt-supported positions The State Capitol Police may contract with state agencies for the creation of receipt-supported positions to provide security services to the buildings occupied by those agencies. Annually the State Capitol Police shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety.	H97 16B.4.	SL 2015-241
64. State Capitol Police/ Highway Patrol Relocation Clarification Technical correction to the budget in regards to the reorganization of the Law Enforcement Division. It clarifies that there are no jurisdiction, salary, or other unintentional changes made between the Capital Police and the Highway Patrol.	H735 3	SL 2015-267
65. Sensitive public security information is not a public record Sensitive public security information. (a) Public records, as defined in G.S., shall not include information containing specific details of public security plans and arrangements or the detailed plans and drawings of public buildings and infrastructure facilities. facilities or plans, schedules, or other documents that include information regarding patterns or practices associated with executive protection and security.	H97 16A.5.	SL 2015-241
State Bureau of Investigation/Alcohol Law Enforcement		
66. Appointment Confirmation for B.W. Collier as SBI Director A Joint Resolution providing for the confirmation of Bernard W. (B.W.) Collier as Director of the State Bureau of Investigation.	S712 1	RES 2015-5
67. SBI/ALE Asheville Regional Office Asheville Regional office operational date changed from July 1, 2015 to upon completion of new facility	H97 16B.7	SL 2015-241
68. Solidify ALE's enforcement agreement with the Lottery Commission. Provides recurring $2.1 million to be transferred from the Lottery Commission to ALE for gambling enforcement activities.	H97 5.2.	SL 2015-241
69. Update the precursor list Makes possession of a pseudoephedrine product a crime if the defendant has a prior conviction in any United States jurisdiction for specified methamphetamine-related offenses, updates the list of the immediate methamphetamine precursor chemicals, and authorizes the Joint Legislative Commission on Justice and Public Safety to study the authority of state agencies to schedule controlled substances without legislative action and establish the related procedure.	H659 1	SL 2015-32
70. Clarify Boxing Commission Fee The Branch shall collect a fee in the amount of two dollars ($2.00) per each ticket sold to spectators to attend events regulated in this Article. This section is effective on October 1, 2015, and applies to fees collected or assessed on or after that	H97 16b.6	SL 2015-241
71. Repeal corporate pseudoephedrine sales report Repeals outdated corporate pseudoephedrine report which has been replace by NPLEx. Prior to passage, every 30 calendar days, a wholesale distributor of pseudoephedrine products was to submit an electronic report to the SBI that accounts for all transactions involving pseudoephedrine products with persons or firms located within this State for the preceding month. The wholesale distributor was to keep each monthly report for a period of two years from the date of submittal to the SBI. G.S. 106-145.13. Section 3 repealed the required reporting and maintenance of records.	H924 3	
72. Amended GS 15A-298, SBI Subpoena Authority Makes clarifying change to the subpoena authority of the Director of the SBI.	H924 4	
73. Remove new language, "for the purpose or reporting to NICS" Amends G.S. requiring the taking of fingerprints of persons charged with certain misdemeanors, to remove the purpose language and simply provide that the fingerprints be forwarded to the SBI. This language corrects unintentional changes and will allow the SBI to continue to run fingerprints through the unsolved crime and other state databases.	H735 2	SL 2015-267
74. Amend Expunction and Methamphetamine report to come from SBI and not DOJ The Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with the Department of Justice and the Administrative Office of the Courts , shall report jointly to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety Oversight by September 1 of each year regarding expunctions.	H97 16b.5.	SL 2015-241
75. SBI Director/Personnel The SBI Director may hire or fire personnel and transfer personnel within the Bureau.	S119 20	SL 2015-264
76. SAFIS replacement language Budgets $399,602 in receipts on a recurring basis for replacement of the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Identification System (SAFIS). An additional $333,557 nonrecurring is transferred from Governor's Office Special Revenue into the Public Safety Information Technology Fund.	H97 Money report	SL 2015-241
77. SAFIS Correction, up to 3 million/over realized receipts Amends the budget to make a technical correction that is needed to ensure the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) can spend the funds intended to be spent on updating the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Information System (SAFIS). Also amended the statute authorizing the SBI to charge a reasonable fee responding to public record requests to include the costs of storing and maintaining records in the authorized fee that can be charged.	H735 1(a)	SL 2015-267

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78. SBI Fee Receipts/Use for storing and maintaining information When DPS determines any person is entitled to receive information, including criminal records from SBI, for any purposed other than the administration of justice, the SBI shall charge the recipient a reasonable fee. The fee shall not exceed the actual cost of storing, maintaining, locating, editing, researching, and retrieving the information. The monies collected may be budgeted for the support of the SBI.	H735 1(b)	SL 2015-267
79. Statewide opioid prescribing guidelines By July 1, 2016, the following State health officials and health care provider licensing boards shall adopt the North Carolina Medical Board's Policy for the Use of Opiates for the Treatment of Pain: (1) The Director of the Division of Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).(2) The Director of the Division of Medical Assistance, DHHS. (3) The Director of the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, DHHS. (4) The directors of medical, dental, and mental health services within the Department of Public Safety. (5) North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners. (6) North Carolina Board of Nursing. (7) North Carolina Board of Podiatry Examiners.	H97 12F.16.(a)	SL 2015-241
80. Pilot Project/Used Needle Disposal. The State Bureau of Investigation (SBI), in consultation and collaboration with the North Carolina Harm Reduction Coalition, to establish and implement a used needle and hypodermic syringe disposal pilot program by December 1, 2015.	H712 1	SL 9/22/2015

Law Enforcement

81. Require that all factory brake lights are functioning, no different from the headlamp Clarifies that motor vehicles must have at least one working stop lamp on each side of the rear of the vehicle	H90 1	SL 2015-31
82. Use of red or blue lights on vehicles prohibited; exceptions. Removes "forward facing" in G.S. to prohibit any red or blue light from being installed on a non-emergency vehicle after manufacture.	H924 2	SL 2015-31
83. Military Experience/ LEO Certification Requirements Requires that each military member or veteran with a military police occupation specialty be evaluated on whether their training and experience meets the standard required for Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) certification and what additional training may be required.	H595 1	SL 2015-49
84. Military Experience/ LEO Certification Requirements "Combined Training" Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Commission shall waive an applicant's completion of the Commission-accredited training course and issue probationary certification to a current or honorably discharged former military police officer provided the Commission, upon evaluating the individual applicant's combined training and experience pursuant to G.S., determines that the applicant's combined training and experience is substantially equivalent to or exceeds the minimum expectations for employment as a law enforcement officer.	S119 37(a)	SL 2015-264
85. Military Experience/ LEO Certification Requirements Report Requires NC Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission to provide a compliance report not later than April 1, 2016, to JPS Oversight and the Homeland Security, Military and Veterans Affairs Committees.	S119 37(b)	SL 2015-264
86. Authorization to use state funds as federal grant matching funds The Department of Public Safety, the Department of Justice, and the Judicial Department shall report by May 1 of each year to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety on grant funds received or preapproved for receipt by those departments.	H97 16A.1.(a)	SL 2015-241
87. Add members to the Criminal Justice Standards Commission Adds three members to the Commission: the Director of the State Bureau of Investigation, the Commander of the State Highway Patrol, and a juvenile justice officer employed by the Section of Juvenile Justice appointed by the Governor.	H595 2	SL 2015-49
88. SBI/SHP perimeter fence The Department of Public Safety may use funds available during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium to complete a SBI/SHP perimeter fence.	H97 31.21.	SL 2015-241
89. Law Enforcement Information Exchange and CJLEADS Funds appropriated for the Law Enforcement Information Exchange shall be allocated to the Criminal Justice Information Network Board of Directors to be used to map the records management systems of law enforcement agencies in the State to allow these agencies to interface with the Law Enforcement Information Exchange. The Criminal Justice Information Network Board of Directors shall explore the feasibility of sharing data between the Law Enforcement Information Exchange and the Criminal Justice Law Enforcement Automated Data System (CJLEADS). CJLEADS shall not be moved from the Government Data Analytics Center (GDAC) in the Department of Information Technology, as created by this act. The Department of Public Safety and the state CIO shall ensure that CJLEADS obtains access to federal criminal information deemed to be essential in managing CJLEADS to support criminal justice professionals in accordance with G.S. The Department of Public Safety and the State CIO shall provide a progress report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division on or before February 1, 2016, and quarterly thereafter, until the necessary federal criminal information access has been obtained.	H97 7.21	SL 2015-241

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90. Department of IT, DPS Exemption/Transition Report The Department of Public Safety, the Community College System Office, and the State Board of Elections shall work with the State CIO to plan their transition to the Department. By October 1, 2018, these agencies, in conjunction with the State CIO, shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division on their respective transition plans	H97 7A.2.(b)	SL 2015-241
91. Data security study The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology shall study liability issues associated with data security in both the public and private sectors. The Committee shall report its findings and any legislative proposals pertaining to liability issues associated with data security to the General Assembly on or before April 1, 2016.	H97 7.2	SL 2015-241
92. Alarm registration information not public record This act exempts any registration or sensitive security information received or compiled by a city pursuant to an alarm registration ordinance from the public records law. An alarm registration ordinance is "an ordinance adopted by a city that requires owners of a security, burglar, fire, or similar alarm system to register with the city." Information that is exempt from the definition of a public record includes registration information (including the name, home and business telephone number, and any other personal identifying information provided by an applicant pursuant to an alarm registration ordinance) and any sensitive security information pertaining to an applicant's alarm system (including residential or office blueprints, alarm system schematics, and similar drawings or diagrams).	H797 1	SL 2015-189
93. Retired sworn LEO handgun qualification exemption from Concealed Carry Training An act to allow an individual who is a qualified retired law enforcement officer and has met the standards, as approved by the North Carolina Justice Education and Training Standards Commission, for handgun qualification for active law enforcement officers within the last 12 months is deemed to have satisfied the requirement under G.S. that an applicant successfully complete an approved firearms safety and training course.	S212 1	SL 2015-105
94. Limit storage duration for damaged vehicle This act limits the amount of time a motor vehicle towed and stored at the direction of a law enforcement agency after a collision may be held as evidence. The vehicle may not be stored for more than 20 days, unless there is a court order allowing the car to be impounded for a longer period of time. The bill does not apply to a motor vehicle seized as a result of a violation of law or abandoned by the owner.	S345 1	SL 2015-188
95. Protect LEO home address/other information An act to protect certain personal information of law enforcement officers from disclosure.	S699 1	SL 2015-225
Emergency Management		
96. Hazardous waste fee update to include "per site" for the $5000 max and not per company Changes G.S. from $5,000 hazardous material fee that is collected per company to charging per site.	H97 16B.8.	SL 2015-241
97. Study compensation of Emergency Management Personnel The Office of State Human Resources shall study the salary classifications of State emergency management personnel within the Department of Public Safety and make recommendations for market-based salary adjustments based on market-rate compensation and turnover, recruitment, and retention issues experienced by the Department for these personnel. By February 1, 2016, the Office of State Human Resources shall report its findings to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Fiscal Research Division. If the Office of State Human Resources finds that market-based salary increases are warranted, notwithstanding the provisions of this act, the salaries of emergency management personnel within the Department of Public Safety may be increased to competitive market rates using funds remaining in the Compensation Increase Reserves appropriated within this act.	H97 30.17.	SL 2015-241
98. Emergency and Disaster Response Funding Changes There is established a State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund as a reserve in the General Fund. Any funds appropriated to the Fund shall remain available for expenditure as provided by this section, unless directed otherwise by the General Assembly. (b) Use of Funds. – The Governor may spend funds from the Fund for the following purposes: (1) To cover the start-up costs of State Emergency Response Team operations for an emergency that poses an imminent threat of a Type I, Type II, or Type III disaster. (2) To cover the cost of first responders to a Type I, Type II, or Type III disaster and any related supplies and equipment needed by first responders that are not provided for under subdivision (1) of this subsection. (3) To provide relief and assistance in accordance with G.S. 166A-19.41 from the effects of an emergency. (c) Reporting Requirement. – The Governor shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Chairs of the Appropriations Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives on any expenditures from the State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund no later than 30 days after making the expenditure. The report shall include a description of the emergency and type of action taken.	H97 6.19.	SL 2015-241

	Bill		Session Law
Center for Safer Schools			
99. Adopt School Risk Management Plan Requires each local board of education to adopt a School Risk Management Plan (SRMP).	H97	8.26.(a)	SL 2015-241
100. School Safety Exercises Requires local school administrations to hold schoolwide tabletop exercises and drills based on the procedures documented in the School Risk Management Plan.	H97	8.26.(b)	SL 2015-241
101. School Risk and Response Management System Requires the Department of Public Safety to construct and maintain a Statewide School Risk and Response Management system. The system shall be fully integrate and leverage existing data and applications that support school risk planning, exercises, monitoring, and emergency response via 911 dispatch. In constructing the SRRMS, the Division of Emergency Management and the Center for Safer Schools shall leverage the existing enterprise risk management database, the School Risk Management Planning tool managed by the Division. The Division shall also leverage the local school administrative unit schematic diagrams of school facilities. Where technically feasible, the SRRMS shall integrate any anonymous tip lines established pursuant to G.S. and any 911-initiated panic alarm systems authorized as part of a SRMP pursuant to G.S. The Division and the Center for Safer Schools shall collaborate with the Department of Public Instruction and the North Carolina 911 Board in the design, implementation, and maintenance of the SRRMS. This data is not considered public records.	H97	8.26.(c)	SL 2015-241
102. Anonymous Tip Line The Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, and the Center for Safer Schools, in collaboration with the Department of Public Instruction, shall implement and maintain an anonymous safety tip line application for purposes of receiving anonymous student information on internal or external risks to the school population, school buildings, and school-related activities, by July 1, 2016.	H97	8.26.(d) (k)	SL 2015-241
103. Statewide Panic Alarm System The Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, and the Center for Safer Schools, in collaboration with the Department of Public Instruction and the North Carolina 911 Board, shall implement and maintain a statewide panic alarm system for the purposes of launching real-time 911 messaging to public safety answering points of internal and external risks to the school population, school buildings, and school-related activities, by July 1, 2016. The Department of Public Safety, in consultation with the Department of Public Instruction and the North Carolina 911 Board, may develop standards and guidelines for the operations and use of the panic alarm tool.	H97	8.26.(d)(c) (k)	SL 2015-241
104. Cost/Single Solution System Where technically feasible and cost efficient, the Department of Public Safety is encouraged to implement a single solution supporting both the anonymous safety tip line application and panic alarm system.	H97	8.26(d)(d)	SL 2015-241
105. Encourage Regional and Charter Schools to adopt a School Risk Management Plan Each regional and charter school is encouraged to adopt a School Risk Management Plan as provided for under G.S. by March 1, 2017.	H97	8.26(l)	SL 2015-241
106. Require Local boards of education to adopt a School Risk Management Plan By March 1, 2017 each local board of education shall adopt a School Risk Management Plan as required under G.S., as amended.	H97	8.26.(k)	SL 2015-241
107. Report on Status of Statewide School Risk and Response Management System By February 1, 2016, the Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, and the Center for Safer Schools shall provide a report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on (i) the status of the School Risk and Response Management System (SRRMS) implementation and (ii) the anticipated annual cost to operate and maintain the system.	H97	8.26.(o)	SL 2015-241
108. Conforming changes/ School Risk Management Plan Makes conforming changes to the General Statute replacing outdated language pertaining to the Emergency Response plan with the School Risk Management Plan.	H97	8.26	SL 2015-241
National Guard			
109. Felony to Assault National Guard Member Creates felony offenses for committing particular types of assaults on a member of the N.C. National Guard who is discharging or attempting to discharge his or her official duties	H691	1	SL 2015-74
110. Occupational Licensing credit for military-trained veterans who pass a proficiency exam The act adds a new method for military-trained applicants to receive an occupational license in the State: military occupational specialty certification plus proficiency examination. The proficiency examination for military-trained applicants is the same examination given routinely by an occupational licensing board. If a proficiency examination is not routinely offered, the occupational licensing board must offer a fair proficiency examination for military-trained applicants.	S545	1	SL 2015-143
111. Protect National Guard Reemployment Rights Extend the reemployment rights currently granted to members of the North Carolina National Guard to those who have served as members of the National Guards of other states.	H254	2	SL 2015-161

	Bill		Session Law
112. Amend GS 116-209.52, NCTAP statute to more efficiently administer the program In statutes governing tuition assistance benefits for National Guard members, updates reference to "business and trade schools", by changing it to "proprietary schools." Corrects reference to entity that is responsible for creating an approved list of proprietary schools that National Guard members may receive tuition assistance for attending. Authorizes tuition assistance benefit for National Guard members enrolled in a program granting a graduate certificate through the NC Tuition Assistance Program (NCTAP).	S119	66	
113. NCNG members to carry concealed weapons while on NCNG property Amends gun laws allowing Members of the North Carolina National Guard who are designated in writing by the Adjutant General of North Carolina to carry a concealed weapon while discharging his or her official duties.	H371	2.5	SL 2015-215
114. Reserve and National Guard/Military Affairs Committee Adds two new voting members to the committee, one person who is a current or retired member of the North Carolina National Guard and one who is a current or retired member of a reserve component of the Air Force, Army, Navy, or Marines. Members must also be a resident of North Carolina with a long-term connection to the state and who is a involved in a military affairs organization or involved in military issues through civil, commercial, or governmental relationships.	H558	1	
115. NCNG Tuition Assistance Benefit Amendment Allows members of the North Carolina National Guard who are enrolled in a program granting a graduate certificate to be eligible for the North Carolina National Guard Tuition Assistance Benefit.	H709	1	
116. National Guard Projects The Department of Public Safety shall allocate the funds allocated for armory and facility development projects to projects designated by the Adjutant General of the North Carolina National Guard. The Adjutant General shall only provide for the allocation of funds to projects that were included in the latest Armory and Facilities Development Plan developed pursuant to G.S. and may determine which fiscal year of the biennium each designated project shall be funded. These funds will provide a State match for federal funds made available for this purpose. No later than June 1, 2017, and every two years thereafter, the Department shall report on the use of these funds to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the Fiscal Research Division of the General Assembly, and the Office of State Budget and Management. Each report shall include all of the following:(1) The status of all projects undertaken pursuant to this section. (2) The estimated total cost of each project. (3) The date that work on each project began or is expected to begin. (4) The date that work on each project was completed or is expected to be completed. (5) The actual cost of each project, including federal matching funds. (6) Facilities planned for closure or reversion. (7) A list of projects advanced in schedule, those projects delayed in schedule, and an estimate of the amount of funds expected to revert to the General Fund.	H97	31.8(a)	SL 2015-241
117. Amend National Guard Family Assistance Centers annual report requirements The Department of Public Safety shall report annually on the activities of the National Guard Family Assistance Centers during the previous fiscal year. This report shall include information on services provided as well as on the number and type of members of the active or reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States, veterans, and family members served.	H97	16B.9.	SL 2015-241
118. Capital appropriations/general fund Funding for Armory and Facility Development Projects FY 2015/16 $868,000 and FY 16/17 $5,087,500.	H97	31.2	SL 2015-241
119. Non-general fund capital improvement authorizations National Guard - Wilmington Replacement $14,200,000	H97	31.4.	SL 2015-241
120. Enhance benefits payable through the national guard pension fund Every member and former member of the North Carolina National Guard who meets the requirements of this section shall receive, commencing at age 60, a pension of one hundred five dollars ($105.00) per month for 20 years' creditable military service with an additional ten dollars and fifty cents ($10.50) per month for each additional year of such service; provided, however, that the total pension shall not exceed two hundred ten dollars ($210.00) per month. The requirements for a pension are that each member shall: (1) Have served and qualified for at least 20 years' of creditable military service, including National Guard, reserve and active duty, under the same requirement specified for entitlement to retired pay for nonregular service under United States Code. (2) Have at least 15 years of the aforementioned service as a member of the North Carolina National Guard. (3) Have received an honorable discharge from the North Carolina National Guard.	H97	30.24.	SL 2015-241

Chapter 2:
Appropriations Act of 2015
House Bill 97

I. DPS Money Report Summary
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I. DPS Money Report Summary

Justice and Public Safety, Public Safety

		FY 15/16	FY16/17
A. Reserve for Salaries and Benefits			
1. Compensation Increase Reserve			
Provides funds for a $750 one-time bonus for State employees. This bonus shall not be considered part of an employee's annual salary or base rate of pay for retirement purposes. In addition, funds are appropriated for the changes to the Statewide teacher salary schedule that affect State agency teachers within the Department.	R	$134,578	$134,578
	NR	$19,778,039	$0
	Pos	0	0
2. Fully Fund Highway Patrol Trooper Step Increases			
Provides funds for an experience-based step increase for State Highway Patrol Troopers pursuant to G.S. 20-187.3. The FY 2015-16 step increase shall be effective January 1, 2016.	R	$876,980	$1,753,960
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
3. State Highway Patrol Market Adjustment			
Provides funds for a market-based salary adjustment for sworn members of the State Highway Patrol (SHP). Salaries of all sworn members of the SHP are increased 3% and the starting pay for entry-level SHP positions is also increased 3% from $35,000 to $36,050	R	$3,700,000	$3,700,000
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
4. Correctional Officer Custody-level Based Pay Adjustment			
Provides funds to begin implementation of custody-level pay for Correctional Officers, Custody Supervisors, and Prison Facility Administrators. No earlier than January 1, 2016, the Department of Public Safety will begin adjusting Correctional Officer salaries, including the salaries of Correctional Food Service Officers and Managers, based on the custody level of the correctional facility.	R	$12,771,297	$25,542,594
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
5. Parole Commission Salary Adjustment			
Increases the salaries of the Parole Commission. The salary of the Chair of the Parole Commission is increased to the same salary as the Chair of the Board of Review. The salary of the three members of the Parole Committee remain at 92.4% of the Chair's salary	R	$98,393	$98,393
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
6. State Retirement Contributions			
Increases the State's contribution for members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System to fund increased retiree medical premiums. Total General Fund appropriation across all sections in the committee report is $11.0 million in FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17.	R	$1,046,686	$1,046,686
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
7. State Health Plan			
Provides additional funding to continue health benefit coverage for enrolled active employees supported by the General Fund for the 2015-17 fiscal biennium.	R	$2,251,128	$2,251,128
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
B. Department-wide			
8. Samarcand Operating Costs			
Funds start-up costs for the Samarcand Training Academy in Moore County. The training facility will allow the Department to provide overnight training for correctional officers and juvenile justice officers, as well as other employees of the Department of Public Safety (DPS). Positions are phased in throughout the biennium.	R	$1,096,687	$1,936,248
	NR	$466,121	$0
	Pos	18	21
9. Appropriate Use-of-Force Training			
Provides nonrecurring funds to purchase a use-of-force training simulator for the Samarcand Training Academy.	R	$0	$0
	NR	$109,565	$0
	Pos	0	0
10. Samarcand Firing Range			
Provides funds to construct a state-of-the-art firing range at the Samarcand Training Academy. The firing range will be made available to train for correction officers, probation and parole officers, State law enforcement officers, and local law enforcement agencies.	R	$0	$0
	NR	$2,898,779	$0
	Pos	0	0

		FY 15/16	FY16/17
C. Administration			
11. Operating Budget Reductions			
Reduces various line items in the operating budget for the Division of Administration. Reductions include: PC/Printer Equipment ($110,000), Server Equipment ($ 56,000), Data Processing Supplies ($ 15,000), Laboratory Service Agreement ($ 6,000), Library and Learning Resources ($ 7,000), Other line items ($ 5,189). This reduction is 0.33% of the $59.9 million budget for the Division of Administration.	R	($199,189)	($199,189)
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
12. Governor's Crime Commission Budget Alignment			
Modifies the budgeted amount for PC software by $10,879 and eliminates State matching funds of $1,610 for grant funds that are no longer necessary. This is a 0.04% reduction to the Governor's Crime Commission budget of $25.9 million.	R	($12,489)	($12,489)
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
13. Grants for Body-worn Cameras			
Provides matching grants for local and county law enforcement agencies to purchase and use body-worn video cameras and for training and related expenses. Agencies can receive up to $100,000. Grants must be matched by agencies on a 2 to 1 basis.	R	$0	$0
	NR	$2,500,000	$2,500,000
	Pos	0	0
14. HERO Grants			
Provides funds to the Governor's Crime Commission for grants to law enforcement agencies for salaries, training, and equipment for Internet Crimes against Children Task Force affiliate investigators and forensic analysts to utilize technology and data analysis to locate and rescue children at risk of exploitation. Priority will be given to veterans who have received training from the Human Exploitation Rescue Operative (HERO) project, a collaborative between the National Association to Protect Children, US Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and the US Special Operations Command, or a comparable training program.	R	$0	$0
	NR	$600,000	$1,000,000
	Pos	0	0
D. Law Enforcement			
15. SHP - Appropriate Use-of-Force Training			
Provides funds to the State Highway Patrol (SHP) to develop and coordinate appropriate use-of-force training for State law enforcement officers, including the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI), Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE), and State Capitol Police. Recurring funds are provided for supplies and equipment replacement and training costs; nonrecurring funds are provided for a use-of-force training simulator and associated equipment in the first year.	R	$150,000	$150,000
	NR	$109,656	$0
	Pos	0	0
16. SHP Vehicles			
Increases funding for Highway Patrol vehicles by 153% to $12,649,895 to fully fund the enforcement and support fleet vehicle replacement schedule. Enforcement vehicles will be replaced every 100,000 miles.	R	$7,657,143	$7,657,143
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
17. SHP Vehicle Cameras			
Provides funds to install cameras in the remaining enforcement fleet vehicles that do not already have them. Once the remaining fleet is outfitted with cameras, all of the cameras will be on a five-year replacement cycle.	R	$2,649,625	$2,649,625
	NR	$695,650	$0
	Pos	0	0
18. SBI Vehicles			
Establishes a recurring budget to replace 75 vehicles per year for the State Bureau of Investigation, including ALE.	R	$1,943,373	$1,943,373
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
19. SAFIS Replacement			
Budgets $399,602 in receipts on a recurring basis for replacement of the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Identification System (SAFIS). An additional $333,557 nonrecurring is transferred from Budget Code 23002 - Governor's Office Special Revenue into the Public Safety Information Technology Fund (Budget Code 24554) in the Special Fund section for this purpose.	R	$0	$0
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
20. Operation Medicine Drop			
Provides funds to the SBI for Operation Medicine Drop, a program that conducts events for citizens to bring unused or expired medications to a central location for safe disposal.	R	$0	$0
	NR	$120,000	$0
	Pos	0	0

		FY 15/16	FY16/17
21. Law Enforcement Reorganization			
Eliminates the Commissioner of Law Enforcement (Chief Deputy Secretary - 65014617). A corresponding special provision transfers the State Capitol Police as a section under the State Highway Patrol and makes the Highway Patrol a direct report to the Secretary.	R	($153,791)	($153,791)
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	-1	-1
E. Emergency Management and National Guard			
22. Emergency Management Operating Efficiencies			
Shifts partial funding of four positions to receipt support ($48,657), and reduces funds for supplies and equipment by $24,703. This is a 0.20% reduction to the total budget for Emergency Management of $35.7 million.	R	($73,360)	($73,360)
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	-1.17	-1.17
23. National Guard Operating Efficiencies			
Reduces the National Guard operating budget as follows: Waste Mgt Services ($67,679) Travel ($26,001) Motor Vehicle Insurance ($10,000) This is a 0.29% reduction to the total National Guard budget of $35.5 million.	R	($103,680)	($103,680)
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
24. National Guard Joint Forces Headquarters (JFHQ) Operating Expenses			
Provides funds for building utilities and maintenance for the National Guard's portion of JFHQ. Federal funds were used for this purpose until last year, when the federal portion of the funding was reduced to 55% and a 45% State match was required.	R	$350,000	$375,000
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
F. Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Prisons			
25. Electronic Intrusion System			
Enhances prison security through the installation of an Electronic Intrusion System (EIS) at Harnett Correctional Institution. EIS improves efficiency by eliminating staff in watchtowers and replacing them with a roving perimeter patrol. The total amount reduced in FY 2015-16 is $127,838. However, the Department is authorized to spend $74,050 nonrecurring funds for vehicles and telecommunications equipment for the perimeter patrols.	R	($53,788)	($511,219)
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	-14	-14
26. Inmate Education			
Reduces the Inmate Education budget by 5.6%, leaving $8,451,087 to provide education services.	R	($500,000)	($500,000)
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
27. Central Prison Mental Health Beds			
Funds 66 positions at the Central Prison Mental Health Facility to open 72 additional beds to enable the unit to operate at full capacity of 216 beds. Thirty-five positions are effective January 1, 2016 and 31 additional positions are effective January 1, 2017.	R	$1,074,669	$3,161,763
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	35	66
28. Mental Health Behavior Treatment			
Establishes mental health behavior treatment units at eight close custody prisons. Four units are effective January 1, 2016 and four units are effective January 1, 2017.	R	$2,092,641	$5,619,247
	NR	$121,300	$121,300
	Pos	76	152
29. Electronic Health Records			
Provides funding for vendor fees for access and data for the electronic inmate healthcare records system. The Department is currently using nonrecurring funds for the development and implementation of the system.	R	$0	$1,363,357
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
30. Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Fund			
Provides funds for the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Fund (SMCF). This fund was previously supported by court costs that were transferred directly to the fund. SMCF provides payments to county jails for housing, transportation, and medical care for misdemeanants sentenced to confinement for longer than 90 days.	R	$22,500,000	$22,500,000
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0

		FY 15/16	FY16/17
G. Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Community Corrections			
31. Electronic Monitoring			
Provides increased funding for electronic monitoring equipment for offenders under supervision. Use of electronic monitoring has more than doubled following the Justice Reinvestment Act; this funding supports the increased demand. With these additional funds, the budget for electronic monitoring will be $4.9 million in the first year, a 17% increase. In the second year, it will be $6.8 million, a 62% increase.	R	$700,000	$2,641,795
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
G. Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Juvenile Justice			
32. Residential Beds for Adjudicated Juveniles			
Provides funding for expanded bed capacity for adjudicated juveniles in contracted and State-run facilities throughout the State. The new total budget for juvenile community programs will be $20.1 million, an increase of 11%.	R	$2,000,000	$2,000,000
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
Total Legislative Change	R	$62,996,903	$84,971,162
	NR	27,399,201	3,621,300
Total Position Change		112.83	222.83
Revised Budget		$1,848,129,110	$1,847,365,626

		FY 15/16	FY16/17
Justice and Public Safety, Public Safety - Welfare			
I-11. Managed Access for Cell Phones			
Provides funding for the Department of Public Safety to spend up to $675,000 in FY 2015-16 and up to $2,750,000 in FY 2016-17 for a Managed Access System to provide enhanced security technology to deter illegal access of cell phones by inmates in the State's prison system.	R	$0	$2,750,000
	NR	$675,000	$0
	Pos	0	0
Justice and Public Safety, Public Safety Information Technology Fund			
I-13. SAFIS Replacement			
Budgets funds transferred from Budget Code 23002 to the State Bureau of Investigation to update the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Information System (SAFIS).	R	$0	$0
	NR	$333,557	$0
	Pos	0	0
I-13. Enterprise Resource Planning			
Transfers funds appropriated for Enterprise Resource Planning from Budget Code 24554 to the General Fund	R	$0	$0
	NR	($9,000,000)	$0
	Pos	0	0
Justice and Public Safety, Public Safety - Special - Interest Bearing			
I-15. Community Correction Funds			
Provides funds for the Community Corrections section of the Department of Public Safety to support training, purchase of safety equipment, and electronic monitoring from funds collected through Interstate Compact Fees	R	$0	$0
	NR	$200,000	$200,000
	Pos	0	0
Justice and Public Safety, ABC Commission			
I-17. Initiative to Reduce Underage Drinking			
Provides funds for the Initiative to Reduce Underage Drinking to provide public relations assistance; strategic marketing and branding; multi-media planning, negotiation, and buying; and creative design and development for the NC ABC Commission's Talk It Out Campaign.	R	$3,100,000	$3,100,000
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
Transportation, Highway Fund			
K-5. Motor Carrier Safety Assistance			
Increases recurring funding for the Motor Carrier Safety Program administered by the State Highway Patrol by $23,072.	R	$23,072	$23,072
	NR	$0	$0
	Pos	0	0
Capital, Department of Public Safety			
M-1. Armory Facility and Development Projects			
Provides State funds over the fiscal biennium to expand and renovate National Guard Armories and Facilities located throughout the State. These funds will match $6.7 million in federal funds. Of these funds $250,000 are to be held in reserve for a National Guard project described in a provision.	R	$0	$0
	NR	$868,000	$5,087,500
	Pos	0	0

II. Department of Public Safety Related Provisions

	Section	Page
A. General Provisions		
GRANT REPORTING AND MATCHING FUNDS The Department of Public Safety, the Department of Justice, and the Judicial Department shall report by May 1 of each year to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety on grant funds received or preapproved for receipt by those departments.	16A.1.(a)	300
CHANGE RECIPIENTS OF VICTIMS' COMPENSATION REPORT The Commission shall, by March 15 each year, prepare and transmit to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety and to the chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety a report of its activities in the prior fiscal year and the current fiscal year to date.	16A.2.	300
LIMITED AUTHORITY TO ELIMINATE AND RECLASSIFY CERTAIN POSITIONS Notwithstanding any other provision of law, subject to the approval of the Director of the Budget, the Secretary of the Department of Public Safety may reclassify or eliminate existing positions in the Division of Administration that are not specifically addressed in this act as needed for the efficient operation of the Department. No position shall be reclassified pursuant to this section solely for the purpose of providing a person in that position with a salary increase. The Secretary of the Department of Public Safety shall report any position reclassification undertaken pursuant to this section to the chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and the Fiscal Research Division within 30 days of the reclassification.	16A.3.	301
SAMARCAND TRAINING ACADEMY The former juvenile detention facility known as Samarkand Manor, located in Moore County, is redesignated a law enforcement and corrections training facility and assigned to the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Public Safety. The facility shall be renamed Samarcand Training Academy and shall be administered by a Director. The operating budget for Samarcand Training Academy shall be funded by the Department of Public Safety but shall be independent of the operating budget of any Division within the Department and shall be managed and administered by the Director of the Academy with oversight by the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Public Safety.	16A.4.	301
SENSITIVE PUBLIC SECURITY INFORMATION IS NOT A PUBLIC RECORD Sensitive public security information. (a) Public records, as defined in G.S. 132-1, shall not include information containing specific details of public security plans and arrangements or the detailed plans and drawings of public buildings and infrastructure facilities. facilities or plans, schedules, or other documents that include information regarding patterns or practices associated with executive protection and security.	16A.5.	301
CLARIFY ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY In order to secure a more effective administration of the criminal laws of the State, to prevent crime, and to procure the speedy apprehension of criminals, there is established the State Bureau of Investigation, which shall be administratively located in the Department of Public Safety. The Bureau shall be an independent agency under the direction and supervision of the Director, who shall serve as chief executive officer of the Bureau and shall be solely responsible for all management functions. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary, the Director shall have such authority as is necessary to direct and oversee the Bureau, and may delegate any duties and responsibilities necessary to ensure the proper management of the Bureau. The Department of Public Safety shall provide administrative support to the Bureau. The State Bureau of Investigation shall have charge of and administer the agencies and activities herein set up for the identification of criminals, for their apprehension, and investigation and preparation of evidence to be used in criminal courts; and the said Bureau shall have charge of investigation of criminal matters herein especially mentioned, and of such other crimes and criminal procedure as the Governor may direct.In the personnel of the Bureau shall be included a sufficient number of persons of training and skill in the investigation of crime and in the preparation of evidence as to be of service to local enforcement officers, under the direction of the Governor, in criminal matters of major importance.	16A.7.(a)	301
GRANTS FOR BODY-WORN VIDEO CAMERAS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES The sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars ($2,500,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2015-2016 fiscal year and the sum of two million five hundred thousand dollars ($2,500,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2016-2017 fiscal year appropriated in this act to the Department of Public Safety shall be used to provide matching grants to local and county law enforcement agencies to purchase and place into service body-worn video cameras and for training and related expenses. These grant funds shall be administered by the Governor's Crime Commission, which shall develop guidelines and procedures for the administration and distribution of grants to those agencies.	16A.8.(a)	303

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B. Division of Law Enforcement		
USE OF SEIZED AND FORFEITED PROPERTY TRANSFERRED TO DOJ OR DPS Seized and forfeited assets transferred to the Department of Public Safety during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium pursuant to applicable federal law shall be credited to the budget of the department and shall result in an increase of law enforcement resources for the department. Nothing in this section prohibits North Carolina law enforcement agencies from receiving funds from the United States Department of Justice, the United States Department of the Treasury, and the United States Department of Health and Human Services.	16B.1.(a)	303
VOICE INTEROPERABILITY PLAN FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE (VIPER) SYSTEM The Department of Public Safety shall report annually no later than March 1 to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the progress of the State's VIPER system.	16B.2.	304
GANGNET REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS The State Highway Patrol, in conjunction with the State Bureau of Investigation and the Governor's Crime Commission, shall develop recommendations concerning the establishment of priorities and needed improvements with respect to gang prevention and shall report those recommendations to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on or before March 1 of each year.	16B.3.(a)	304
STATE CAPITOL POLICE/RECEIPT-SUPPORTED POSITIONS The State Capitol Police may contract with State agencies for the creation of receipt-supported positions to provide security services to the buildings occupied by those agencies. No later than September 1 of each fiscal year, the State Capitol Police shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety the following information for the fiscal year in which the report is due:(1) A list of all positions in the State Capitol Police. For each position listed, the report shall include at least the following information: a. The position type. b. The agency to which the position is assigned. c. 2) In addition to the information required by subdivision (1) of this section, for each receipt-supported position listed, the report shall include the amount of the contract and any other terms of the contract. SECTION 16B.4.(c) Additional Reporting Required Upon Creation of Receipt-Supported Positions. – In addition to the report required by subsection (b) of this section, the State Capitol Police shall report the creation of any position pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and to the Fiscal Research Division within 30 days of the position's creation. A report submitted pursuant to this section shall include at least the following information: (1) The position type. (2) The agency to which the position is being assigned. (3) The position salary. (4) The total amount of the contract. (5) The terms of the contract. SECTION 16B.4.(d) Format of Reports. – Reports submitted pursuant to this section shall be submitted electronically and in accordance with any applicable General Assembly standards. The source of funding for the position.	16B.4.	304
CHANGES TO EXPUNCTION AND METHAMPHETAMINE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS The Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with the Department of Justice and the Administrative Office of the Courts , shall report jointly to the Chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety Oversight by September 1 of each year regarding expunctions.	16B.5.	305
CLARIFY BOXING COMMISSION FEE The Branch shall collect a fee in the amount of two dollars ($2.00) per spectator to attend events regulated in this Article.	16B.6.	305
SBI/ALE REGIONAL OFFICE CONSOLIDATION The Department of Public Safety shall consolidate ALE and SBI Regions and Regional Offices. The Asheville Regional Office shall be operational upon completion of new facility. All other Regional Offices shall be operational by October 1, 2014."	16B.7.	305
CLARIFY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FEES The amount of the annual fee charged pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall be calculated in accordance with the following, up to a maximum annual amount of five thousand dollars ($5,000) per reporting site. (1) A fee of fifty dollars ($50.00) shall be assessed for each substance at each site reported by a facility person or business that is classified as a hazardous chemical. (2) A fee of ninety dollars ($90.00) shall be assessed for each substance at each site reported by a facility person or business that is classified as an extremely hazardous substance.	16B.8.	306
AMEND NATIONAL GUARD FAMILY ASSISTANCE CENTERS ANNUAL REPORT REQUIREMENTS SECTION 16B.9. G.S. 127A-64(b) reads as rewritten: "(b) The Department of Public Safety shall report annually no later than September 1 to the Chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees Committees on Justice and Public Safety and to the House of Representatives Committee on Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs on the activities of the National Guard Family Assistance Centers. Centers during the previous fiscal year. This report shall include information on services provided as well as on the number and type of members of the active or reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States, veterans, and family members served."	16B.9.	307

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C. Division of Adult Correction		
REIMBURSE COUNTIES FOR HOUSING AND EXTRAORDINARY MEDICAL COSTS FOR INMATES, PAROLEES, AND POST-RELEASE SUPERVISEES AWAITING TRANSFER TO STATE PRISON The Department shall report annually by February 1 of each year to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety and the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety on the expenditure of funds to reimburse counties for prisoners awaiting transfer.	16C.1.	307
CENTER FOR COMMUNITY TRANSITIONS/CONTRACT AND REPORT The Department of Public Safety may continue to contract with The Center for Community Transitions, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for the purchase of prison beds for minimum security female inmates during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium. The Center for Community Transitions, Inc., shall report by February 1 of each year to the Chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety on the annual cost per inmate and the average daily inmate population compared to bed capacity using the same methodology as that used by the Department of Public Safety.	16C.2.	307
USE OF CLOSED FACILITIES In conjunction with the closing of prison facilities, youth detention centers, and youth development centers, the Department of Public Safety shall consult with the county or municipality in which the facility is located, with the elected State and local officials, and with State and federal agencies about the possibility of converting that facility to other use. The Department may also consult with any private for-profit or nonprofit firm about the possibility of converting the facility to other use. In developing a proposal for future use of each facility, the Department shall give priority to converting the facility to other criminal justice use. Consistent with existing law and the future needs of the Department of Public Safety, the State may provide for the transfer or the lease of any of these facilities to counties, municipalities, State agencies, federal agencies, or private firms wishing to convert them to other use. G.S. 146-29.1(f) through (g) shall not apply to a transfer made pursuant to this section. The Department of Public Safety may also consider converting some of the facilities recommended for closing from one security custody level to another, where that conversion would be cost-effective. A prison unit under lease to a county pursuant to the provisions of this section for use as a jail is exempt for the period of the lease from any of the minimum standards adopted by the Secretary of Health and Human Services pursuant to G.S. 153A-221 for the housing of adult prisoners that would subject the unit to greater standards than those required of a unit of the State prison system. SECTION 16C.3.(b) In addition to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the Department of Public Safety may use available funds to reopen and convert closed facilities for use as treatment and behavior modification facilities for offenders serving a period of confinement in response to violation (CRV) pursuant to G.S. 15A-1344(d2). Prior to opening a new CRV facility pursuant to this subsection, the Department of Public Safety shall consul with the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the location of the facility, the proposed staffing, estimated operational costs, opening dates, and estimated number of offenders to be served.	16C.3.	307
MEDICAL COSTS FOR INMATES AND JUVENILE OFFENDERS The Department of Public Safety shall reimburse those providers and facilities providing approved medical services to inmates and juvenile offenders outside the correctional or juvenile facility the lesser amount of either a rate of seventy percent (70%) of the provider's then-current prevailing charge or two times the then-current Medicaid rate for any given service. The Department shall have the right to audit any given provider to determine the actual prevailing charge to ensure compliance with this provision. This section does apply to vendors providing services that are not billed on a fee-for-service basis, such as temporary staffing. Nothing in this section shall preclude the Department from contracting with a provider for services at rates that provide greater documentable cost avoidance for the State than do the rates contained in this section or at rates that are less favorable to the State but that will ensure the continued access to care. (b) The Department of Public Safety shall make every effort to contain medical costs for inmates and juvenile offenders by making use of its own hospital and health care facilities to provide health care services to inmates and juvenile offenders. To the extent that the Department of Public Safety must utilize other facilities and services to provide health care services to inmates and juvenile offenders, the Department shall make reasonable efforts to make use of hospitals or other providers with which it has a contract or, if none is reasonably available, hospitals with available capacity or other health care facilities in a region to accomplish that goal. The Department shall make reasonable efforts to equitably distribute inmates and juvenile offenders among all hospitals or other appropriate health care facilities. (c) The Department of Public Safety shall report quarterly to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety and the chairs of the House of Representative and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety on: (1) The percentage of the total inmates and juvenile offenders requiring hospitalization or hospital services who receive that treatment at each hospital. (2) The volume of services provided by community medical providers that can be scheduled in advance and, of that volume, the percentage of those services that are provided by contracted providers. (3) The volume of services provided by community medical providers that cannot be scheduled in advance and, of that volume, the percentage of those services that are provided by contracted providers. (4) The volume of services provided by community medical providers that are emergent cases requiring hospital admissions and emergent cases not requiring hospital admissions.	16C.4.	308
INMATE CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM Notwithstanding G.S. 66-58 or any other provision of law, during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium, the State Construction Office may, wherever feasible, utilize inmates in the custody of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety through the Inmate Construction Program for repair and renovation projects on State-owned facilities, with priority given to Department of Public Safety construction projects.	16C.7.	309

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STATEWIDE MISDEMEANANT CONFINEMENT FUND/MONTHLY AND ANNUAL REPORTS The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association shall report monthly by the 15th day of each month to the Office of State Budget and Management and the Fiscal Research Division on the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Program. Each monthly report shall include the following: (1) The daily population, delineated by misdemeanant or DWI monthly housing. (2) The cost of housing prisoners under the Program. (3) The cost of transporting prisoners under the Program. (4) Personnel costs. (5) Inmate medical care costs. (6) The number of counties that volunteer to house inmates under the Program. (7) The administrative costs paid to the Sheriffs' Association and to the Department of Public Safety. SECTION 16C.6.(b) The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association shall report by October 1, 2015, to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Program. The annual report shall include the following with respect to the prior fiscal year: (1) Revenue collected by the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Program. (2) The cost of housing prisoners by county under the Program. (3) The cost of transporting prisoners by county under the Program. (4) Personnel costs by county. (5) Inmate medical care costs by county. (6) The number of counties that volunteer to house inmates under the Program. (7) The administrative costs paid to the Sheriffs' Association and to the Department of Public Safety. SECTION 16C.6.(c) G.S. 148-10.4(e) reads as rewritten: "(e) Operating and Administrative Expenses. – Five percent (5%) of the monthly receipts collected and funds credited to the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Fund, not to exceed the sum of one million dollars ($1,000,000) annually, shall be transferred on a monthly basis to the Sheriffs' Association to be used to support the Program and for administrative and operating expenses of the Association and its staff. One percent (1%) of the monthly receipts collected and funds credited to the Statewide Misdemeanant Confinement Fund shall be transferred on a monthly basis to the General Fund to be allocated to the Division of Adult Correction for its administrative and operating expenses for the Program."	16C.6.	309
REPORT ON CONTRACTS FOR HOUSING STATE PRISONERS/REPEAL AUTHORIZATION FOR LEASE-PURCHASE OF PRISON FACILITIES FROM PRIVATE FIRMS The Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety shall make a written report no later than March 1 of every year, beginning in 1997, on the substance of all outstanding contracts for the housing of State prisoners entered into under the authority of this section. The report shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety.	16C.1.10.	310
ANNUAL REPORT ON SAFEKEEPERS The Department of Public Safety shall report by October 1 of each year to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on county prisoners housed in the State prison system pursuant to safekeeping orders under G.S. 162-39(b) to avoid security risks in county jails or due to insufficient or inadequate county facilities. The report shall include: (1) The number of Safekeeper currently housed by the Department. (2) A list of the facilities where Safekeeper are housed and the population of Safekeeper by facility. (3) The average length of stay by a Safekeeper in one of those facilities. (4) The amount paid by counties for housing and extraordinary medical care of Safekeeper. (5) A list of the counties in arrears for Safekeeper payments owed to the Department at the end of the fiscal year.	16C.11.	310
COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT SAFEKEEPER REIMBURSEMENTS Upon notification from the Division of Adult Correction that an amount owed by a county for Safekeeper reimbursements authorized under G.S. 162-39 is more than 120 days overdue, the Sheriffs' Association shall withhold funds from any reimbursements due to a county under this section and transmit those funds to the Division until that overdue Safekeeper reimbursement is satisfied.	16C.12.	310
PRISONS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POSITIONS Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Section of Prisons of the Division of Adult Correction may post, advertise, accept applications for, and interview for positions established or authorized by this act related to behavioral health treatment prior to the effective date of the establishment of those positions.	16C.13	310
EVALUATION REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTRICAL DEVICES Electrical devices, appliances, or equipment used by the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety in institutional kitchens and manufacturing equipment used by Correction Enterprises are exempt from the evaluation requirement of subsection (a) of this section.	16C.13A.	310
INMATE GRIEVANCE RESOLUTION BOARD CHANGES The Grievance Resolution Board shall appoint an Executive Director and grievance examiners after consultation with the Secretary of Public Safety. The Grievance Resolution Board, in consultation with the Secretary of Public Safety, shall provide the Governor with at least three nominees, and the Governor shall appoint an Executive Director from those nominees. The Grievance Resolution Board shall appoint grievance examiners. The Executive Director shall manage the staff and perform such other functions as are assigned to him the Director by the Grievance Resolution Board. The Executive Director and the shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The grievance examiners shall serve at the pleasure of the Grievance Resolution Board. However, if a grievance examiner is removed from his position for other than just cause, he shall have priority for any position that becomes available for which he is qualified according to rules regulating and defining priority as promulgated by the State Human Resources Commission. The grievance examiners shall be subject to Article 2 of Chapter 126 of the North Carolina General Statutes for purposes of salary and leave. Support staff, equipment, and facilities for the Board shall be provided by the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety.	16C.13B.	311

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PAROLE ELIGIBILITY REPORT	16C.14.	311

Each fiscal year the Post-Release Supervision and Parole Commission shall, with the assistance of the North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission and the Department of Public Safety, analyze the amount of time each inmate who is eligible for parole on or before July 1 of the previous fiscal year has served compared to the time served by offenders under Structured Sentencing for comparable crimes. The Commission shall determine if the person has served more time in custody than the person would have served if sentenced to the maximum sentence under the provisions of Article 81B of Chapter 15A of the General Statutes. The "maximum sentence", for the purposes of this section, shall be calculated as set forth in subsection (b) of this section. The Commission shall reinitiate the parole review process for each offender who has served more time than that person would have under Structured Sentencing as provided by subsections (a) and (b) of this section. The Post-Release Supervision and Parole Commission shall report to the Chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety and the Chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety by April 1 of each year. The report shall include the following: the class of the offense for which each parole-eligible inmate was convicted and whether an inmate had multiple criminal convictions. The Commission shall also report on the number of parole-eligible inmates reconsidered in compliance with this section and the number who were actually paroled.

STUDY PROBATION AND PAROLE VEHICLES	16c.15.	312

The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety shall study the management and utilization of probation and parole vehicles and report their findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by May 1, 2016.

INTERSTATE COMPACT FEES TO SUPPORT TRAINING PROGRAMS AND EQUIPMENT PURCHASES	16C.16.	312

Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 148-65.7, fees collected for the Interstate Compact Fund during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium may be used by the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium to provide training programs and equipment purchases for the Section of Community Corrections, but only as long as sufficient funds remain available in the Fund to support the mission of the Interstate Compact Program.

OUR CHILDREN'S PLACE FUNDS	16C.17.	312

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds remaining from funds appropriated for the 2004-2005 fiscal year for Our Children's Place for planning and design may be used by Our Children's Place for general operations.

D. Division of Juvenile Justice

LIMIT USE OF COMMUNITY PROGRAM FUNDS	16D.1.(a)	312

Funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Public Safety for the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium for community program contracts that are not required for or used for community program contracts shall only be used for the following: (1) Other statewide residential programs that provide Level 2 intermediate dispositional alternatives for juveniles. (2) Statewide community programs that provide Level 2 intermediate dispositional alternatives for juveniles.(3) Regional programs that are collaborative of two or more Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils which provide Level 2 intermediate dispositional alternatives for juveniles. (4) The Juvenile Crime Prevention Council funds to be used for the Level 2 intermediate dispositional alternatives for juveniles listed in G.S. 7B-2506(13) through (23). SECTION #.(b) Under no circumstances shall funds appropriated by this act to the Department of Public Safety for the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium for community programs be used for staffing, operations, maintenance, or any other expenses of youth development centers or detention facilities. SECTION #.(c) The Department of Public Safety shall submit an electronic report by October 1, 2015, and a second electronic report by October 1, 2016, on all expenditures made from the miscellaneous contract line in Fund Code 1230 to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and the Fiscal Research Division. The report shall include all of the following: an itemized list of the contracts that have been executed, the amount of each contract, the date the contract was executed, the purpose of the contract, the number of juveniles that will be served and the manner in which they will be served, the amount of money transferred to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council fund, and an itemized list of grants allocated from the funds transferred to the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council fund.

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Funds appropriated in this act to the Department of Public Safety for each fiscal year of the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium may be used as matching funds for the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grants. If North Carolina receives Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grants or a notice of funds to be awarded, the Office of State Budget and Management and the Governor's Crime Commission shall consult with the Department of Public Safety regarding the criteria for awarding federal funds. The Office of State Budget and Management, the Governor's Crime Commission, and the Department of Public Safety shall report to the chairs of the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Committees on Justice and Public Safety and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety prior to allocation of the federal funds. The report shall identify the amount of funds to be received for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the amount of funds anticipated for the 2016-2017 fiscal year, and the allocation of funds by program and purpose.

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NO HIRING OF SWORN STAFF POSITIONS FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE CRIME LABORATORY The Department of Justice shall not hire sworn personnel to fill vacant positions in the North Carolina State Crime Laboratory. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require the termination of sworn personnel, but as vacant positions in the State Crime Laboratory are filled, they shall be filled only with nonsworn personnel. Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect North Carolina State Crime Laboratory personnel who are sworn and employed by the Laboratory as of the effective date of this section and who continue to meet the sworn status retention standards mandated by the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Standards Commission.	17.1.	305
Salaries and Benefits		
STATE AGENCY TEACHERS Employees of schools operated by the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Public Safety, and the State Board of Education who are paid on the Teacher Salary Schedule shall receive the experience step increases authorized in Section9.1 of this act.	30.7.	389
ALL STATE-SUPPORTED PERSONNEL All eligible State-supported personnel shall receive a compensation bonus as authorized by this Part.	30.8	389
HIGHWAY PATROL STEP RAISES Employees shall receive the statutory increases provided by G.S. 20-187.3, 7A-102, and 7A-171.1. Notwithstanding G.S. 20-187.3, the increases authorized by that statute for members of the State Highway Patrol become effective January 1, 2016.	30.8.(d)	389
USE OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED FOR LEGISLATIVELY MANDATED SALARY INCREASES, COMPENSATION BONUSES, AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND CLOSURE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS The appropriations set forth in Section 2.1 of this act include appropriations for legislatively mandated salary increases and compensation bonuses in amounts set forth in the committee report described in Section 33.2 of this act. The Office of State Budget and Management shall ensure that those funds are used only for the purposes of legislatively mandated salary increases, compensation bonuses, and employee benefits, except that any funds remaining shall be divided equally between the Parks and Recreation Trust Fund and the reserve for the closure of workers' compensation claims.	30.10(a)	390
MONITOR SALARY INCREASES The Office of State Budget and Management and the Office of State Human Resources shall submit a semiannual report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on nonlegislative salary increases in (i) State agencies, departments, and institutions, including authorities, boards, and commissions; (ii) the judicial branch; and (iii) The University of North Carolina and its constituent institutions.	30.11(a)	390
SALARY ADJUSTMENT FUND Funds appropriated or otherwise transferred to the General Fund Salary Adjustment by this act or any other provision of law shall be used to fund agency requests for salary range revisions, special minimum rates, grade to band transfers, and geographic site differential adjustments to provide competitive salary rates for affected job classifications or groups in response to changes in labor market rates as documented through data collection and analysis according to accepted human resource professional practices and standards. Funds shall only be used for salary adjustments that are in compliance with State Human Resources Commission policies. Funding shall not be used for other purposes, including in-range adjustments, career progression adjustments, or other adjustments as these terms may be defined by State human resources policy.	30.12A.	391
EXTEND REORGANIZATION THROUGH REDUCTION AUTHORIZATION This Part is effective when it becomes law and expires June 30, 2017. The Office of State Human Resources and the Office of State Budget and Management shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations annually on the RTR program.	30.13.	391
SALARY DETERMINATIONS FOR CERTAIN LICENSED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS State agencies, departments, and institutions shall have salary administration flexibility for licensed physicians, dentists, nurses, physicians assistants, pharmacists, and other allied health professionals and may exercise the flexibility within existing resources. No salary determination made under this section may exceed the maximum of the applicable salary range established by the Office of State Human Resources under Chapter 126 of the General Statutes. On or before September 1, annually, the Office of State Human Resources shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division on the salary actions taken under this section.	30.14.	392
STATE HIGHWAY PATROL SALARIES Effective July 1, 2015, the salaries of all sworn members of the State Highway Patrol are increased by three percent (3%). Effective July 1, 2015, the starting pay for an entry-level position in the State Highway Patrol is increased by three percent (3%). The increases granted by subsection (a) of this section are in addition to any other salary increase that a member of the State Highway Patrol is eligible to receive under this act or G.S. 20-187.3.	30.15.	392

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STUDY COMPENSATION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL The Office of State Human Resources shall study the salary classifications of State emergency management personnel within the Department of Public Safety and make recommendations for market-based salary adjustments based on market-rate compensation and turnover, recruitment, and retention issues experienced by the Department for these personnel. By February 1, 2016, the Office of State Human Resources shall report its findings to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and the Fiscal Research Division. SECTION 30.17.(b) If the Office of State Human Resources finds pursuant to subsection (a) of this section that market-based salary increases are warranted, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 30.10 of this act, the salaries of emergency management personnel within the Department of Public Safety may be increased to competitive market rates using funds remaining in the Compensation Increase Reserves appropriated within this act.	30.17.	392
STATE WORKERS' COMPENSATION REFORM The Director of the Budget shall establish a statewide reserve in the amount of twenty-three million five hundred thousand five hundred forty-three dollars ($23,500,543) for State agency workers' compensation costs. For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the sum of two million dollars ($2,000,000) shall be used for the closure of existing workers' compensation claims. In addition, fifty percent (50%) of any funds remaining from the appropriations set forth in Section 2.1 of this act for legislatively mandated salary increases, compensation bonuses, and employee benefits shall be credited to the reserve for this purpose. The Office of State Budget and Management shall distribute the remaining funds to State agencies to fund workers' compensation line items. The distribution shall be based on a historical average of each agency's workers' compensation expenditures. State agencies shall further adjust these line items using receipts.	30.18.	392
PAYMENT OF SALARY NOTWITHSTANDING INCAPACITY; WORKERS COMPENSATION ACT APPLICABLE AFTER TWO YEARS; DURATION OF PAYMENT The salary of any eligible person shall be paid as long as the person's employment in that position continues, notwithstanding the person's total or partial incapacity to perform any duties to which the person may be lawfully assigned, if that incapacity is the result of an injury or injuries resulting from or arising out of an episode of violence, resistance, or due to other special hazards which occur while the eligible person is performing official duties, except if that incapacity continues for more than two years from its inception, the person shall, during the further continuance of that incapacity, be subject to the provisions of Chapter 97 of the General Statutes pertaining to workers' compensation. The time period for which an eligible person receives benefits pursuant to this section shall be deducted from the eligible person's total eligibility for benefits pursuant to G.S. 97-29 and G.S. 97-30. For purposes of this section, the term salary shall be defined as the "total base pay" of the person reflected on the person's salary statement and shall not include overtime pay, shift differential pay, holiday pay or other additional earnings to which the person may have been entitled prior to such incapacity. Salary paid to an eligible person pursuant to this Article shall cease upon the resumption of the person's regularly assigned duties, retirement, resignation, or death, whichever first occurs, except that temporary return to duty shall not prohibit payment of salary for a subsequent period of incapacity which can be shown to be directly related to the original injury.	30.18.(c)	394
COMPENSATION BONUS AWARDED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 Any person (i) whose salary is set by this act in Part 9 or this Part, pursuant to the North Carolina Human Resources Act, or as otherwise authorized in this act and (ii) who is employed in a State-funded position on November 1, 2015, shall be awarded a one-time, lump-sum compensation bonus for the 2015-2016 fiscal year in the amount of seven hundred fifty dollars ($750.00), payable during the month of December 2015. Notwithstanding G.S. 135-1(7a), the compensation bonus awarded by this section is not compensation under Article 1 of Chapter 135 of the General Statutes, the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. The compensation bonus awarded by this section is not part of annual salary and shall be paid out separately. The compensation bonus shall be awarded to eligible permanent employees without regard to an employee's placement within the salary range, including employees at the top of the salary range. The compensation bonus shall be adjusted pro rata for permanent part-time employees.	30.18A	395
ENHANCE BENEFITS PAYABLE THROUGH THE NATIONAL GUARD PENSION FUND Every member and former member of the North Carolina National Guard who meets the requirements of this section shall receive, commencing at age 60, a pension of one hundred five dollars ($105.00) per month for 20 years' creditable military service with an additional ten dollars and fifty cents ($10.50) per month for each additional year of such service; provided, however, that the total pension shall not exceed two hundred ten dollars ($210.00) per month. The requirements for a pension are that each member shall: (1) Have served and qualified for at least 20 years' creditable military service, including National Guard, reserve and active duty, under the same requirement specified for entitlement to retired pay for nonregular service under Chapter 67, Title 10, United States Code.(2) Have at least 15 years of the aforementioned service as a member of the North Carolina National Guard.(3) Have received an honorable discharge from the North Carolina National Guard.	30.24.	395

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ALLOW RETIREES WHO RETURN TO WORK FOR THE STATE IN NONPERMANENT POSITIONS TO RETAIN THEIR COVERAGE OPTIONS UNDER THE STATE HEALTH PLAN FOR TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES RATHER THAN LIMITING SUCH RETIREES' COVERAGE OPTIONS TO THE "BRONZE LEVEL" HIGH-DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH PLAN NECESSITATED BY THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT All retirees who (i) are employed by an employing unit that elects to be covered by this subdivision, (ii) do not qualify for coverage under subdivision (1) of this subsection, and (iii) are determined to be "full-time" by their employing unit in accordance with section 4980H of the Internal Revenue Code and the applicable regulations, as amended. The employing unit shall pay the employer premiums for retirees who enroll under this subdivision.	30.25.	396
CLARIFY AND AMEND THE LAW PROVIDING FOR PURCHASE OF SERVICE BY MEMBERS OF THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR EDUCATIONAL LEAVE The Board of Trustees may approve the purchase of creditable service by any member for leaves of absence or for interrupted service to an employer for the sole purposes of acquiring knowledge, talents, or abilities and increasing the efficiency of service to the employer, subject to the provisions of this subdivision. A leave of absence or interrupted service may be approved for purchase under this subdivision for a period of employment as a teacher in a charter school. Any other leave of absence or interrupted service shall qualify for purchase under this subdivision only if (i) during the time of the leave or interrupted service the member is enrolled and participates in a full-time degree program at an accredited institution of higher education, (ii) the member is not paid for the activity in which he or she is acquiring knowledge, talents, or abilities, and (iii) the service is not purchased for any month in which the member performed any services for any of the organizations listed in G.S. 135-27(a) or G.S. 135-27(f), or a successor to any of those organizations.	30.3	397

Capital Appropriations

CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS/GENERAL FUND Armory and Facility Development Projects 2015/16 $868,000 and 16/17 $5,087,500	31.2	399
NON-GENERAL FUND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATIONS National Guard - Wilmington Replacement $14,200,000	31.4.	401
REPORTING ON CAPITAL PROJECTS By October 1, 2015, and every six months thereafter, each State agency shall report on the status of agency capital projects to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. By October 1, 2015, and quarterly thereafter, each State agency shall report on the status of agency capital projects to the Fiscal Research Division of the General Assembly and to the Office of State Budget and Management.	31.7	403
NATIONAL GUARD PROJECTS The Department of Public Safety shall allocate the funds allocated for armory and facility development projects in Section 31.2(a) of this act to projects designated by the Adjutant General of the North Carolina National Guard. The Adjutant General shall only provide for the allocation of funds to projects that were included in the latest Armory and Facilities Development Plan developed pursuant to G.S. 127A-210 and may determine which fiscal year of the biennium each designated project shall be funded. These funds will provide a State match for federal funds made available for this purpose. SECTION 31.8.(b) No later than June 1, 2017, and every two years thereafter, the Department shall report on the use of these funds to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the Fiscal Research Division of the General Assembly, and the Office of State Budget and Management. Each report shall include all of the following:(1) The status of all projects undertaken pursuant to this section. (2) The estimated total cost of each project. (3) The date that work on each project began or is expected to begin. (4) The date that work on each project was completed or is expected to be completed. (5) The actual cost of each project, including federal matching funds. (6) Facilities planned for closure or reversion. (7) A list of projects advanced in schedule, those projects delayed in schedule, and an estimate of the amount of funds expected to revert to the General Fund.	31.8.(a)	404
AUTHORIZE STATE AGENCIES TO UNDERTAKE SMALL REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS PROJECTS WITH FUNDS AVAILABLE Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-8-7, a State agency may undertake repairs and renovations projects so long as each project satisfies the following requirements: (1) Total project costs do not exceed three hundred thousand dollars ($300,000). (2) The project is one of the types set forth in G.S. 143C-4-3(b)(1) through (12), regardless of whether the relevant State facilities and related infrastructure are supported from the General Fund. (3) The project is paid for with funds available to the agency. Projects undertaken pursuant to this section shall be reported to the Fiscal Research Division on a quarterly basis. A report under this subsection shall include information about all of the following for each project: (1) The facility at which the project is being undertaken. (2) The nature and scope of the project. (3) The source of funds for the project. (4) The category of projects set forth in G.S. 143C-4-3(b) that the project falls within.	31.14	407

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CREATE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS Creation and membership of Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements. The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements is established. The Committee consists of 16 members as follows: (1) Eight members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, at least two of whom are members of the minority party. (2) Eight members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, at least two of whom are members of the minority party.	31.16	407
SBI/SHP Perimeter Fence The Department of Public Safety may use funds available during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium to complete a SBI/SHP perimeter fence.	31.21.	409
PALLIATIVE CARE UNIT AT CENTRAL PRISON The Department of Public Safety shall take appropriate measures, including maximizing the use of the Inmate Construction Program, to reduce costs related to construction of correctional projects authorized in S.L. 2007-323, as amended by S.L. 2009-209 and S.L. 2009-451, and S.L. 2008-107, as amended by S.L. 2009-209 and S.L. 38 2009-451. The Department, with the approval of the Office of State Budget and Management, may use the funds from any savings generated, together with available funds, to finance the capital facility costs of renovating existing space at Central Prison for bed space for long-term palliative care. No additional special indebtedness may be issued or incurred to finance the construction of bed space for such care. The use of funds authorized by this section shall not require further approval by the Council of State pursuant to Chapter 142 of the General Statutes.	31.22.	409

Division of Public Health

AIDS DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM The Department of Health and Human Services shall work with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to use DPS funds to purchase pharmaceuticals for the treatment of individuals in the custody of DPS who have been diagnosed with Human Immunodeficiency Virus or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) in a manner that allows these funds to be accounted for as State matching funds in the Department of Health and Human Services drawdown of federal Ryan White funds earmarked for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP).	12E.2.	160
JOINT STUDY OF JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety shall each appoint a subcommittee to study the intersection of Justice and Public Safety and behavioral health and report their findings and recommendations to their respective Committees. The subcommittees shall meet jointly to study and report on the following issues:(1) The impact of the Justice Reinvestment Act on the State's behavioral health system, including the following: a. The impact of the Justice Reinvestment Act on the demand for community-based behavioral health services available through local management entities/managed care organizations (LME/MCOs).b. The change in the number of criminal offenders referred to the Treatment Accountability for Safer Communities (TASC) program since 2010 and other demands on the TASC program that have arisen since that time. c. The sources and amounts of funding available to serve this population, as well as any other support or resources that are provided by the Department of Public Safety to the Department of Health and Human Services or the LME/MCOs. d. An analysis of the supply and demand for behavioral health providers who serve this population.(2) The impact of mental illness and substance abuse on county law enforcement agencies, including the following: a. The number of people with mental illness and substance abuse issues held in county jails. b. The impact on local law enforcement agencies, particularly with respect to their budgets and personnel.(3) The impact of judicial decisions on the State's behavioral health and social services system, including the following: a. The role and impact of family court decisions on the demand for and delivery of county social services. b. The role and impact of decisions by drug treatment courts, veterans' mental health courts, and driving while impaired courts. c. The impact of judicial decisions on the availability of beds in State-operated psychiatric facilities as a result of involuntary commitment orders and incapacity to proceed decisions. (4) Any other relevant issues the subcommittees jointly deem appropriate.	12F.10.	168
STATEWIDE OPIOID PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES SECTION 12F.16.(a) By July 1, 2016, the following State health officials and health care provider licensing boards shall adopt the North Carolina Medical Board's Policy for the Use of Opiates for the Treatment of Pain: (1) The Director of the Division of Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).(2) The Director of the Division of Medical Assistance, DHHS. (3) The Director of the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services, DHHS. (4) The directors of medical, dental, and mental health services within the Department of Public Safety. (5) North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners. (6) North Carolina Board of Nursing. (7) North Carolina Board of Podiatry Examiners.	12F.16.(a)	170
STUDY MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR VISUAL AIDS The Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety, shall submit a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Fiscal Research Division by October 1, 2015, containing an analysis of the fiscal impact to the State of reinstating Medicaid coverage for visual aids for adults utilizing a contract with the Department of Public Safety for fabrication of the eyeglasses at Nash Optical Plant Optical Laboratory. The report shall also analyze the cost of reinstating Medicaid coverage for routine eye examinations for adults in addition to the coverage for visual aids.	12H.6A	180

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SCHOOL SAFETY/STATEWIDE SCHOOL RISK AND RESPONSE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM Makes various changes to the school Safety and Statewide School Risk and Response Management System	8.26.(a)	76
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ALE Lottery Money Expenses of the lottery shall also include a transfer of two million one hundred thousand dollars ($2,100,000) annually to the Department of Public Safety, Alcohol Law Enforcement Branch, for gambling enforcement activities.	5.2(c)	9
Information Technology		
DATA CENTERS/CONSOLIDATION Beginning with the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium, the State Chief Information Officer shall create an inventory of data center operations in the executive branch and shall develop and implement a detailed, written plan for consolidation of agency data centers in the most efficient manner possible. By December 1, 2015, the State Chief Information Officer shall present a report on the completed data center consolidation plan to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division. On or before May 1, 2016, the State Chief Information Officer shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division on the number of physical servers eliminated across all departments as a result of data center consolidation and the savings associated with such elimination.	7.9	23
ELECTRONIC FORMS AND DIGITAL SIGNATURES The State Chief Information Officer (State CIO) shall implement a digital forms program for State agencies that provides for the acquisition and use of information technologies that enable electronic review, submission, maintenance, or disclosure of information as a substitute for paper documents and hardcopy forms. This program shall be developed in consultation with participating agencies. In developing this capability, the State CIO shall implement a citizen-friendly electronic forms processing solution that does all of the following: (1) Allows form data to be saved locally and submitted electronically. (2) Supports interactive forms on desktop and mobile devices. (3) Enables forms to be electronically routed through a workflow. (4) Provides for the encryption of confidential and sensitive documents. (5) Provides for digital signatures, where applicable, to enable and ensure submitter identity, submitted form information, and acceptance of forms terms and requirements. If practicable, this program shall be made available to all State agencies, departments, and institutions; local political subdivisions of the State; The University of North Carolina and its constituent institutions; community colleges; and local school administrative units.	7.13.	24
DATA SECURITY STUDY The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology shall study liability issues associated with data security in both the public and private sectors. The Committee shall report its findings and any legislative proposals pertaining to liability issues associated with data security to the General Assembly on or before April 1, 2016.	7.2	25
ESTABLISH DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY The Department of Information Technology is established in this Part as a single, unified cabinet-level department that consolidates information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services existing within the principal departments. Notwithstanding G.S. 143B-9 and G.S. 143B-10, and except as otherwise provided in this act, all information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services vested in the State entities listed in G.S. 143B-6 are transferred to, vested in, and consolidated within the Department of Information Technology. The head of the Department of Information Technology is the State Chief Information Officer, who shall be known as the State CIO. The powers and duties of the deputy chief information officers, directors, and divisions of the Department shall be subject to the direction and control of the State CIO. Upon the establishment of the Department of Information Technology, the Governor shall appoint a State CIO in accordance with G.S. 143B-9.	7A.1.	28
LAW ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND CJLEADS SECTION 7.21.(a) Funds appropriated in this act for the Law Enforcement Information Exchange shall be allocated to the Criminal Justice Information Network Board of Directors to be used to map the records management systems of law enforcement agencies in the State to allow these agencies to interface with the Law Enforcement Information Exchange. SECTION 7.21.(b) The Criminal Justice Information Network Board of Directors shall explore the feasibility of sharing data between the Law Enforcement Information Exchange and the Criminal Justice Law Enforcement Automated Data System (CJLEADS).SECTION 7.21.(c) CJLEADS shall not be moved from the Government Data Analytics Center (GDAC) in the Department of Information Technology, as created by this act. SECTION 7.21.(d) The Department of Public Safety and the State CIO shall ensure that CJLEADS obtains access to federal criminal information deemed to be essential in managing CJLEADS to support criminal justice professionals in accordance with G.S. 143B-1344(d)(1)a. The Department of Public Safety and the State CIO shall provide a progress report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division on or before February 1, 2016, and quarterly thereafter, until the necessary federal criminal information access has been obtained.	7.21	26

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DEPARTMENT OF IT, DPS EXEMPTION Report on Transition Planning. – The Department of Public Safety, the Community College System Office, and the State Board of Elections shall work with the State CIO to plan their transition to the Department. By October 1, 2018, these agencies, in conjunction with the State CIO, shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division on their respective transition plans	7A.2.(b)	29

Department of Administration

VEHICLES ASSIGNED TO SECTION OF COMMUNITY CORRECTION/EXEMPT FROM MINIMUM MILEAGE REQUIREMENT Exemption. – For the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium and notwithstanding any law, rule, or regulation to the contrary, motor vehicles assigned from the central motor fleet established under G.S. 143-341 to the Section of Community Corrections of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety are exempt from any requirement that the motor vehicle be driven a minimum number of miles per month or quarter. SECTION 27.6.(b) Report on Exemption. – The Department of Administration shall provide an interim report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety by March 1, 2016, and a final report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety by January 1, 2017. Each report shall include all of the following information: (1) The number of motor vehicles assigned to the Section of Community Corrections of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety. (2) The average miles per month the assigned motor vehicles were driven. (3) The average costs per month for maintenance and motor fuel for the assigned motor vehicles. (4) The number of months in which an assigned motor vehicle was not driven at all. SECTION 27.6.(c) Report on Vehicles Managed. – Beginning on October 1, 2015, and quarterly thereafter, the Department of Administration shall provide a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety on the status of all motor vehicles managed by the Department of Administration for the Department of Public Safety. The report shall include all of the following information: (1) The number of motor vehicles managed by the Department of Administration for the Department of Public Safety. (2) The condition of each motor vehicle, including the mileage on each motor vehicle. (3) The average amount of time taken to repair or replace a motor vehicle. (4) The number and condition of any backup motor vehicles managed by the Department of Administration and available for use by the Department of Public Safety, including the location and condition of each motor vehicle.	27.6.	347

General Provisions

CONTINGENCY AND EMERGENCY FUND LIMITATION For the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium and notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 143C-4-4(b), funds appropriated to the Contingency and Emergency Fund may be used only for expenditures required (i) by a court or Industrial Commission order, (ii) to respond to events as authorized under G.S. 166A-19.40(a) of the North Carolina Emergency Management Act, (iii) by the State Treasurer to pay death benefits as authorized under Article 12A of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, (iv) by the Office of the Governor for crime rewards in accordance with G.S. 15-53 and G.S. 15-53.1, (v) by the Industrial Commission for supplemental awards of compensation, or (vi) by the Department of Justice for legal fees. These funds shall not be used for other statutorily authorized purposes or for any other contingencies and emergencies.	6.1.	10
STATE AGENCIES/REPORTS ON LEGISLATIVE LIAISONS AND SALARY INFORMATION By January 1, 2016, the Office of State Budget and Management shall report the following information to the chairs of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, the chairs of the Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee, and the Fiscal Research Division: (1) Legislative liaisons. - a. The number of legislative liaisons designated by each Department or Commission. b. For each individual, the position name, position number, salary, the amount of time spent lobbying legislators or legislative employees for legislative action, and whether lobbying is the individual's principal duty such that the individual is required to file a registration statement with the Secretary of State. c. An explanation of why each legislative liaison is needed. d. A description of any other responsibilities or duties performed by each legislative liaison. (2) Public Information Officer (PIO) and staff reporting to PIO. - a. The number of individuals designated by the Department or Commission to serve as a Public Information Officer and the number of staff reporting to each PIO. b. For each individual, the position name, position number, and salary. c. The duties and responsibilities of each individual in his or her role as a Public Information Officer or staff to a PIO. d. An explanation of why each Public Information Officer and staff to each PIO is needed. (3) Salary reserve and lapsed salaries. - a. The amount of salary reserve, by source, remaining in each fund code on June 30 of fiscal year 2013-2014 and fiscal year 2014-2015. b. The amount of lapsed salaries generated in fiscal year 2013-2014 and fiscal year 2014-2015. c. The Department's or Commission's policy on the use of salary reserve and lapsed salaries.	6.4	12

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EMERGENCY AND DISASTER RESPONSE FUNDING CHANGES There is established a State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund as a reserve in the General Fund. Any funds appropriated to the Fund shall remain available for expenditure as provided by this section, unless directed otherwise by the General Assembly.(b) Use of Funds. – The Governor may spend funds from the Fund for the following purposes:(1) To cover the start-up costs of State Emergency Response Team operations for an emergency that poses an imminent threat of a Type I, Type II, or Type III disaster.(2) To cover the cost of first responders to a Type I, Type II, or Type III disaster and any related supplies and equipment needed by first responders that are not provided for under subdivision (1) of this subsection.(3) To provide relief and assistance in accordance with G.S. 166A-19.41 from the effects of an emergency.(c) Reporting Requirement. – The Governor shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Chairs of the Appropriations Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives on any expenditures from the State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund no later than 30 days after making the expenditure. The report shall include a description of the emergency and type of action taken.	6.19.	14
CONTINUATION REVIEW OF CERTAIN FUNDS/PROGRAMS/DIVISIONS The Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee may review the funds, programs, divisions, and transfers from the Highway Fund listed in this section and shall determine whether to continue, reduce, or eliminate these funds, programs, divisions, and transfers from the Highway Fund, subject to the Continuation Review Program. The Fiscal Research Division may issue instructions to the State departments and agencies subject to continuation review regarding the expected content and format of the reports required by this section. The following funds, agencies, divisions, programs, and transfers from the Highway Fund are subject to continuation review as provided in this section: Department of Public Safety – Inmate Road Squads and Litter Crews.	6.20.	15
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SBI SAFIS REPLACEMENT Budgets $399,602 in receipts on a recurring basis for replacement of the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Identification System (SAFIS). An additional $333,557 nonrecurring is transferred from Budget Code23002 - Governor's Office Special Revenue into the Public Safety Information Technology Fund (Budget Code 24554) in the Special Fund section for this purpose.		I-3
DETER INMATE ACCESS TO CELL PHONES Provides funding for the Department of Public Safety to spend up to $675,000 in FY 2015-16 and up to $2,750,000 in FY 2016-17 for a Managed Access System to provide enhanced security technology to deter illegal access of cell phones by inmates in the State's prison system.		I-11
Budget Technical Corrections - House Bill 259		
CLARIFICATION REGARDING RELOCATION OF STATE CAPITOL POLICE The relocation of the State Capitol Police as a Section within the Highway Patrol pursuant to Section 16A.7 of this act shall not affect the subject matter or territorial jurisdiction of such officers and shall not entitle such officers to the statutory increases provided by G.S. 20-187.3 or Section 30.15 of this act."	6.2	10
DPS Agency Bill- Budget Corrections - House Bill 735		
SAFIS FUNDS Notwithstanding any other provision of this act or of the Committee Report described in Section 33.2 of this act, the sum of three hundred thirty-three thousand five hundred fifty-seven dollars ($333,557) shall not be transferred from Budget Code 23002 to the State Bureau of Investigation to update the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Information System (SAFIS). Notwithstanding any other provision of this act or of the Committee Report described in Section 33.2 of this act, the Department of Public Safety may use up to the sum of three million dollars ($3,000,000) in overrealized receipts during the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium for replacement of the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Identification System (SAFIS).	1	1
Use of fingerprint and background check fees Adds "storing and maintaining" to the list of items the SBI is authorized to use from the fees collected	1b	1
Clarification regarding relocation of State Capitol Police #2 Clarifies that the chief and other members of State Capitol Police are not considered members of the State Highway Patrol	3	2

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Department Heads and Chief Fiscal Officers

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SUBJECT: Summary of General Provisions in the 2015 Appropriations Act, House Bill 97 (Session Law 2015-241) as amended by House Bill 259 (Session Law 2015-268) and Senate Bill 119 (Session Law 2015-264)

The General Assembly enacted House Bill 97, the 2015 Appropriations Act (Session Law 2015-241). This act contains appropriations and special provisions that affect all State agencies. House Bill 259 (Session Law 2015-268) and Senate Bill 119 (Session Law 2015-264) make technical, clarifying and other modifications to House Bill 97. Copies of these bills may be obtained from the Printed Bills area in the Legislative Building or downloaded and printed from the General Assembly's website (http://www.ncleg.net).

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise you of special provisions and monetary items of significance that have statewide implications. It does not summarize agency specific provisions. It is also not intended to replace an agency's responsibility for reviewing all the general and statewide special provisions.

General Provisions in House Bill 97 (Session Law 2015-241), House Bill 259 (Session Law 2015-268) and Senate Bill 119 (Session Law 2015-264), and Statewide Reserves included in The Joint Conference Committee Report on the Continuation, Expansion and Capital Budgets dated September 14, 2015.

The following topics are included: General Budget Provisions, Grants and Fees, Budget Management, Alignment and Reporting, Salaries and Benefits, Emergency and Disaster Funding, Statewide Reserves, Capital, and Information Technology.

Section numbers and titles, as well as item and page numbers in the Joint Conference Committee Report, are provided to assist you in reviewing the budget bill.

Further guidance regarding State Budget Act changes will be forthcoming.

If you have any questions about the information outlined in this memorandum, please contact your OSBM budget analyst at (919) 807-4700.

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GENERAL BUDGET PROVISIONS

Introduction
Section 1.2
The appropriations made in this act are for maximum amounts necessary to provide the services and accomplish the purposes described in the budget. Savings shall be effected where the total amounts appropriated are not required to perform these services and accomplish these purposes and, except as allowed by the State Budget Act or House Bill 97, the savings shall revert to the appropriate fund at the end of each fiscal year as provided in G.S.143C-1-2(b).

General Fund Availability Statement
Section 2.2(c-e)
In conjunction with the ratification of 2015 HB 943, these subsections transfer $450M to the Savings Reserve Account and transfer and appropriate $150M to the Reserve for Repairs and Renovations.

Appropriation of Cash Balances and Receipts
Section 5.1
This provision appropriates State funds for the 2015-2017 biennium as follows:

1) For all budget codes listed in "The State of North Carolina Governor's Recommended Budget, 2015-17" and in the Budget Support Document, cash balances and receipts are appropriated up to the amounts specified, as adjusted by the General Assembly, for the 2015-16 fiscal year and the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Funds may be expended only for the programs, purposes, objects, and line items or as otherwise authorized by the General Assembly. Expansion budget funds listed in those documents are appropriated only as otherwise provided in this act.

2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection:

    a. Any receipts that are required to be used to pay debt service requirements for various outstanding bond issues and certificates of participation are appropriated up to the actual amounts received for the 2015-2016 fiscal year and the 2016-2017 fiscal year and shall be used only to pay debt service requirements.

    b. Other funds, cash balances, and receipts of funds that meet the definition issued by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board of a trust or agency fund are appropriated for and in the amounts required to meet the legal requirements of the trust agreement for the 2015-2016 fiscal year and the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Receipts collected in a fiscal year in excess of the amounts authorized by this provision shall remain unexpended and unencumbered. However, if authorized under the State Budget Act and approved by OSBM, overrealized receipts may be expended in the year in which they are collected.

The Office of State Budget and Management shall work with the recipient State agencies to budget grant awards according to the annual program needs and within the parameters of the respective granting entities. Depending on the nature of the award, additional State personnel may be employed on a time-limited basis. Funds received from such grants are hereby appropriated and shall be incorporated into the authorized budget of the recipient State agency. No State agency may accept a grant not anticipated in the 2015 Appropriations Act if acceptance of the grant would obligate the State to make future expenditures relating to the program receiving the grant or would otherwise result in a financial obligation as a consequence of accepting the grant funds.

Adjustment of Allocations to Give Effect to this Act from July 1, 2015
Section 33.3A.
The appropriations and authorizations to allocate and spend funds set out in S.L. 2015-133, S.L. 2015-184, and S.L. 2015-233 expire when this act becomes law. At such time, this act governs appropriations and expenditures. When this act becomes law, the Director of the Budget shall adjust allocations to give effect to this act from July 1, 2015.

GRANTS & FEES

Other Receipts from Pending Grant Awards
Section 5.1A
Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-6-4, State agencies may, with approval of the Director of the Budget, spend funds received from grants awarded subsequent to the enactment of this act for grant awards that are for less than two million five hundred thousand dollars ($2,500,000), do not require State matching funds, and will not be used for a capital project. State agencies shall report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations within 30 days of receipt of such funds. State agencies may spend all other funds from grants awarded after the enactment of this act only with approval of the Director of the Budget and after consultation with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. Agencies will continue to send all grant awards information to OSBM using http://www.osbm.state.nc.us/files/forms/grants_osbm_2015-16.xls and OSBM will report or consult with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations depending on the level of the grant award.

Establishing or Increasing Fees Pursuant to this Act
Section 6.2
This section specifies that an agency is not required to consult with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations prior to establishing or increasing a fee that is authorized or anticipated in House Bill 97. Notwithstanding G.S.150B-21.1A (a), an agency may adopt an emergency rule in accordance with G.S.150B-21.1A to establish or increase a fee as authorized by House Bill 200 if the adoption of a rule would otherwise be required under Article 2A of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes.

Clarify the Consultation Requirement Before the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations when a State Agency Establishes or Increases a Fee or Charge
Section 6.18
Clarifies G.S. 12-3.1(a) – Where a rule provides for a periodic automatic adjustment to a fee, the agency that adopts the rule is not required to consult with the Commission every time the fee automatically adjusts.

BUDGET MANAGEMENT, ALIGNMENT, AND REPORTING

State Agencies/Reports on Legislative Liaisons and Salary Information
Section 6.4
By January 1, 2016, the Office of State Budget and Management shall report to the chairs of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, the chairs of the Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee, and the Fiscal Research Division, certain information on legislative liaisons and public information officers, and use of lapsed salary and salary reserve, for each Department or Commission.

(1) Legislative liaisons. -

a. The number of legislative liaisons designated by each Department or Commission.
b. For each individual, the position name, position number, salary, the amount of time spent lobbying legislators or legislative employees for legislative action, and whether lobbying is the individual's principal duty such that the individual is required to file a registration statement with the Secretary of State.

c. An explanation of why each legislative liaison is needed.
d. A description of any other responsibilities or duties performed by each legislative liaison.

(2) Public Information Officer (PIO) and staff reporting to PIO. -

1) The number of individuals designated by the Department or Commission to serve as a Public Information Officer and the number of staff reporting to each PIO.
2) For each individual, the position name, position number, and salary.
3) The duties and responsibilities of each individual in his or her role as a Public Information Officer or staff to a PIO.
4) An explanation of why each Public Information Officer and staff to each PIO is needed.

(3) Salary reserve and lapsed salaries. -

a. The amount of salary reserve, by source, remaining in each fund code on June 30 of fiscal year 2013-2014 and fiscal year 2014-2015.
b. The amount of lapsed salaries generated in fiscal year 2013-2014 and fiscal year 2014-2015.
c. The Department's or Commission's policy on the use of salary reserve and lapsed salaries.

Regarding the reporting requirements for liaisons and PIOs, OSBM will be working with the Office of State Human Resources (OSHR). In anticipation of submissions to OSHR and OSBM, agencies should begin gathering information in preparation for the December 1, 2015; additional information will be forthcoming.

Regarding salary reserve and lapsed salaries, please provide the information required in (a) and (b) to your OSBM analyst by December 1, 2015. OSBM will be providing further guidance on item (c) in conjunction with guidance on HB 97 Section 6.42 (Align Agency Budgets to Actual Expenditures), as updates to OSBM policy may impact agency policies on this as well.

Align Agency Budgets to Actual Expenditures
Section 6.25
Follows a memo sent by OSBM in May 2015 on the elimination of positions that have been vacant for more than 12 months and the realignment of funds to recurring obligations that have been funded with nonrecurring sources in prior years. The legislative directive exempts vacant positions within the Department of Transportation, and three vacancies reclassified in the Department of Administration to be reassigned to the Office of State Human Resources for worker’s compensation (Section 20.18(e)). A separate OSBM memo will provide additional guidance on implementing this Section.

Cap State Funded Portion of Nonprofit Salaries
Section 6.26
No more than one hundred twenty thousand dollars ($120,000) in State funds may be used for the annual salary of any individual employee of a nonprofit organization receiving State funds. For the purposes of this section, the term "State funds" means funds as defined in G.S. 143C-1-1(d)(25) and any interest earnings that accrue from those funds.

Governmental Budgetary Transparency/Expenditures Online
Section 7.17; Conference Report Page L-2, Item #13
In coordination with the State Controller and the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM), the State CIO shall establish a State budget transparency Internet Website to provide information on budget expenditures for each State agency for each fiscal year beginning 2015-2016. In addition, the State CIO shall coordinate with counties, cities, and local education agencies to facilitate the posting of their

respective local entity budgetary and spending data on their respective Internet Websites and to provide the data to the Local Government Commission (LGC) to be published, in a standardized format, on the State budget transparency Internet Website. These Internet Websites shall be fully functional by April 1, 2016.

OSBM will work with the State CIO and the State Controller to obtain technology and provide data for the new State of North Carolina transparency website. Major steps will include:

- a competitive bidding process seeking vendor solutions for the new transparency initiative
- development of branding for the new transparency website
- coordination with stakeholder agencies who will provide data for the transparency solution
- implementation of adopted technology solution

The process will include review and acceptance testing from stakeholder agencies who provide data for the transparency website. OSBM will consult with agencies to ensure that data is displayed completely, accurately, and that no sensitive information will be transmitted. OSBM will provide regular updates to agencies on the implementation of the initiative, including demos and examples of how data will be displayed. Agencies will be informed in advance of any data that will be made available on the new transparency site and will be given the opportunity to preview the site before it goes live to the public.

Study Transition to Rent-Based Model for State-Owned Facilities
Section 23.3
OSBM is responsible for completing a study on charging State agencies rent to cover the cost of facility management, maintenance, and related costs that are attributable to those agencies. The study shall examine all of the following:

1) Making receipt-supported all Department of Administration functions that support the management and maintenance of State-owned facilities.
2) An appropriate rate to charge agencies for facility management, maintenance, and related costs, and the basis for determining that rate.
3) Logistical, legal, and budgetary matters that would need to be resolved before the rent-based model could be implemented.
4) The desirability of using proceeds from lease payments for financing future building repairs and needs of the State. Any analysis involving the securitizing funds shall be undertaken in consultation with the State Treasurer.
5) Any other matter the Office of State Budget and Management deems relevant.

OSBM shall report the results of the study to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government no later than March 1, 2016.

Stop Fraud and Abuse of Taxpayer Dollars
Section 25.1, as amended by HB 259, Section 7.4
Amends G.S. 143-746 regarding reporting fraudulent activity. If an internal audit conducted pursuant to this section results in a finding that a private person or entity has received public funds as a result of fraud, misrepresentation, or other deceptive acts or practices while doing business with the State agency, the internal auditor shall submit a detailed written report of the finding, and any additional necessary supporting documentation, to the State Purchasing Officer. A report submitted under this subsection may include a recommendation that the private person or entity be debarred from doing business with the State or a political subdivision thereof.

If an audit undertaken by the Auditor results in a finding that a private person or entity has received public funds as a result of fraud, misrepresentation, or other deceptive acts or practices while doing business with the State or a political subdivision thereof, the Auditor shall submit a detailed written report of the finding, and any additional necessary supporting documentation, to the State Purchasing Officer or the appropriate political subdivision official, as applicable. A report submitted under this subsection may include a recommendation that the private person or entity be debarred from doing business with the State or a political subdivision thereof.

This section becomes effective October 1, 2015, and the requirement to submit a report applies to audits conducted or undertaken on or after that date. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as prohibiting the State Auditor or an internal auditor from submitting a report detailing fraud, misrepresentation, or other deceptive acts or practices found during an audit conducted prior to the effective date of this section.

Personal Services Contracts/Temporary Solutions
Section 26.2
This section requires that personal services contracts for executive branch agencies be subject to the same requirements and procedures as service contracts. Personal services contract is defined as a contract for services provided by a professional individual as an independent contractor on a temporary or occasional basis, but does not include the engagement of experts or expert witnesses who are to be involved in the planning, prosecution, or defense of any litigation, by the Department of Justice, the Governor, State agencies, or institutions. For the purposes of this section, “State agency” means a unit of the executive branch of State government, such as a department, an institution, a division, a commission, a board, or a council, regardless of whether or not the agency is part of the Council of State.

Non-information technology personal services contracts shall be subject to the same requirements and procedures as service contracts. The Department of Administration shall adopt rules consistent with this section. Information technology personal services contracts shall be subject to the same requirements and procedures as information technology service contracts and require written approval from the Department of Information Technology and the Office of State Budget and Management. Personal services contracts currently in effect shall be allowed to expire in accordance with the terms of the contract. Any contract that can be terminated at any time shall be reviewed within 60 days and shall only be continued if the contract complies with the requirement established in this section.

For temporary employment needs that are not information technology-related, all State agencies shall employ temporary employees through the Temporary Solutions Program administered by the Office of State Human Resources (OSHR). The Director of OSHR has sole discretion to permit exceptions to this requirement when doing so would be in the best interests of the State. Exceptions must be obtained in writing. OSHR will monitor the use of temporary employees and report biannually to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government and to the Fiscal Research Division on agency compliance with this section and associated policies and rules.

The reporting requirements of G.S. 143-64.70 are repealed. Agencies are no longer required to report annually to the Office of State Budget and Management and the Office of State Human Resources on utilization of personal services.

State Workers’ Compensation Reform
Section 30.18; Conference Report Page L-1, Item #6
The Director of the Budget shall establish a statewide reserve in the amount of $23,500,543 for State agency workers' compensation costs. For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, $2,000,000 shall be used for the

closure of existing workers' compensation claims paid through the Office of State Controller. In addition, 50% of any funds remaining from the appropriations set forth in Section 2.1 of this act for legislatively mandated salary increases, compensation bonuses, and employee benefits shall be credited to the reserve for this purpose.

The remaining direct appropriation, $21.5M, will be distributed to state agencies. By November 16, 2015, OSBM analysts will notify their assigned agencies of their workers' compensation allocation from the statewide reserve. Each agency will prepare a Type-11 budget revision requesting the allocation from statewide budget code 19048. Agency budget revisions should be completed and submitted to OSBM by December 7, 2015. Each agency will budget the additional workers' compensation funding, along with any existing dedicated funding, in the proper workers' compensation account line items. Agencies will not be allowed to move funding out of the workers' compensation accounts; however, agencies may increase these accounts with non-recurring resources within the agency's budget to address obligations that are greater than the certified budget.

The statewide distributions shall be based on a three year historical average of each agency's workers' compensation expenditures. State agencies shall further adjust these line items using receipts.

SALARIES & BENEFITS

Specific State Employee Salary Increases
Conference Report, Section L

The act appropriates funds for an experience-based step increase for State Highway Patrol (SHP) Troopers, effective January 1, 2016, and the salaries of all sworn members of the SHP and the starting pay for entry-level SHP positions are increased 3%, effective July 1, 2015. Additionally, funds are provided to begin implementation of custody-level pay for Correctional Officers, Custody Supervisors, and Prison Facility Administrators, no earlier than January 1, 2016. The act also appropriates funds for a market-based salary adjustment for Forensic Scientists employed in the State Crime Laboratory and for an experienced-based step increase for Assistant Clerks, Deputy Clerks, and Magistrates, all effective January 1, 2016. These amounts are reflected in the Conference Report under the specific agencies' sections.

Governor and Council of State
Section 30.1

The act sets the salaries for the Governor and Council of State. The act directs the Office of State Human Resources to study the compensation of the Council of State, with certain requirements, and report to the chairs of the Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee and the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee by May 1, 2016.

Use of Funds Appropriated for Legislatively Mandated Salary Increases, Compensation Bonuses, and Employee Benefits and Closure of Workers' Compensation Claims
Section 30.10

The appropriations set forth in the act include certain employee salary and benefit adjustments at the agency level, instead of placing them in a statewide reserve. At the beginning of each agency's individual Conference report section, you will find reserves for salaries and benefits displaying each agency's appropriated Compensation, State Retirement Contributions, and State Health Plan adjustments.

To meet the obligations of section 30.10.(b), agencies should certify their salary and benefit adjustments within the appropriate state reserve account listed below:

Statewide NCAS Accounts:

- 537202 Reserve - Compensation Bonus
- 537204 Reserve - Legislative Increase Compensation Reserve (Everything outside of Bonus and Statutory Step Increases)
- 537205 Reserve - Statutory Step Increase Reserve
- 537206 Reserve - State Retirement System Contributions
- 537208 Reserve – State Health Plan

At a later date, OSBM analysts will notify all agencies of their Compensation, Retirement Contributions, and State Health Plan allocations, which can be moved out of the statewide accounts via a Type-11 budget revision. Any reserve funding remaining will be moved back to a statewide budget code for possible redistribution to other agencies per Section 30.10.(b).

No later than March 1, 2016, OSBM must report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on the expenditure of funds for legislatively mandated salary increases, compensation bonuses, and employee benefits.

Monitor Salary Increases
Section 30.11
The Office of State Budget and Management and the Office of State Human Resources shall submit a semiannual report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations on nonlegislative salary increases in (i) State agencies, departments, and institutions, including authorities, boards, and commissions; (ii) the judicial branch; and (iii) The University of North Carolina and its constituent institutions. (The Legislative Services Officer shall report semiannually to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on nonlegislative salary increases.)

The reports required by this section shall include the following information:

1) For agencies reporting through the BEACON HR/Payroll system, (i) a breakdown by action type (including, but not limited to, promotion, reallocation, career progression, salary adjustment, and any similar actions increasing employee pay) of the number and annual amount of those increases and (ii) a breakdown by action reason (including in-range higher level, acting pay, trainee adjustment, and other similar action reasons) of the number and annual amount of those action types coded as salary adjustment.
2) For The University of North Carolina and its constituent institutions, a breakdown of the number and annual amount of those increases categorized by the University as promotions, changes in job duties or responsibilities, Distinguished Professorships, retention pay, career progression, and any other similar actions increasing employee pay.
3) A summary of actions taken by the Office of State Budget and Management and the Office of State Human Resources with respect to unauthorized salary increases.

Note: S.L. 2013-360, Section 35.8(b) required prior approval by the Office of State Budget and Management, The University of North Carolina Board of Governors, the Board of the North Carolina Community College System, the Legislative Services Commission, the local Board of Education, or other authorized body as appropriate for cumulative salary adjustments in excess of ten percent (10%) of annual salary. **This requirement is not continued in S.L. 2015-241.**

Salary Adjustment Fund
Section 30.12A; Conference Report Page L-1, Item #4
The sum of $25M is appropriated on an annualized basis to be used to adjust salaries for job classifications in response to changes in the labor market as documented through data collection and analysis. Section 30.12A provides further guidelines for the use of the Salary Adjustment Fund. Judicial Department employees are eligible for the Fund. UNC, Community College, and school employees are not eligible. Specific amounts are directed to be used towards the salary of the Secretary of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Director of the Transportation Museum. The Director of the Budget shall consult with the Joint Legislative Commission on Government Operations prior to transferring any salary adjustment funds for any State agency. No increases from the Fund shall be effective before January 1, 2016. OSHR and OSBM will provide further instructions to agencies in a joint memorandum.

OSHR Minimum of Market Adjustment
Conference Report Page L-1, Item #5
This section provides $12M in FY 2016-17 to implement a new market-aligned salary structure for State agencies to adjust salaries in State job classifications where employee pay is below market value. These salary adjustments are to be made based on OSHR analysis of the difference in current salary grades and new salary grades implemented during the compensation system update. Additional guidance from OSHR will be provided.

Extend Reorganization Through Reduction Authorization
Section 30.13
This section extends the sunset of the Reduction Through Reorganization program to June 30, 2017. Payments under the program shall be made from funds available within the reorganizing State agency.

Compensation Bonus Awarded for Fiscal Year 2015-2016
Section 30.18A, Pages 394-395
This section provides that anyone employed in a State-funded position on November 1, 2015, shall be awarded a one-time, lump-sum compensation bonus for the 2015-2016 fiscal year in the amount of $750, payable during the month of December 2015. The compensation bonus shall be adjusted pro rata for permanent part-time employees. The bonus is not part of the employee's annual salary. As indicated above, OSBM will notify agencies and universities of their compensation bonus allocations at a later date. Also, the State Controller's Office, OSHR, and OSBM will provide additional guidance regarding administration of the bonus payments in a separate communication.

Salary-Related Contributions/Employer
Section 30.20.(b)
The General Assembly adopted revised employer contribution rates for the various components of the Retirement System for the 2015-17 fiscal biennium. They are as follows:

	FY 2015-17
Teachers and State Employees	15.32%
Law Enforcement Officers	20.32%
University Employees Optional Retirement	12.85%
Community College Optional Retirement	12.85%
Consolidated Judicial Retirement	32.81%
Legislative Retirement	7.40%

Section 30.20.(c)
Effective July 1, 2015, the maximum annual employer contributions, payable monthly, by the State for each covered employee or retiree for the 2015-2016 fiscal year are as listed below.

	FY 2015-16
Medicare Eligible Employees and Retirees	$4,251
Non-Medicare Eligible Employees and Retirees	$5,471

As indicated above, OSBM will notify agencies and universities of their Retirement Contribution and State Health Plan allocations in a separate communication.

Repeal Provision on Use of Automatic Scoring/Screening of State Government Employment Applications
HB 259 Section 26.1A repeals Section 22A.1 of S.L. 2014-100.

EMERGENCY AND DISASTER FUNDING

Contingency and Emergency Fund Limitation
Section 6.1
For the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium, funds appropriated to the Contingency and Emergency Fund may be used only for the following purposes: (1) by a court or Industrial Commission order, (2) to respond to events as authorized under G.S. 166A-19.40(a) of the North Carolina Emergency Management Act, (3) by the State Treasurer to pay death benefits as authorized under Article 12A of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes, (4) by the Office of the Governor for crime rewards in accordance with G.S. 15-53 and G.S. 15-53.1, (5) by the Industrial Commission for supplemental awards of compensation, or (6) by the Department of Justice for legal fees.

Emergency and Disaster Response Funding Changes
Section 6.19(a)
This section reorganizes statute and clarifies the use of Contingency and Emergency Funds by amending G.S. 166A-19.40. In addition to previous language in (1) and (2) below, adds new (3) and (4):

The Governor may reallocate such other funds as may reasonably be available within the appropriations of the various departments when all of the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) The severity and magnitude of the emergency so requires.

(2) Contingency and emergency funds are insufficient or inappropriate.

(3) A state of emergency has been declared pursuant to G.S. 166A-19.20(a).

(4) Funds in the State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund are insufficient.

Section 6.19(b)
This section renames the “State Emergency Response Account” the “State Emergency Response and Disaster Relief Fund” and expands its use to include providing relief and assistance in accordance with G.S. 166A-19.41 (State emergency assistance funds) from the effects of an emergency.

SAVINGS RESERVE

LRC Study on Methods for Increasing Transfers to the Savings Reserve Account
Section 6.21
This section directs the Legislative Research Commission (LRC) to study methods for increasing the amount of funds transferred to the Savings Reserve Account and to report its findings, together with any

proposed legislation, to the 2016 Regular Session of the 2015 General Assembly upon its convening. As part of its study, the LRC shall do all of the following:

1) Examine potential costs and benefits of requiring one or more of the following to be transferred periodically to the Savings Reserve Account:
   a. Growth in General Fund revenue in excess of a benchmark growth rate.
   b. A particular percentage or dollar amount of General Fund revenue each fiscal year.
   c. Some portion of growth in the sources of revenue identified pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection each fiscal year.
   d. Interest earned on special funds.
2) Identify specific sources of State revenue that are especially volatile.
3) Consider how the timing of transfers to the Savings Reserve Account affects the amount transferred and the stability of the General Fund.
4) Determine the appropriate target balance of the Savings Reserve Account, if different from the goal set forth in G.S. 143C-4-2.
5) Any other matters the Commission deems relevant to its efforts to increase the amount of funds in the Savings Reserve Account.

Require Transfer of Savings from the Refinancing of Certain State Debt to be Transferred to the Savings Reserve
Section 6.23
This section amends Article 1 of Chapter 142 of the General Statutes to direct that savings achieved during the biennium from the refinancing of general obligation bonds and special obligation bonds be placed in the Savings Reserve Account. In the next biennium, the Director of the Budget shall realign debt service payments in the base budget to reflect actual debt service needs. This section becomes effective July 1, 2017, and applies to indebtedness issued, incurred, or refinanced on or after that date.

CAPITAL

Capital Appropriations
Sections 31.1-31.4
These sections outline funding for specific capital projects and related requirements.

Repairs and Renovations Reserve Allocation
Sections 2.2(d) and 31.5
This section specifies the allocation of $150,000,000 for 2015-16 in funds appropriated for repairs and renovations of State buildings pursuant to G.S. 143C-4-3: (1) One-third shall be allocated to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina and (2) Two-thirds shall be allocated to the Office of State Budget and Management. Additional requirements are included for UNC allocations for fire sprinklers and campus safety. Of the funds allocated to OSBM, $9.5M shall be used for Legislative Building Roof Replacement and Asbestos Abatement.

In making campus allocations of funds allocated to the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina, the Board of Governors shall negatively weigh the availability of non-State resources and carryforward funds available for repair and renovations and shall include information about the manner in which this subsection was complied with in any report submitted pursuant to G.S. 143C-4-3(d).

OSBM and the Board of Governors shall consult with or report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, as appropriate, in accordance with G.S. 143C-4-3(d).

Procedures for Disbursement of Capital Funds
Section 31.6.
This section specifies that the appropriations made by the 2015 General Assembly for capital improvements shall be disbursed for the purposes provided by this act. Expenditure of funds shall not be made by any State department, institution, or agency until an allotment has been approved by the Governor as Director of the Budget. The allotment shall be approved only after full compliance with the State Budget Act, Chapter 143C of the General Statutes. Prior to the award of construction contracts for projects to be financed in whole or in part with self-liquidating appropriations, the Director of the Budget shall approve the elements of the method of financing of those projects, including the source of funds, interest rate, and liquidation period. Provided, however, that if the Director of the Budget approves the method of financing a project, the Director shall report that action to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations at its next meeting.

Where direct capital improvement appropriations include the purpose of furnishing fixed and movable equipment for any project, those funds for equipment shall not be subject to transfer into construction accounts except as authorized by the Director of the Budget. The expenditure of funds for fixed and movable equipment and furnishings shall be reviewed and approved by the Director of the Budget prior to commitment of funds.

Capital improvement projects authorized by the 2015 General Assembly shall be completed, including fixed and movable equipment and furnishings, within the limits of the amounts of the direct or self-liquidating appropriations provided, except as otherwise provided in this act. Capital improvement projects authorized by the 2015 General Assembly for the design phase only shall be designed within the scope of the project as defined by the approved cost estimate filed with the Director of the Budget, including costs associated with site preparation, demolition, and movable and fixed equipment.

Reporting on Capital Projects
Section 31.7
Definitions. – The following definitions apply in this section:

1) Capital project. – Any capital improvement, as that term is defined in G.S. 143C-1-1, that is not complete by the effective date of this section and that is funded in whole or in part with State funds, including receipts, non-General Fund sources, or statutorily or constitutionally authorized indebtedness of any kind. This term includes only projects with a total cost of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) or more.
2) Construction phase. – The status of a particular capital project as described using the terms customarily employed in the design and construction industries.
3) New capital project. – A capital project that is authorized in this act or subsequent to the effective date of this act.

Reporting. – The following reports are required:

1) By October 1, 2015, and every six months thereafter, each State agency shall report on the status of agency capital projects to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.
2) By October 1, 2015, and quarterly thereafter, each State agency shall report on the status of agency capital projects to the Fiscal Research Division of the General Assembly and to the Office of State Budget and Management.

The reports required by subsection (b) of this section shall include at least the following information about every agency capital project:

1) The current construction phase of the project.
2) The anticipated time line from the current construction phase to project completion.
3) Information about expenditures that have been made in connection with the project, regardless of source of the funds expended.
4) Information about the adequacy of funding to complete the project, including estimates of how final expenditures will relate to initial estimates of expenditures, and whether or not scope reductions will be necessary in order to complete the project within its budget.
5) For new capital projects only, an estimate of the operating costs for the project for the first five fiscal years of its operation.

In addition to the other reports required by this section, on October 1, 2015, and every six months thereafter, the Office of State Construction shall report on the status of the Facilities Condition Assessment Program (FCAP) to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations. The report shall include (i) summary information about the average length of time that passes between FCAP assessments for an average State building; (ii) detailed information about when the last FCAP assessment was for each State building complex; and (iii) detailed information about the condition and repairs and renovations needs of each State building complex.

In addition to the other reports required by this section, on October 1, 2015, and quarterly thereafter, the State Construction Office shall report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements on the status of plan review, approval, and permitting for each State capital improvement project and community college capital improvement project over which the Office exercises plan review, approval, and permitting authority. Each report shall include (i) summary information about the workload of the Office during the previous quarter, including information about the average length of time spent by the State Construction Office on each major function it performs that is related to capital project approval, and (ii) detailed information about the amount of time spent engaged in those functions for each project that the State Construction Office worked on during the previous quarter.

Create Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements
Section 31.16

This section amends G.S. 120 by creating the 16-member Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Capital Improvements. The Committee shall have the power to do all of the following:

- Examine, on a continuing basis, capital improvements requested by, authorized for, and undertaken by or on behalf of State agencies.
- Have oversight over implementation of the six-year capital improvements plan developed pursuant to G.S. 143C-8-5.
- Make recommendations to the General Assembly on ways to improve the planning, financing, design, construction, and maintenance of State capital improvements.
- Make reports and recommendations to the General Assembly regarding which capital improvements requested by State agencies should be authorized and how they should be funded.
- Examine any other topic the Committee believes to be related to its purpose.

State Agency Capital Improvement Special Provisions

Plan for relocating all DHHS offices to one location
Section 31.10

This section requires the Department of Health and Human Services, in consultation with the Department of Administration, to develop a plan for relocating the administrative personnel and resources of the Department of Health and Human Services that are located on the Dorothea Dix campus and on other property leased or owned by the State in the Greater Triangle area (consisting of Durham, Orange, Johnston, and Wake counties) to one site available to the State. The relocation plan shall not include personnel or resources whose primary responsibilities include providing services directly to the public in the Greater Triangle Area. DHHS shall report the plan to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services and the Fiscal Research Division by the earlier of October 1, 2016, or six months prior to the date on which the Department is required to move some of all of its personnel and resources from the Dorothea Dix campus under the terms of an agreement between the State and the City of Raleigh. Also, neither DHHS nor DOA shall enter into any lease or other agreement to move the personnel or resources of the DHHS that currently reside on the Dorothea Dix campus or on other property leased or owned by the State in the Greater Triangle area to another site until specifically authorized to do so by the General Assembly.

Modify Special Indebtedness Provisions
Section 31.11

This section modifies G.S. 143-128.1C, Public-Private partnership contracts, by revising the calculation used to determine if the private developer is providing the required minimum fifty percent (50%) of the total financing costs of the project.

Authorize State Agencies to Undertake Small Repairs and Renovations Projects with Funds Available
Section 31.14

State agencies may undertake projects that do not exceed $300,000 so long as the project meets the definition of a repair and renovation project as defined in G.S. 143C-4-3(b). The source of funds for these projects shall be funds available to the agency. Any project approved pursuant to this section shall be reported to the Fiscal Research Division on a quarterly basis.

University Capital Improvement Special Provisions

Require Non-General Fund Resources to be Used for Advance Planning of University Capital Project
Section 31.9, as amended by HB 259, Sec. 9.3

Modifies G.S. 143C-3-3 to include the requirement that the University of North Carolina shall not make a capital funds request proposing to construct a new facility, expand the building area (square feet) of an existing facility, or rehabilitate an existing facility to accommodate new or expanded uses unless the University has completed advance planning through schematic design of the project with funds other than General Fund appropriations. For purposes of this subdivision, "funds other than General Fund appropriations" includes funds carried forward from one fiscal year to another pursuant to G.S. 116-30.3 and G.S. 116-30.3B.

Debt Affordability Study for the University of North Carolina
Section 31.13

This section amends G.S. 116D to promote sound debt management at the University of North Carolina by adding a new article requiring each constituent institution of the University of North Carolina to conduct an annual debt affordability study, by requiring the establishment of guidelines for maintaining

prudent debt levels, and by establishing a system for prioritizing University capital needs when the needs exceed the University's capacity for new debt.

This section also requires the UNC Board of Governors to report on an annual basis to the Governor and the General Assembly the estimated debt capacity of The University of North Carolina for the upcoming five fiscal years. The UNC Board of Governors shall also oversee an annual debt affordability study.

Also, each constituent institution of the University of North Carolina shall report to the Board of Governors by no later than November 1st of each year, its current and anticipated debt levels.

UNC Carryforward/Temporary Increase Ending July 1, 2017/Must be Used for Repairs and Renovations
Section 31.17
This section temporarily increases the amount eligible to be carried forward in each budget code under G.S. 116-30.3(a) on June 30, 2016, to a maximum of five percent (5%) of the General Fund appropriation in that budget code. However, any amount carried forward in a budget code in excess of two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the General Fund appropriation in that budget code shall be used only for: (1) projects that are eligible to receive funds from the Reserve for Repairs and Renovations under G.S. 143C-4-3(b), or (2) for advance planning of capital improvement projects.

The Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina shall submit the following reports to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division on the allocation and use of funds accruing from the temporary increase in the carryforward provided in this section:

1) A report on expenditures for repairs and renovations no later than October 1, 2017.
2) A report on any expenditures for advance planning no later than 30 days after the funds are spent.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Information Technology Internal Service Fund Rates
Section 7.2(b)
Directs the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) to establish and manage a separate account to maintain 2015-16 receipts in excess of requirements, for the purpose of offsetting agency budget shortfalls and the Department of Information Technology (DIT) Internal Service Fund shortfalls.

For the 2015-16 fiscal year, OSBM will work with the Department of Information Technology to assess agency budget shortfalls due to rate change, at midyear (January) and the beginning of the fourth quarter (April), and address any shortfalls with receipts in excess of requirements. OSBM will also work with DIT to offset any Internal Service Fund budget shortfalls with receipts in excess of requirements.

Information Technology Enterprise Architecture
Section 7.4
The Department of Information Technology (DIT) will develop an information technology enterprise architecture for State government by April 15, 2016. This architecture, along with State and agency plans, shall be incorporated into a biennial State Information Technology Plan (State IT Plan).

Data Centers/Consolidation
Section 7.9
The State Chief Information Officer (CIO) shall create an inventory of data center operations in the executive branch and develop and implement a detailed plan for consolidation of agency data centers.

Going forward, State agencies shall use the State infrastructure to host their projects, services, data, and applications, unless the State CIO grants an exception for any of the following:

1) Using an outside contractor would be more cost effective for the State.
2) DIT does not have the technical capabilities required to host the application.
3) Valid security requirements preclude the use of State infrastructure, and a vendor can provide a more secure environment.

A report is due May 1, 2016, on the number of physical servers eliminated across all departments as a result of data center consolidation and the savings associated with such elimination.

This section does not apply to any agency exempt under G.S. 143B-1300(b).

Electronic Forms and Digital Signatures
Section 7.13
The State CIO shall implement a digital forms program for State agencies that enables electronic review, submission, maintenance, or disclosure of information as a substitute for paper documents and forms. This program shall be developed in consultation with participating agencies. If practicable, this program shall be made available to all State agencies, departments, and institutions; local political subdivisions of the State; The University of North Carolina and its constituent institutions; community colleges; and local school administrative units.

The State CIO shall provide a completed plan by January 1, 2016 to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology.

Economic Modeling Initiative
Section 7.14
The Board of Governors of UNC-Charlotte will receive $500,000 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year and $500,000 for the 2016-2017 fiscal year to develop and implement an economic modeling capability to facilitate the efforts of State agencies working to create economic development and growth opportunities for the State.

Enterprise Resource Planning
Section 7.22
In coordination with the Office of the State Controller (OSC) and the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM), the Department of Information Technology (DIT) shall establish a program to plan, develop, and implement an enterprise resource planning (ERP) system for the State. During the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the DIT will issue a request for information and coordinate demonstrations to determine available options for the ERP system development and implementation. During the 2016-2017 fiscal year, subject to the availability of funding, the DIT shall issue requests for proposal to begin the development and implementation of an ERP system.

State Broadband Plan
Section 7.23
The State CIO shall develop a State broadband plan that includes:

1) Information on the availability and functionality of broadband throughout the State.
2) A strategy to support the affordability of broadband service.
3) Analysis of means, methods, and best practices to establish broadband access across the State.

In developing the State broadband plan, the State CIO shall coordinate with other State agencies in order to maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of available resources.

State Portal/Economic Development/Business Website Plan
Section 7.24
In coordination with appropriate State agencies, departments, and institutions as part of the State portal planning and development, the State CIO shall develop and implement a plan to establish an Internet Web site for businesses operating, or considering operating, within North Carolina. This plan is due to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology on or before March 1, 2016.

Agency Use of Enterprise Active Directory
Section 7.25
On or before July 1, 2016, unless exempted by the Governor, all State agencies identified as principal departments under G.S. 143B-6 shall become direct members of and use the Enterprise Active Directory. A principal department may submit to the State CIO a written request to deviate from certain requirements of the Enterprise Active Directory, provided that any deviation shall be consistent with available funding and shall be subject to any terms and conditions specified by the State CIO.

Study State Agency Use of Utility-Based Computing
Section 7.26
The Department of Information Technology (DIT) shall study the use of and cost savings associated with the adoption of utility-based cloud computing services by State agencies. For the purposes of this section, "utility-based computing" means the process of providing computing service through an on-demand, pay-per-use billing method, metering the offered services. The State CIO will report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology on the results on or before April 1, 2016.

State Funded IT Contracts
Section 7.27
For all information technology contracts that receive any State funds, State agencies and vendors shall immediately provide copies of contract documents and any subsequent amendments, modifications, or other changes upon request of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology or the Fiscal Research Division.

Establish Department of Information Technology
Section 7A.1 (a)
The Department of Information Technology is established in this Part as a single, unified cabinet-level department that consolidates information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services existing within the principal departments. Notwithstanding G.S. 143B-9 and G.S. 143B-10, and except as otherwise provided in this act, all information technology functions, powers, duties, obligations, and services vested in the State entities listed in G.S. 143B-6 are transferred to, vested in, and consolidated within the Department of Information Technology. The head of the Department of Information Technology is the State Chief Information Officer, who shall be known as the State CIO. The powers and duties of the deputy chief information officers, directors, and divisions of the Department shall be subject to the direction and control of the State CIO.

Section 7A.2 (b)
- Organization. – The Department shall be organized by the State CIO into divisions and units that support its duties.
- Education Community of Practice. – There is established an Education Community of Practice to promote collaboration and create efficiencies between and among The University of North Carolina

and its constituent institutions, the North Carolina Community Colleges System Office, the constituent institutions of the Community College System, the Department of Public Instruction, and local school administrative units.

- Transition Period. – During the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the State CIO shall work with appropriate State agencies to develop a State business plan. The State CIO shall develop documentation to support the consolidation of enterprise information technology functions within the executive branch to include the following:
    1) Information technology architecture.
    2) Updated State information technology strategic plan that reflects State and agency business plans and the State information technology architecture.
    3) Information technology funding process to include standardized, transparent rates that reflect market costs for information technology requirements.
    4) Information technology personnel management.
    5) Information technology project management.
    6) Information technology procurement.
    7) Hardware configuration and management.
    8) Software acquisition and management.
    9) Data center operations.
    10) Network operations.
    11) System and data security, including disaster recovery.

- Phased Transitions. – The State CIO shall develop detailed plans for the phased transition of participating agencies to the Department, as well as a plan that defines in detail how information technology support shall be provided to agencies that are not participating agencies. These plans shall be coordinated, in writing, with each agency and shall address any issues unique to a specific agency.

- Participating Agencies. – The State CIO shall prepare detailed plans to transition each of the participating agencies. As the transition plans are completed, the following participating agencies shall transfer information technology personnel, operations, projects, assets, and appropriate funding to the Department of Information Technology:

    1) Department of Cultural Resources.
    2) Department of Health and Human Services.
    3) Department of Revenue.
    4) Department of Environment and Natural Resources.
    5) Department of Transportation.
    6) Department of Administration.
    7) Department of Commerce.
    8) Governor's Office.
    9) Office of State Budget and Management.
    10) Office of State Human Resources.
    11) Office of the State Controller.
    12) Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

  The State CIO shall ensure that agencies' operations are not adversely impacted during the transition.

- Report on Transition Planning. – The Department of Public Safety, the Community College System Office, and the State Board of Elections shall work with the State CIO to plan their transition to the Department. By October 1, 2018, these agencies, in conjunction with the State CIO, shall report to the

Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Information Technology and the Fiscal Research Division on their respective transition plans.

- Agencies may transition their information technology to the Department following completion of a transition plan.

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Chapter 3:
Enacted Legislation

I. Enacted Legislation Related to DPS
II. Enacted Legislation **Not** Related to DPS

I. Enacted Legislation Related to the Department of Public Safety

Session Law	Title	Bill	
SL 2015-163	**AUTOCYCLE DEFINITION AND REGULATION.** An act to define and regulate autocycles.	H6	
SL 2015-233	**CONTINUING BUDGET AUTHORITY.** An act authorizing the director of the budget to continue expenditures for the operation of government at the level in effect on June 30, 2015, until September 18, 2015.	H18	
SL 2015-152	**LABOR/UP AMUSEMENT DEVICE PENALTIES.** An act to increase the penalties for the illegal operation of amusement devices and to direct the department of labor to study the regulation of the operation of zip-lines.	H39	(= S75)
SL 2015-156	**CERTAIN COUNTIES SHERIFF/FOOD PURCHASES.** An act providing that a county sheriff's office may contract for the purchase of food and supplies for the county's detention facility without being subject to the requirements of certain state purchase and contract laws.	H58	
SL 2015-173	**CLARIFY REPORT ADMISSIBILITY.** An act to clarify the admissibility of reports of forensic and chemical analysis and to exempt certain ex parte hearings from reporting requirements.	H59	
SL 2015-25	**CONTEMPT FOR 50C/SCOPE OF STAY FOR APPEALS.** An act amending the laws pertaining to civil no-contact orders to clarify that a knowing violation of a civil no-contact order is punishable by civil or criminal contempt and clarifying the scope of stay on proceedings when a case is on appeal.	H79	
SL 2015-43	**EXECUTION/NONSECURE CUSTODY ORDER/CHILD ABUSE.** An act clarifying the manner in which a law enforcement officer may take custody of a juvenile when executing a nonsecure custody order under the laws pertaining to abuse, neglect, and dependency.	H82	
SL 2015-16	**STUDY MISUSE OF HANDICAPPED PARKING PLACARDS.** An act to direct the Division of Motor Vehicles to study ways to decrease the misuse of windshield placards issued to handicapped persons.	H91	
SL 2015-241	**2015 APPROPRIATIONS ACT.** An act to make base budget appropriations for current operations of state departments, institutions, and agencies, and for other purposes.	H97	
SL 2015-26	**UTILITY VEHICLES/MOVE-OVER CHANGES.** An act to authorize law enforcement officers, emergency personnel, and municipal and county employees to operate utility vehicles on some public highways and to modify the move-over law to include vehicles being used in the collection of refuse, solid waste, or recycling.	H102	
SL 2015-44	**PROTECT OUR STUDENTS ACT.** An act to protect North Carolina's students by increasing the criminal penalty for the commission of certain sex offenses committed against a student by a person who is school personnel and to establish a procedure for institutions of higher education to obtain a list of students and employees at the institution who are registered as sex offenders.	H113	
SL 2015-259	**NC COMPETES ACT.** An act to enact the North Carolina Competes act.	H117	
SL 2015-20	**DAVIE COUNTY/FOOD FOR DETENTION FACILITIES.** An act authorizing Davie county to contract with the local board of education for the provision of meals to inmates in the county detention facility.	H130	
SL 2015-183	**SOLICITING PROSTITUTION/IMMUNITY FOR MINORS.** An act to provide that a minor who is soliciting as a prostitute is immune from prosecution for the offense of solicitation of prostitution.	H134	
SL 2015-125	**INSURANCE REQUIRED FOR MOPEDS.** An act to require owners of mopeds to have in full force and effect a policy of financial responsibility and to make clarifying changes related to the law requiring the registration of mopeds.	H148	
SL 2015-112	**LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN STATE HEALTH PLAN.** An act to authorize units of local government to enroll their employees and dependents in the state health plan for teachers and state employees, and to authorize pioneer springs community school to elect to participate in the state health plan for teachers and state employees.	H154	(= S98)
SL 2015-1	**AMEND ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS.** An act to amend various environmental laws.	H157	
SL 2015-99	**CAPTIVE INSURANCE AMENDMENTS.** An act to make various clarifying and technical changes to the North Carolina captive insurance act.	H163	

Session Law	Title	Bill	
SL 2015-247	**OMNIBUS CRIMINAL LAW BILL.** An act to amend various criminal laws for the purpose of improving trial court efficiency.	H173	
SL 2015-178	**LANDLORD/TENANT-FORECLOSURE & EVICT. CHANGES.** An act to amend and enhance certain notice requirements and protections for tenants of real properties in foreclosure and to allow for purchasers of real property under option contracts to pursue monetary damages separately from summary ejectment proceedings and other amendments to the homebuyer protection act.	H174	
SL 2015-218	**CHANGE DCR PROCESS FOR UNCLAIMED PROPERTY.** An act to allow the Department of Cultural Resources, Office of Archives And History, to use the net proceeds of the sale of artifacts for maintenance or conservation of other artifacts; to clarify the process for transferring title of unclaimed or undocumented property loaned to museums and historical repositories to those museums and historical repositories; to set a time limitation on confidentiality of records; to clarify that photographs and video recordings of derelict vessels or shipwrecks are public records when in the custody of North Carolina agencies; and to provide that certain merchandise credits are not deemed abandoned property.	H184	
SL 2015-100	**STATE HEALTH PLAN MODIFICATIONS.** An act to make modifications to the state health plan for public employees.	H190	
SL 2015-27	**Allow Substitution of Biosimilars.** An act amending the North Carolina pharmacy practice act to allow for the substitution of an interchangeable biological product.	H195	(= S197)
SL 2015-174	**CERTAIN CITIES/DONATE SERVICE ANIMALS.** An act to amend the charter of the city of Raleigh and the cities and towns in Mecklenburg county to allow the city to donate retired animals used by the police department or any other city agency to the police officer or employee who had normal custody and control of the animal.	H199	
SL 2015-289	**PROCEDURE FOR WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL.** An act to establish procedure for waiver of the right to a jury trial in criminal cases in superior court.	H215	
SL 2015-40	**AOC OMNIBUS CHANGES.** An act to amend various laws affecting the administrative office of the courts.	H224	(= S270)
SL 2015-185	**CHURCH TAX EXEMPTION/DRIVING PRIVILEGES.** An act to modify the exemption for real property used for religious purposes and to authorize the holder of a limited driving privilege to drive to and from the person's place of religious worship.	H229	
SL 2015-45	**STUDY/UPDATE BICYCLE SAFETY LAWS.** An act to direct the Department of Transportation to study the bicycle safety laws in this state and make recommendations as to how the laws may be revised to better ensure the safety of bicyclists and motorists on the roadways	H232	
SL 2015-254	**PROTECT NATIONAL GUARD REEMPLOYMENT RIGHTS.** An act to extend National Guard reemployment rights to members of the national guards of other states.	H254	(= S280)
SL 2015-145	**BUILDING CODE REG. REFORM.** An act to reform building code enforcement to promote economic growth by conforming work in progress inspection authority to recently enacted inspection limitations, by requiring the building code council to study the alternate methods approval process, by clarifying the definition of official misconduct for code officials, by raising the threshold for requirement of a building permit, by creating the building code council residential code committee and the building code committee, by requiring internet posting of certain council decisions and interpretations, by clarifying that inspection fees collected by cities and counties may only be used to support the inspection department, by requiring that inspections be performed in full and in a timely manner and inspection reports include all items failing to meet code requirements, by authorizing inspections of components or elements of buildings certified by licensed architects or licensed engineers, and by exempting certain commercial building projects from the requirement of a professional seal.	H255	(= S324)

Session Law	Title	Bill
SL 2015-268	**GENERAL GOVERNMENT TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.** An act making technical, conforming, and other modifications to the Current Operations and Capital Improvements Appropriations Act of 2015. Some of those changes include; rewriting Section 7.3(a) of 2015-241 to provide $288,474 in 2015-16 for the Law Enforcement Information Exchange. GDAC is funded at $8,100,000 for each year of the biennium, transferring DIT senior management positions are from the IT Internal Service Fund to the IT Reserve Fund, transferring $762,115 to fund development of enterprise electronic forms and digital signatures, requiring the SCIO to prepare a detailed plan to transition participating agencies. AS the plans are completed, the agencies shall transfer IT personnel, operations, projects, assets, and funding to DIT, revising §7.9 (d) of SL 2015-241 to clarify this section does not apply to any agency exempt under GS §143B-1300(b), amending §143B-1312(e) to provide that any new positions established by DIT shall be exempt from the NC Human Resources Act; however, non-exempt employees transferring from participating agencies to DIT shall not become exempt solely by virtue of the transfer, authorizing SCIO approval authority over all agency web site funding, to include any agency contract decisions, amending Part XVI-A of 2015-241 to add Section 16A.11- relocation of State Capitol Police as a section within the Highway Patrol shall not affect the subject matter or territorial jurisdiction of such officers to the statutory increases provided in GS §20-1873, amending section 31.8(c) of SL 2015-241 to require the sum of $250,000 appropriated for armory and facility development projects in 2015-16 shall be used for planning and construction of a NC National Guard facility located within 10 miles of the 420 acres The department shall consult with NCNG in the design and site selection of the facility. Funds allocated shall not revert at the end of the FY, but shall be retained by the Department until the facility is completed or June 30, 2020, whichever occurs first.	H259
SL 2015-231	**AMEND TRANSPORTATION LAWS.** An act to make various changes to the transportation laws of the state.	H268
SL 2015-254	**Appointments Bill 2015.** An act to appoint persons to various public offices upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the Senate.	H272
SL 2015-150	**CLARIFY COND. DISCHARGE LAW/NO DWI EXPUNGE.** An act to clarify that the provisions regarding deferred prosecution and conditional discharge for convictions of h and I felonies and misdemeanors under structured sentencing do not apply to convictions of impaired driving, to clarify that offenses involving impaired driving cannot be expunged, and to modify the law concerning when a new sentencing hearing must be held in district court on an implied consent conviction for which the appeal to superior court has been withdrawn.	H273
SL 2015-67	**RETIREMENT TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT OF 2015.** An act to enact the Retirement Technical Corrections Act of 2015	H274
SL 2015-168	**AGENCY PARTICIPATION PROCEDURES ACT OF 2015.** An act to enact the Agency Participation Procedures Act of 2015.	H276
SL 2015-164	**RETIREMENT ADMIN. CHANGES ACT OF 2015.** An act to enact the Retirement Administrative Changes Act of 2015.	H277
SL 2015-210	**CIVIL CONTEMPT/JURY DUTY.** An act to clarify that imposition of a fine is not an allowable sanction for civil contempt and to permit excused jury duty for students attending postsecondary schools out of state.	H284
SL 2015-146	**INSURANCE TECHNICAL CHANGES.** An act to maintain NAIC accreditation of the Department of Insurance by making revisions to the laws governing insurance company holding systems, risk-based capital requirements for life insurers, and corporate governance requirements for risk retention groups; and to make conforming and clarifying changes to the laws governing motor vehicle financial responsibility and auto and homeowners' insurance optional program enhancements, as recommended by the Department of Insurance.	H288
SL 2015-68	**HAZ. MATERIALS IN SAFE DEPOSIT BOX.** An act to provide the department of state treasurer authority in the handling of unclaimed property determined to be of a hazardous nature or which is otherwise regulated, illegal, or which has no substantial commercial value and to provide guidance for the proper handling and disposition of these materials on the part of financial organizations.	H291
SL 2015-54	**ADOPTION LAW CHANGES.** An act to make various changes under the laws pertaining to adoption.	H293
SL 2015-47	**PROHIBIT CELL PHONE/DELINQUENT JUVENILE.** An act to make it a criminal offense to provide a cell phone to a delinquent juvenile in custody of the Department of Public Safety.	H294
SL 2015-41	**JUVENILE MEDIA RELEASE.** An act to permit the Division of Juvenile Justice of the Department of Public Safety to determine whether it is appropriate to release certain information about an escaped delinquent juvenile.	H295

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SL 2015-265	**END MARKETING/SALE UNBORN CHILDREN BODY PARTS.** An act to require informed consent for the donation of the remains of an unborn child; to prohibit the sale of any aborted or miscarried material or remains of an unborn child resulting from an abortion or miscarriage; and to limit the use of state funds for contracts pertaining to teen pregnancy prevention initiatives and projects.	H297	(= S489)
SL 2015-220	**CLARIFY REASONABLE HEALTH INSUR/LTC OMBUDSMAN.** An act to amend the laws pertaining to the medical support and health insurance coverage relating to child support to align state law with federal guidelines that no longer include the provision that employer-provided group health insurance is automatically considered "reasonable" and to modify the long-term care ombudsman program to conform with federal guidelines.	H308	
SL 2015-158	**CERTAIN COUNTIES SHERIFF/FOOD PURCHASES.** An act to allow certain county sheriff's offices to contract for the purchase of food and food services supplies for a county's detention facility without being subject to the requirements of certain state purchase and contract laws.	H312	
SL 2015-294	**PROTECT NORTH CAROLINA WORKERS ACT.** An act to require e-verify compliance in certain governmental contracts, to provide that certain consulate or embassy documents may not be used to determine a person's identification or residence for governmental and law enforcement purposes, to prohibit adoption of sanctuary city ordinances, and to prohibit the department of health and human services from seeking certain waivers.	H318	
SL 2015-290	**EMS PERSONNEL TECHNICAL CHANGES.** An act to make technical and conforming changes to the statutes governing the regulation of emergency medical services to reflect new national standards for emergency medical personnel.	H327	
SL 2015-69	**WEEKEND BURIALS/STATE VETERANS CEMETERIES.** An act providing for weekend burials at all of the state's veterans cemeteries.	H340	
SL 2015-162	**CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES/NBOME & OTHER DRUGS.** An act to add "NBOME" compounds and other substances to the controlled substances schedules.	H341	
SL 2015-165	**RESTORE DRIVING PRIVILEGES/COMPETENCY.** An act to direct the division of motor vehicles to restore the driver's license of a person adjudicated to be restored to competency	H350	(= S349)
SL 2015-71	**STANDARD OF PROOF/PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS.** An act to alter the standard of proof for Public Safety Telecommunicators and dispatchers.	H352	
SL 2015-9	**CLARIFY LAWS ON EXEC. ORDERS AND APPOINTMENTS.** An act to clarify the conflict of interest provisions for certain commissions and to modify appointments to several state boards and commissions.	H364	
SL 2015-215	**Terror Claims/Damages/Liability for Support.** An act creating a civil claim for relief for damages sustained as the result of terrorist acts, amending laws related to members of the North Carolina National Guard carrying concealed weapons, and to permit the rules review commission to retain private counsel under certain circumstances.	H371	
SL 2015-245	**Medicaid Transformation and Reorganization.** An act to transform and reorganize North Carolina's Medicaid and NC Health Choice Programs.	H372	(= S574)
SL 2015-153	**CIV PRO/MODERNIZE EXPERT DISCOVERY.** An act amending the rules of civil procedure to modernize discovery of expert witnesses and clarifying expert witness costs in civil actions.	H376	
SL 2015-181	**CLARIFY STATUTORY SCHEME/SEX OFFENSES.** An act to reorganize, rename, and renumber various sexual offenses to make them more easily distinguishable from one another as recommended by the North Carolina Court Of Appeals in "State of North Carolina V. Slade Weston Hicks, Jr.," and to make other technical changes.	H383	(= S651)
SL 2015-182	**CLARIFY PROTECTIONS/EXPLOITATION OF ELDERS.** An act to clarify that upon conviction for exploitation of an older adult or disabled adult, any seized assets shall be used to satisfy the defendant's restitution obligation as ordered by the court.	H397	
SL 2015-29	**HANDICAP PLACARD/MED. RECERTIFICATION.** An act to provide that medical recertification is not required for renewals of removable windshield handicapped placards if the person is certified as totally and permanently disabled.	H434	

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SL 2015-180	**AMEND STATUTES GOVERNING BAIL BONDSMEN.** An act to amend the statutes governing bail bondsmen to increase the age of qualification for licensure as a bail bondsman or runner, to lengthen the time limit for the return of security to include the time period in which an appeal from district court may be filed, to require the commissioner of insurance to return the amount of a bondsman's security deposit above outstanding bond liability in event the bondsman is killed or ceases writing bonds, and to allow a bondsman to have access to the administrative office of the courts' civil information systems.	H446
SL 2015-62	**WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S PROTECTION ACT OF 2015.** An act to enact the Women and Children's Protection Act of 2015.	H465
SL 2015-260	**OSHR MODERNIZATION/TECHNICAL CHANGES.** An act enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of state government by modernizing the State's System of Human Resources Management.	H495 (= S663)
SL 2015-219	**AMEND/CLARIFY BACK-UP PSAP REQUIREMENTS.** An act to allow time extensions for implementation of back-up PSAP requirements, to define uniform standards for back-up PSAPS, and to develop a master purchasing list for 911 system eligible expenses.	H512
SL 2015-186	**NC DRIVERS LICENSE RESTORATION ACT.** An act to repeal the punishment of revoking a person's drivers license for committing certain driving while license revoked offenses; to make driving while license revoked a nonmoving violation for certain purposes; and to make other conforming changes.	H529
SL 2015-72	**GRAFFITI VANDALISM.** An act to create the criminal offense of graffiti vandalism.	H552
SL 2015-297	**RESERVES & NAT. GUARD/MILITARY AFFAIRS COMM.** An act to ensure representation on the North Carolina Military Affairs Commission of the North Carolina National Guard and a reserve component of the United States Armed Forces.	H558
SL 2015-97	**ASSAULT EMERGENCY WORKERS/HOSPITAL PERSONNEL.** An act to provide that it is a felony to assault hospital personnel and licensed healthcare providers who are providing or attempting to provide services in a hospital.	H560
SL 2015-195	**AMEND FIREARM LAWS.** An act to amend various firearm laws.	H562
SL 2015-212	**AMEND EYEWITNESS ID/SHOW-UP.** An act to amend the eyewitness identification reform act to clarify that the provisions of the act apply to law enforcement officers who are eyewitnesses, to clarify that a photo lineup is different from a show-up, and to establish a procedure for conducting a show-up.	H566
SL 2015-48	**FACILITATE SUCCESSFUL REENTRY.** An act to direct law enforcement and the courts to improve judicial efficiency through the use of the electronic repository commonly known as NCAWARE to resolve outstanding warrants while a defendant is in custody.	H570
SL 2015-208	**USE OF POSITION/LETTERS OF REFERENCE.** An act to clarify that a legislator or public servant may reference their public position in a letter of reference.	H584
SL 2015-49	**MILITARY EXPERIENCE/LEO CERT. REQUIREMENTS.** An act to recognize experience as military police officers for purposes of law enforcement certification and to increase the size of the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission.	H595
SL 2015-57	**MEDIATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS.** An act to amend the provisions requiring mediated settlement agreements to be signed by the parties against whom enforcement is sought.	H597
SL 2015-149	**STORMWATER/BUILT-UPON AREA CLARIFICATION.** An act to clarify the definition of built-upon area for purposes of stormwater programs.	H634
SL 2015-275	**EPI PENS IN ALL CHILD-SERVING BUSINESSES.** An act authorizing health care providers to prescribe, and pharmacists to dispense, epinephrine auto-injectors to authorized child-serving entities other than schools for the emergency treatment of anaphylaxis.	H647
SL 2015-200	**APPRAISAL BD. RECORDKEEPING & BKGRD. CHECKS.** An act to bar civil actions filed after the period of record retention established under the uniform standards of professional appraisal practice or five years, whichever is greater, and to require appraisal management companies to accept criminal background checks performed within the preceding twelve months.	H651
SL 2015-137	**RIGHT TO TRY ACT FOR TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS.** An act establishing a right to try act to provide expanded access to investigational drugs, biological products, and devices for patients diagnosed with terminal illness.	H652

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SL 2015-32	**CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES/UPDATE PRECURSOR LIST.** An act to update the list of immediate precursor chemicals that it is unlawful for a person to possess with intent to manufacture or deliver and to clarify what constitutes certain drug offenses involving methamphetamine.	H659
Adopted	**HONOR STATE'S VETERANS.** A house resolution honoring the state's veterans by expressing its appreciation for their service to our state and nation.	H665
SL 2015-136	**JUVENILE LAW CHANGES/ABUSE/NEGLECT/DEPENDENCY.** An act to make various changes to the juvenile laws pertaining to abuse, neglect, and dependency.	H669
SL 2015-74	**ASSAULT ON NATIONAL GUARD MEMBER.** An act to make it a felony to assault a member of the North Carolina National Guard who is discharging or attempting to discharge official duties.	H691
SL 2015-298	**NCNG TUITION ASSISTANCE BENEFIT AMENDMENT.** An act to allow members of the North Carolina National Guard who are enrolled in a program granting a graduate certificate to be eligible for the North Carolina National Guard tuition assistance benefit.	H709
SL 2015-284	**PILOT PROJECT/USED NEEDLE DISPOSAL.** An act to direct the State Bureau of Investigation to establish and implement a used needle and hypodermic syringe disposal pilot program.	H712
SL 2015-261	**NEXT GENERATION 911** An act to create a Next Generation 911 reserve fund to implement Next Generation 911; to require PSAPs to implement Next Generation 911; to authorize the 911 Board to establish purchasing agreements for statewide procurement; to allow the PSAP grant account to be used for expenses used to enhance 911 service; to amend the limitation of liability for the 911 system; to update the 911 statutes to include new technology; and to make a technical	H730
SL 2015-267	**DPS CHANGES.** An act to make various changes related to the Department of Public Safety. Changes include; amending SL 2015-241 to add: SAFIS Funds: the sum of $333,557 shall not be transferred from Budget Code 23002 to SBI to update the Statewide Automated Fingerprint Information System. DPS is authorized to use up to $3 Million in over-realized receipts during the 2015-17 biennium for replacement of SAFIS, rewriting GS §143B-930(a) When DPS determines any person is entitled to receive information, including criminal records from SBI, for any purposed other than the administration of justice, the SBI shall charge the recipient a reasonable fee. The fee shall not exceed the actual cost of storing, maintaining, locating, editing, researching, and retrieving the information. The monies collected may be budgeted for the support of the SBI, rewriting GS §15A-502(a2) to provide it shall be the duty of the arresting law enforcement agency to cause a person charged with the commission of domestic criminal trespass, domestic violence, violation of a protective order, impaired driving or possession of a controlled substance to be fingerprinted and those fingerprints to be forwarded to SBI, amending GS §15A-502(a4) to provide it is the duty of the arresting law enforcement agency to cause a person charged with misdemeanor offense of assault, stalking , or communicating a threat to be fingerprinted and to forward those fingerprints to the SBI, clarifying GS §143B-911(a) to provide the State Capitol Police Chief, special officers and employees are not considered members of the State Highway Patrol.	H735
SL 2015-286	**REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2015.** An act to provide further regulatory relief to the citizens of North Carolina by providing for various administrative reforms, by eliminating certain unnecessary or outdated statutes and regulations and modernizing or simplifying cumbersome or outdated regulations, and by making various other statutory changes.	H765
SL 2015-154	**AMEND CBD OIL STATUTE.** An act amending the exemption for use or possession of hemp extract and permitting the use of hemp extract as an alternative treatment for intractable epilepsy without participating in a pilot study and repealing the epilepsy alternative treatment act in 2021.	H766
SL 2015-198	**RESTORING PROPER JUSTICE ACT.** An act to amend the law requiring the presence of a licensed physician at the execution of a death sentence.	H774
SL 2015-250	**PRIVACY/PROTECTION FROM REVENGE POSTINGS.** An act to protect the public from revenge posting online by making it a criminal offense to disclose certain images in which there is a reasonable expectation of privacy and to make indecent exposure that occurs on private premises a criminal offense.	H792
SL 2015-189	**ALARM REGISTRATION INFO NOT PUBLIC RECORD.** An act providing that registration and sensitive security information received or compiled by a city in the course of administering an alarm registration ordinance is not a public record.	H797
SL 2015-114	**GRANT RECIPIENTS POSTED ON GRANTOR WEB SITE.** An act to ensure that information on grant funds awarded by state agencies is readily available on state agency web sites.	H812

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SL 2015-287	**EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEES/LAW ENFORCEMENT.** An act to provide authority for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to establish a police department, a tribal alcohol law enforcement division, a natural resources law enforcement agency, and a probation and parole agency.	H850	
SL 2015-58	**JUVENILE CODE REFORM.** An act to make various changes to the juvenile code in regard to due process protections, reentry of juveniles in the delinquency system, and confinement of juveniles.	H879	
SL 2015-37	**2015 SPEAKER AND PPT APPOINTMENTS.** An act to appoint persons to various public offices upon the recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate	H892	
SL 2015-98	**ABC OMNIBUS LEGISLATION.** An act to make various changes to the alcoholic beverage control commission laws.	H909	
SL 2015-276	**HIGHWAY SAFETY/OTHER CHANGES.** An act to clarify when a law enforcement officer is required to request a blood sample when charging the offense of misdemeanor death by vehicle, clarify the law governing prohibited use of red and blue lights, repeal certain mandatory reporting regarding pseudoephedrine products, clarify the subpoena authority of the director of the SBI, provide for upset bids for leases of mineral deposits on state lands, increase the cost limit on work that can be performed by governmental force account labor, and repeal the donate life NC matching funds requirement.	H924	
SL 2015-280	**CONNECT NC BOND ACT OF 2015.** An act to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds for the purpose of accomplishing certain interrelated and united projects to further economic development in the state consistent with the Connect NC plan.	H943	
Adopted	**Add IT Committee.** A senate resolution creating the Information Technology Committee as a standing committee of the senate.	S9	
SL 2015-7	**Acad. Standards/Rules Review/Coal Ash/Funds.** An act to provide funds for certain expenditures and to clarify and modify other laws.	S14	
SL 2015-170	**Historic Artifact Mgt. and Patriotism Act.** An act to ensure respectful treatment of the American flag and the North Carolina flag by state agencies and other political subdivisions of the state; to establish the division of Veterans Affairs as the clearinghouse for the disposal of worn, tattered, and damaged flags; to provide for the protection of monuments and memorials commemorating events, persons, and military service in North Carolina history; and to transfer custody of certain historic documents in the possession of the office of the Secretary of State to the Department of Cultural Resources and to facilitate public opportunity to view these documents.	S22	
SL 2015-296	**Waive Tuition/Fallen Officer Was Guardian.** An act to provide that the tuition waiver for survivors of law enforcement officers, firefighters, or rescue squad workers and certain others also applies to children whose legal guardians or legal custodians are law enforcement officers, firefighters, or rescue squad workers.	S37	
SL 2015-115	**CDLs for Veterans Revisions.** An act to extend the period immediately preceding the date of application from 90 days to one year in which a military veteran seeking a waiver of the commercial skills test must have been regularly employed and to provide a military veteran with an additional method for satisfying the certification requirement in G.S. 20-37.13.	S43	(= H319)
SL 2015-91	**No-Contact Order/No Expiration.** An act to provide that a non-expiring, permanent civil no-contact order may be issued against a sex offender on behalf of the crime victim, to establish the procedure for obtaining such an order, to clarify enhanced penalties for violations of protective orders, and to allow extension of orders entered in street gang nuisance abatement cases after a court hearing.	S60	
SL 2015-5	**OFF-DUTY CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS/CONCEAL CARRY.** An act to provide that a State Correctional Officer may carry a concealed weapon when off-duty.	S78	
SL 2015-87	**Criminal Law/Filing False Document.** An act to amend the criminal law concerning the filing or recording of false liens or encumbrances knowing or having reason to know that the lien or encumbrance is false or contains a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation.	S83	
SL 2015-31	**REQUIRED NUMBER OF OPERATING BRAKE LIGHTS.** An act to clarify that motor vehicles must have at least one working stop lamp on each side of the rear of the vehicle and to make other clarifying changes.	S90	

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SL 2015-88	**Fire, Rescue, & Safety Worker System Changes.** An act to establish a definition of firefighter for purposes of the local firefighters' relief fund, the statewide firefighters' relief fund, the state fire protection grant fund, volunteer safety workers assistance, and the rescue squad workers' relief fund; to amend the process for filing certified rosters with the North Carolina State Firemen's Association and The North Carolina Association of Rescue And Emergency Medical Services, Inc.; to amend the rescue squad workers' relief fund; to amend the law-enforcement officers', firemen's, rescue squad workers' and civil air patrol members' death benefits act; and to specify local government authority as it pertains to a fire department board and participation in the local governmental employees' retirement system	S99	
SL 2015-264	**GSC TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS 2015.** An act to make technical corrections to the General Statutes and Session Laws, as recommended by the General Statutes Commission, and to make additional technical and other amendments to the Statutes and Session Laws. Changes include; amending GS §143B-927 to provide that notwithstanding provisions in this Chapter or Chapter 143A, the SBI Director may hire or fire personnel and transfer personnel within the Bureau, rewriting GS §14-415.12A(a1) to cover an individual who is a qualified retired law enforcement officer, as approved by CJETSC for handgun qualification for active law enforcement officers within the last 12 months, rewriting GS §17C-10.1 to allow certification of military service members and veterans with law enforcement training and experience that the Commission shall consider combined training and experience, requiring NC CJETSC to provide a compliance report not later than April 1, 2016 to JPS Oversight and the Homeland Security, Military and Veterans Affairs Committees, and rewriting GS §143-48.6(b) which includes that a Personal Services Contract is defined as a contract for services provided by a professional individual as an independent contractor on a temporary or occasional basis, but does not include, engagement of experts or expert witnesses who are to be involved in the planning, prosecution, or defense of any litigation, by the Department of Justice, the Governor, State agencies, or institutions.	S119	
SL 2015-94	**Clarifying the Good Samaritan Law.** An act to clarify the operation of the limited immunity from prosecution for certain drug- or alcohol-related offenses committed by an individual experiencing a drug- or alcohol-related overdose and an individual who seeks medical assistance for an individual experiencing a drug- or alcohol-related overdose; to provide additional requirements and conditions that must be met before the limited immunity is established; to provide that a person shall not be subject to arrest or revocation of pretrial release, probation, parole, or post-release if based upon an offense for which the person is immune from prosecution; to provide that a law enforcement officer shall not be subject to civil liability for arresting or charging a person entitled to immunity from prosecution if the law enforcement officer acted in good faith; to provide that a pharmacist may dispense an opioid antagonist upon receiving a prescription issued in accordance with G.S. 90-106.2; and to provide that a pharmacist who dispenses an opioid antagonist in accordance with G.S. 90-106.2 is immune from certain civil or criminal liability.	S154	
SL 2015-190	**Automatic License Plate Readers.** An act to regulate the use of automatic license plate reader systems.	S182	
SL 2015-191	**ELIMINATE CRVS FOR MISDEMEANANTS.** An act to eliminate confinement in response to violation for misdemeanants sentenced under structured sentencing, as recommended by the North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission.	S183	
SL 2015-229	**CLARIFY CREDIT FOR TIME SERVED.** An act to clarify credit for time served as recommended by the North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission.	S185	
SL 2015-105	**HANDGUN STANDARDS FOR RETIRED SWORN LEO.** An act to allow successful completion by a retired sworn law enforcement officer of the handgun qualifications for active sworn law enforcement officers to be sufficient for purposes of a concealed handgun permit.	S212	
SL 2015-202	**AUTOMATIC EXPUNCTION/MISTAKEN IDENTITY.** An act to provide for the automatic expunction of certain records of a person when the charge or charges against the person are dismissed as a result of identity theft or mistaken identity.	S233	
SL 2015-282	**Stalking by GPS/Criminal Offense.** An act to provide that a person commits the offense of cyber stalking if the person knowingly installs or places a tracking device without consent and uses the device to track the location of an individual.	S238	(= H187)
SL 2015-141	**Regulate the Sale of E-Liquid Containers.** An act prohibiting the sale of e-liquid containers without child-resistant packaging and without labeling e-liquid containers that contain nicotine.	S286	
SL 2015-188	**LIMIT STORAGE DURATION FOR DAMAGED VEHICLE (NEW).** An act to limit the amount of time a motor vehicle can be impounded after a collision.	S345	
SL 2015-95	**Amend Certain Reqs/Permanency Innovation Comm.** An act to amend the reporting and meeting requirements under the laws pertaining to the permanency innovation initiative oversight committee.	S366	

Session Law	Title	Bill	
SL 2015-370	**E-Signatures/Vehicle Title and Registration.** An act to allow the use of electronic means to sign and notate certain documents required by the division of motor vehicles and to provide that a secured party shall provide electronic notice of the satisfaction or other discharge of a security interest in a motor vehicle for which the certificate of title is notated by a lien through electronic means.	S370	
SL 2015-201	**Modify For-Hire License Logbook Requirement.** An act to repeal the requirement that a holder of a for-hire coastal recreational fishing license submit a logbook summarizing catch and effort statistical data, to direct the division of marine fisheries to study the advisability of requiring the submission of catch and effort statistical data; to forbid the department of environment and natural resources from entering into a joint enforcement agreement with the national marine fisheries service; and to direct the division of marine fisheries to study the joint enforcement agreement.	S374	
Res 2015-9	**Military Appreciation Month.** A joint resolution expressing gratitude and appreciation to the men and women of the United States Armed Forces.	S421	(= H406)
SL 2015-221	**Labor/2015 Technical & Conforming Changes.** An act making technical, conforming, and other changes to the labor laws of North Carolina. Includes prohibiting employment of those under 18 years of age to prepare, serve, dispense or sell any alcoholic beverages at an establishment permitted for on-premises sale or consumption of alcohol, to allow employment of those under 18 at the point-of-sale for only off-premises consumption.	S429	
SL 2015-36	**Burt's Law.** An act to enhance protections for clients of facilities whose primary purpose is to provide services for the care, treatment, habilitation, or rehabilitation of individuals with mental illness, developmental disabilities, or substance abuse disorders by increasing punishments for client abuse, exploitation, or neglect; by imposing a reporting requirement on employees and volunteers who witness a sexual offense or offense against morality perpetrated against a client; and by making failure to report these violations a class 1 misdemeanor.	S445	
SL 2015-230	**Transfer of Bladen Correctional Facility.** An act to transfer the former Bladen correctional center property to the Bladen county Board of Commissioners.	S477	
SL 2015-116	**In-State Tuition For Certain Vets/Fed Prog.** An act to make certain veterans and other individuals entitled to federal educational benefits under 38 U.S.C. chapter 30 or 38 U.S.C. chapter 33 who enroll in any of the state's public institutions of higher education eligible for in-state tuition by waiving the twelve-month state residency requirement and to repeal the requirements regarding the yellow ribbon program.	S478	
SL 2015-263	**North Carolina Farm Act of 2015.** An act to provide regulatory relief to the agricultural community of North Carolina by providing for various transportation and environmental reforms and by making various other statutory changes.	S513	
SL 2015-133	**2015 CONTINUING BUDGET AUTHORITY** An act authorizing the director of the budget to continue expenditures for the operation of government at the level in effect on June 30, 2015.	S534	
SL 2015-143	**WORKFORCE ENRICHMENT/VETERANS.** An act to enrich the state's workforce by requiring occupational licensing boards to license military-trained veterans who pass a proficiency examination offered by the occupational licensing board for veterans.	S545	
SL 2015-578	**Transition Certain Abuse Investigations/DCDEE.** An act to transition abuse and neglect investigations in child care facilities to the Division of Child Development and Early Education within the Department of Health and Human services.	S578	
SL 2015-214	**2015 Continuing Budget Authority.** An act authorizing the director of the budget to continue expenditures for the operation of government at the level in effect on June 30, 2015, until August 31, 2015.	S560	(= H767)
Adopted	**Honor State's Veterans.** A senate resolution expressing gratitude and appreciation to our veterans.	S580	
SL 2015-108	**Registration Renewal Notice/E-Mail.-AB** An act to authorize the division of motor vehicles to send motor vehicle registration renewal notification by electronic means upon receiving written consent from the owner of the motor vehicle.	S621	
SL 2015-228	**LIMIT PAROLE REVIEW FREQUENCY.** An act to limit the frequency of parole reviews for inmates convicted of sexually violent offenses.	S675	
SL 2015-109	**Modify Sunset Re: Contingent Audits.** An act to limit use of contingent-based contracts for audit or assessment purposes.	S682	(= H542)
SL 2015-273	**REEGAN'S RULE/ENFORCE PHARM. BEN. MGMT.** An act to encourage parent education during well-child visits at specific age intervals regarding type I diabetes and to amend the law pertaining to pharmacy benefit managers.	S694	

Session Law	Title	Bill
SL 2015-288	**LEGACY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY/CON EXEMPT.** An act to provide for certain exemptions under the certificate of need law.	S698
SL 2015-225	**PROTECT LEO HOME ADDRESS/OTHER INFORMATION.** An act to protect certain personal information of law enforcement officers from disclosure.	S699
SL 2015-5	**CONFIRM DIRECTOR OF SBI.** A Joint Resolution providing for the confirmation of Bernard Warren (B.W.) Collier, II, as Director of the State Bureau of Investigation.	S712
Res 2015-11	**Adjournment Resolution.** A joint resolution adjourning the 2015 regular session of the General Assembly to a date certain.	S717
Res 2015-14	**Adjournment Resolution.** A joint resolution adjourning the 2015 regular session of the General Assembly to a date certain and limiting the matters that may be considered upon reconvening.	S721

II. Enacted Legislation Not Related to the Department of Public Safety

Action	Short Title	Bill
Adopted	**House Rules.**	H1
Res 2015-1	**Adjourn Organizational Session.**	H2
SL 2015-292	**Court of Appeals Election Modifications.**	H8
SL 2015-222	**Amend School Health Assessment Requirement.**	H13
SL 2015-92	**Repeal Outdated Reports.-AB**	H16
Adopted	**Amend House Temp Rules.**	H17
Adopted	**House UNC Board of Governors Election.**	H37
SL 2015-6	**Rev Laws Tech Changes.**	H41 (= S19)
SL 2015-246	**Local Government Regulatory Reform 2015.**	H44 (= S53)
SL 2015-124	**Public Exhibit of Fireworks/NCSU.**	H55
Adopted	**Honor Boy Scouts.**	H57
SL 2015-13	**Wilkes Fox Trapping.**	H65 (= S76)
SL 2015-42	**Charlotte Firefighters' Retirement.**	H70 (= S137)
SL 2015-24	**Clarify County Comm Oath Filing.**	H71
SL 2015-77	**Cary Annexation.**	H73
SL 2015-111	**Utility Line Relocation/School Board.**	H86
SL 2015-78	**Town of Polkton/Deannexation.**	H99
SL 2015-35	**Cherokee/Rutherford/Clay Bds. of Ed. Elect.**	H110
SL 2015-242	**Stanly Co Bd of Ed Election Method.**	H112
SL 2015-293	**Mortgage Origination Support Registration.**	H126
SL 2015-8	**Lineman Appreciation Day in NC.**	H140
SL 2015-33	**Charlotte/Civil Service Board.**	H143
SL 2015-39	**Update Fire and Rescue Comm'n. Membership.**	H147
SL 2015-21	**Jim Fulghum Teen Skin Cancer Prevention Act.**	H158 (= S125)
SL 2015-223	**Exempt Builders' Inventory.**	H168 (= S321)
SL 2015-184	**Repeal DCR's Obsolete Comms & Language.**	H185
SL 2015-196	**Cape Fear Water Resources Availability Study.**	H186
SL 2015-243	**Trustee Appointments/Isothermal Comm. Coll.**	H188
SL 2015-38	**Rockingham Co. School Bd.**	H189
SL 2015-160	**Zoning Changes/Citizen Input.**	H201
SL 2015-14	**Caswell Beach/Quick Take Eminent Domain.**	H204 (= S216)
SL 2015-83	**Clayton Deannexation/Annexation.**	H217 (= S265)
SL 2015-79	**Clayton Annexation.**	H218 (= S264)
SL 2015-66	**Retention Elections/Supreme Court.**	H222
SL 2015-157	**Certain Counties/Purchasing Exemption.**	H236
SL 2015-46	**Repeal Personal Ed Plans/Modify Trans Plans.**	H237
SL 2015-15	**Local Mod: Economic Development Commissions.**	H243
SL 2015-101	**Surplus Lines Amendments.**	H262
SL 2015-138	**City Elections/Trinity and Greensboro.**	H263
SL 2015-169	**Community Colleges 403(b) Plan.**	H264

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SL 2015-129	**City of Lenoir/Satellite Annexation.**	H266
SL 2015-59	**Wake Cty Local Board of Equalization/Review.**	H279
SL 2015-127	**Zebulon Charter/Use of Certain Fees.**	H307
SL 2015-34	**Promotion Grievances/City of Statesville.**	H313
SL 2015-55	**Sheriff & Landlord/Tenant-Writs of Poss. Chg.**	H315
SL 2015-130	**Zoning/Recreational Land Req.-Morrisville.**	H322 (= S249)
SL 2015-248	**Charter School & Other Education Laws Changes**	H334
SL 2015-84	**Town of Cary/Release Unneeded Easements.**	H337 (= S248)
SL 2015-113	**Add Fonta Flora Trail to State Parks System.**	H339 (= S221)
SL 2015-171	**Clayton/Wallace ETJ Areas.**	H343
SL 2015-70	**Counties/Public Trust Areas.**	H346
SL 2015-128	**Graham, Buncombe Occ. Tax/Stokesdale Fire.**	H347
SL 2015-80	**Wilson's Mills/Satellite Annexations.**	H353
SL 2015-134	**NCUC Reg. Fee Changes.**	H356
SL 2015-17	**School Performance Grade Scale.**	H358 (= S450)
SL 2015-281	**Principle-Based Reserving/Revise Ins. Laws.**	H361 (= S667)
SL 2015-258	**Elections.**	H373
SL 2015-172	**Hope Mills/Spring Lake/Satellite Annexations.**	H386
SL 2015-167	**Beaufort Co. CC/Washington Co.**	H390
SL 2015-12	**Tri-County CC/Bd. of Trustees.**	H393
SL 2015-131	**Town of Mint Hill/Annexations.**	H400
SL 2015-50	**Property Protection Act.**	H405 (= S433)
SL 2015-139	**Town of Angier/Deannexation.**	H411
SL 2015-175	**Dunn Annexation/Holly Ridge Annexation.**	H412
SL 2015-85	**Fontana Dam/Establish Electric Power Board.**	H415
SL 2015-132	**Town of Weldon/Deannexation.**	H426
SL 2015-28	**Create Permit Exemptions/Home Renal Products.**	H437 (= S557)
SL 2015-148	**Cleveland County Coroner/ME Recommendations.**	H467 (= S266)
Adopted	**House Permanent Rules-Final.**	H481
SL 2015-252	**Central Carolina CC/Bd. of Trustees.**	H488
SL 2015-159	**Rutherford Cty/Rutherford Airport Authority.**	H492
SL 2015-140	**Lake Lure Deannexation.**	H493
SL 2015-244	**Moore Co. Comm. and Bd. of Ed. Changes.**	H503
SL 2015-256	**Moore County Occupancy Tax Increase.**	H504
SL 2015-93	**Credit Unions/Statutory Changes.**	H511
SL 2015-56	**Real Property/Technical Corrections.**	H513
SL 2015-257	**Stanfield Annexation/Locust Deannexation.**	H526
SL 2015-253	**Omnibus Local Act.**	H527
SL 2015-255	**Various Occupancy Tax Changes.**	H531
SL 2015-207	**Water and Sewer Service Related Changes.**	H538
SL 2015-269	**Billy Graham/National Statuary Hall.**	H540 (= S529)
SL 2015-166	**County Sign Ordinance in Cities.**	H544

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SL 2015-192	**Ordinances Regulating Animals.**	H553
SL 2015-203	**Achieving a Better Life Experience Act.**	H556 (= S367)
SL 2015-73	**Opossum Exclusion From Wildlife Laws.**	H574
SL 2015-18	**Sale of Deer Skins.**	H601
SL 2015-193	**Allow Protected Consumer Security Freezes.**	H607
SL 2015-194	**Capitalize on Wetland Mitigation.**	H638
SL 2015-144	**Outdoor Heritage Act.**	H640
Res 2015-6	**Remembering the Holocaust.**	H668
Res 2015-10	**Honor Dean E. Smith.**	H670
SL 2015-275	**UNC Self-Liquidating Projects.**	H679
SL 2015-272	**Baby Carlie Nugent Bill.**	H698
SL 2015-147	**Amend Septic Tank Requirements.**	H705
SL 2015-19	**Building Code/Rustic Cabins.**	H706
SL 2015-187	**Subdivision Ordinance/Land Develop. Changes.**	H721
SL 2015-213	**Amend Composition of NC Medical Board.**	H724
SL 2015-90	**SEPA Reform.**	H795
SL 2015-209	**Clarify Motor Vehicle Dealer Laws.**	H800 (= S673)
SL 2015-211	**The William C. Lindley, Jr. SUDEP Law.**	H814
SL 2015-199	**Establish Advisory Council on Rare Diseases.**	H823
SL 2015-103	**Election Modifications.**	H836
Adopted	**Honor Julian Pierce.**	H837
SL 2015-240	**Restrict Municipal Eminent Domain.**	H875
SL 2015-30	**Expand Bd. of Trustees/Sch. of Science & Math.**	H878
SL 2015-262	**Taxation of Tribal Land and Tobacco Products.**	H912
Adopted	**Rev. Billy Graham for Postage Stamp.**	H944
Adopted	**2015 Senate Permanent Rules.**	S1
Res 2015-2	**State of the State.**	S4
SL 2015-10	**Union County Local Act.**	S5
SL 2015-104	**Food Stand Seating & Outdoor Food Service.**	S7
SL 2015-238	**Unemployment Insurance Law Changes.**	S15 (= H22)
SL 2015-2	**IRC Update/Motor Fuel Tax Changes.**	S20 (= H40)
SL 2015-86	**Zoning/Design & Aesthetic Controls.**	S25 (= H36)
Adopted	**Senate 2015 UNC Board of Governors Election.**	S47
SL 2015-226	**Cities/Means For Activating Parking Meters.**	S52
Adopted	**Honor Boy Scouts.**	S69
SL 2015-76	**Increase Wilkesboro Firemen's Pension.**	S77
SL 2015-197	**Vital Records Integrity Act.**	S82
SL 2015-119	**Pole Attachment Disputes.**	S88 (= H403)
SL 2015-295	**State Advisory Council on Indian Education.**	S97 (= H522)
Adopted	**Change Crossover Deadline.**	S108
Res 2015-3	**Joint Session/State of the Judiciary.**	S109 (= H103)
SL 2015-63	**Comm. Fishing Courses/Coastal Colleges.**	S112

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SL 2015-51	**Custodial Parent/Party Cooperate w/Child Supp.**	S114 (= H120)
SL 2015-22	**Handicapped Parking Windshield Placard.**	S116 (= H170)
SL 2015-23	**Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act.**	S123
SL 2015-60	**Town of Sylva/Parking Ordinances.**	S139
SL 2015-102	**Lake Santeetlah Occupancy Tax Authorization.**	S140 (= H221)
SL 2015-61	**Cumberland County Civic Center Commission.**	S142
Adopted	**Amend Senate UNC BOG Election.**	S148
SL 2015-234	**Mt. Gilead Charter Revision & Consolidation.**	S156 (= H11)
SL 2015-266	**Corrected Reval./Minimal Refunds/Prop. Taxes.**	S159
SL 2015-89	**Supreme Court Sessions in Morganton.**	S161 (= H283)
Res 2015-12	**Honor Dan Simpson, Former Member.**	S162
SL 2015-120	**Rail Corridor Lease/City of Wilmington.**	S174
SL 2015-4	**Wake County Commissioner Districts.**	S181
SL 2015-176	**Citations/Sheriffs Accept Faxes.**	S192
SL 2015-283	**Motor Vehicle Service Agreement Amendments.**	S195
SL 2015-216	**Funds Deposited with Clerk of Court.**	S199
SL 2015-81	**Franklin/Archdale/Satellite Annexation.**	S218
Adopted	**Honor Girl Scouts.**	S232
SL 2015-155	**Repeal Clay County Wildlife Exclusion.**	S252
SL 2015-82	**Durham Voluntary Annexations/Adjacent Streets.**	S256
SL 2015-251	**Party Exec. Comm./Fill Vacancy/Washington Cty.**	S258
SL 2015-204	**Motor Vehicle Tax: Waive Penalties/Interest.**	S273
SL 2015-279	**Amend Qualifications/Practice of Counseling.**	S279
SL 2015-121	**Infrastructure Assessments/Extend Sunset.**	S284
SL 2015-52	**Extend Overnight Respite Pilot Program.**	S291
SL 2015-142	**Port Usage Contracts/Public Records.**	S299 (= S194)
SL 2015-106	**DOT/Purchase of Contaminated Land.**	S301
SL 2015-239	**Administration of Logo Sign Program.**	S304
SL 2015-3	**NCEMPA Asset Sale.**	S305 (= H265)
SL 2015-53	**Register of Deeds/Filing False Marriage Docs.**	S311
SL 2015-299	**Industrial Hemp.**	S313
SL 2015-64	**School Playgrounds Available to Public.**	S315
Adopted	**Reaffirming Support for Public Schools.**	S316
SL 2015-227	**Register of Deeds-POA Indexing Fees.**	S332
SL 2015-126	**Teacher Transition Data.**	S333
Res 2015-4	**SBCC Election.**	S334
SL 2015-205	**Estate Planning/Uniform Trust Code.**	S336
SL 2015-11	**Renewable Energy Safe Harbor.**	S372
SL 2015-285	**Cemeteries Located on State Property.**	S379
SL 2015-206	**Registers of Deeds/UCC Recording Fees.**	S386
SL 2015-235	**Joint Agency Tax Refund.**	S399
SL 2015-249	**School Access for Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts.**	S400

Action	Short Title	Bill
SL 2015-135	**Foster Care Family Act.**	S423 (= H407)
SL 2015-232	**Dealer Loaners/Unmanned Aircraft/Brunswick Co.**	S446
SL 2015-224	**Equalize Tax on Propane Used as a Motor Fuel.**	S448 (= H494)
SL 2015-118	**Iran Divestment Act.**	S455
SL 2015-122	**Public Authorities/Nonprofit Corporations.**	S462
SL 2015-277	**Local Incentives for Historic Rehabilitation.**	S472
SL 2015-96	**Health Choice Technical Revisions.**	S487
SL 2015-117	**Amend Uniform Interstate Family Support Act.**	S488 (= H298)
SL 2015-278	**Amend Child Custody Laws.**	S519 (= H764)
SL 2015-291	**Grad Requirements/Sports Pilot.**	S524
SL 2015-237	**Regulate Transportation Network Companies.**	S541 (= H680)
SL 2015-217	**Study Subdiv. Streets/Traffic Calming Devices.**	S581
SL 2015-107	**Protection Against Unconst. Foreign Judgmnts.**	S596
SL 2015-65	**Repeal References to ABCs.**	S597
SL 2015-151	**Map Act/Clarifications.**	S654
SL 2015-236	**Unclaimed Life Insurance Benefits.**	S665
SL 2015-670	**Term Limits for BOG Members.**	S670
SL 2015-271	**Autism Health Insurance Coverage.**	S676
SL 2015-177	**Amend Debt Collection Statutes.**	S678
SL 2015-179	**NC Consumer Finance Act Amendments.**	S679
Res 2015-8	**Honoring Duke's NCAA Championship.**	S714
Res 2015-7	**Joint Session to Honor Duke Basketball Team.**	S715
SL 2015-110	**Mountain Energy Act of 2015.**	S716
Res 2015-13	**Honor World War II Veterans.**	S720

Chapter 4:

Proposed Legislation

(Did Not Pass)

I. Proposed Budgetary Items Related to DPS
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IV. Proposed DPS Legislative Items

I. Proposed Budgetary Items Related to the Department of Public Safety

Items Proposed that differ from Final Budget		Governor	House	Senate	Final
Vacant Positions					
Directs DPS to eliminate up to 30 positions throughout the agency that have been vacant for more than 12 months. No sworn law enforcement officers, custody and security officers, or prison health care positions may be eliminated.	15/16 R	$0	($556,501.00)	$0	$0
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 POS	0	0	0	0
Vacant Positions					
Eliminates four positions that have been vacant for more than a year The positions are: 60001028 Bus. And Tech. Applic. Spec. ($103,467), 60011161 Networking Technician ($ 54,410), 60011161 Criminal Justice Planner I ($ 54,070), 60001305 Stock Supervisor ($ 54,070). This is a 0.45% reduction from the Division's budget of $59.9 million.	15/16 R	($332,825.00)	($266,017.00)	$0	$0
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 POS	-4	-4	0	0
SBI/ALE Consolidation Efficiencies					
Eliminates three Office Assistant IV positions at SBI/ALE regional offices. Those offices were consolidated in FY 2014-15, allowing for additional operational efficiencies. This is a 0.26% reduction to the SBI's total budget of $52.3 million.	15/16 R	($140,896.00)	($140,896.00)	$0	$0
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 POS	-3	-3	0	0
SBI Attorney III					
Eliminates an Attorney III position (60084617) inadvertently transferred from the Department of Justice when the SBI was moved to DPS. This position has been vacant for more than 15 months.	15/16 R	$0	($107,195.00)	$0	$0
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 POS	0	-1	0	0
Broaden Access for Community Treatment					
Provides funds to the Broaden Access to Community Treatment program. These funds shall be restricted to substance abuse treatment services for offenders assessed as moderate to high-risk for recidivism and high need for substance abuse services. Funds distributed under this provision shall be given to evidence-based programs to enhance, increase, or expand existing substance abuse treatment programs for offenders being supervised by the Department.	15/16 R	$0	$520,256.00	Yes	
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	$1,359,744	
	15/16 POS	0	0	0	
Probation and Parole Vehicles					
Adjusts receipts to reflect funds previously paid to the Department of Administration (DOA) for replacement vehicles for probation and parole officers. A special provision directs the Department of Administration to transfer those funds back to DPS. This item follows the transfer of responsibility for these vehicles from DOA to DPS.	15/16 R	$0	Transfer	$0	Study
	15/16 NR	$0	Transfer	$0	Study
	15/16 POS	0	Transfer	0	Study
Workers' Compensation Adjustment Reserve					
Provides funding to adjust workers' compensation line items to the average FY 2012-13 and FY 2013-14 actual expenditures estimated to be from net General Fund appropriations. Agencies are directed to further adjust these line items using receipts to reflect the average FY 2012-13 and FY 2013-14 actual expenditures from all fund sources.	15/16 R	$0	$0	$17,890,209	$0
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 POS	0	0	0	0

Items Proposed that differ from Final Budget		Governor	House	Senate	Final
Continuation Review - Inmate Road Squads and Litter Crews					
Funds the Inmate Road Squads and Litter Crews for FY 2015-16 only. The Highway Fund provides $9,040,000 to support 184 positions for this program. Restoration of FY 2016-17 funds is subject to the findings of the Continuation Review.	15/16 R	$0	$0	Senate	$0
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	Senate	$0
	15/16 POS	0	0	Senate	0
Fund Agency Teacher Movement Along Teacher Salary Schedule					
Provides funds for compensation increases for eligible agency teachers who are paid on the Public School Teacher Salary Schedule and who will move to a new compensation tier during FY 2015-16	15/16 R	$92,298	$0	$0	Other
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	$0	Other
	15/16 POS	0	0	0	Other
Nonrecurring Bonus for Eligible Agency Educators at Top of Scale					
Provides funds to continue a nonrecurring bonus for agency educators who received a nonrecurring bonus in FY 2014-15.	15/16 R	Yes	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 NR	$16,732	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 POS	0	0	0	0
NC GEAR - Transfer Animal Welfare to Strengthen Animal Protection					
Transfers the Animal Welfare section from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to DPS, which will allow animal welfare to be more effectively addressed by the law enforcement community. This transfer includes the Spay and Neuter program, which is in a Special Fund and is currently supported by receipts. Also invests $100,000 in State Appropriations in Spay and Neuter for grants to local communities. This item also establishes three positions in FY 16-17 to provide oversight and enforcement of standards for breeders required to register their businesses.	15/16 R	$758,892	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 POS	10	0	0	0
	16/17 R	$928,642	$0	$0	$0
	16/17 NR	$40,000	$0	$0	$0
	16/17 POS	13	0	0	0
Management Flexibility Reduction					
Establishes a nonrecurring reduction that will allow the department flexibility to identify one-time efficiencies. The reduction amount is 0.86% of the department's FY 2014-15 certified budget	15/16 R	$0	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 NR	($15,000,000)	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 POS	0	0	0	0
Victim Services' Operating Efficiencies					
Modifies budgeted amounts for travel, office equipment and associated maintenance agreements, and postage. No impact to direct services is anticipated.	15/16 R	($23,726)	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 NR	$0	$0	$0	$0
	15/16 POS	0	0	0	0

II. Proposed Budgetary Provisions Related to the Department of Public Safety

	Governor	House	Senate	Final
USE PORTION OF FUNDS IN STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACCOUNT TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO REGIONAL DISASTER SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAMS 5th Edition- SECTION 6.16. Of the funds appropriated in this act to the State Emergency Response Account, the Department of Public Safety may use the sum of two million dollars ($2,000,000) to provide funds to the seven regional search and rescue teams. Each one dollar ($1.00) of funds made available pursuant to this section shall be matched by one dollar ($1.00) of local funds.	No	Yes 6 p216	No	No
ENHANCE THE BENEFITS OF PROBATION/PAROLE OFFICERS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM 4th Edition- SECTION 30.23.(a) G.S. 135-1 reads as rewritten:"§ 135-1. Definitions. The following words and phrases as used in this Chapter, unless a different meaning is 6 plainly required by the context, shall have the following meanings: … (11c) "Law-Enforcement Officer" means a full-time paid employee of an employer who is actively serving in a position with assigned primary duties and responsibilities for prevention and detection of crime or the general enforcement of the criminal laws of the State of North Carolina or serving civil processes, and who possesses the power of arrest by virtue of an oath administered under the authority of the State. "Law-Enforcement Officer" also means a probation/parole officer as defined in this section with respect to any service rendered on or after July 1, 2015. (17a) "Probation/Parole Officer" means a full-time paid employee of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety whose duties include supervising, evaluating, or otherwise instructing offenders who have been placed on probation, parole, post-release supervision, or have been assigned to any other community-based program operated by the Division of Adult Correction. …." SECTION 30.23.(b) G.S. 143-166.41(b) reads as rewritten: "(b) As used in this section, "creditable service" means the service for which credit is allowed under the retirement system of which the officer is a member, provided that at least fifty percent (50%) of the service is as a law enforcement officer as herein defined. Defined or as a probation/parole officer as defined in G.S. 135-1(17a)." SECTION 30.23.(c) This section becomes effective July 1, 2015, and applies to persons retiring on or after that date.	No	Yes	No	No
VACANT POSITION ELIMINATION REPORT 5th Edition- SECTION 16A.3A. The Department of Public Safety shall report to the Office of State Budget and Management and to the Fiscal Research Division no later than October 1, 2015, a list of vacant positions eliminated pursuant to this act. The report shall include the position title, fund code, position number, and budgeted salary of each position eliminated.	No	Yes 16A.3A. p196	No	No
MAINTENANCE OF PRISONS 7th Edition- SECTION 16C.8. The Department of Public Safety shall not expand private maintenance contracts to additional prison facilities or continue existing private contracts for prison maintenance unless authorized by the General Assembly. If the Department determines that expanding private maintenance contracts to additional prison facilities or continuing existing contracts is necessary, then it shall submit its request to the General Assembly by May 1, 2016, stating (i) the ways in which the State can realize savings by doing so and (ii) that safety can be maintained at the facilities where those contracts are expanded or continued.	No	Yes 16C.8. p203	Yes 16C.8 p339	No
VETERANS' COURTS 7th Edition- SECTION 18A.14. Upon the request of a clerk of court or district attorney, or upon the judge's own initiative, a chief district court judge may, pursuant to the judge's authority under G.S. 7A-146(7) to arrange sessions for the trial of specialized cases, authorize the establishment in the district court district of the holding of sessions of court in which related specialized cases or matters are adjudicated, including the holding of family court, drug treatment court, veterans' court, DWI court, mental health court, or any other innovative use of a session of court. With the consent of the clerk of superior court, the court may make use of the personnel and resources of the clerk's office to administer these specialty sessions. The Administrative Office of the Courts General Assembly Of North Carolina Session 2015 shall provide direction and oversight to any such specialty session of district court in order to ensure that each district is utilizing best practices and is working effectively and efficiently in the disposition of such specialized cases and consistent with the provisions of G.S. 7A-272.	Yes 16A.2. p112	Partly 18A.14. p216	No	No

	Governor	House	Senate	Final
LAPSED SALARY SAVINGS 7th Edition- SECTION 16A.6. Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-6-9, the Department of Public Safety shall revert to the General Fund a minimum of seventeen million eight hundred ninety thousand two hundred nine dollars ($17,890,209) from lapsed salary savings by June 30, 2016.	No	No	Yes 16A.6 p333	No
SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FUNDS Any unexpended funds from the two million dollars ($2,000,000) in nonrecurring funds appropriated for FY 2014-2015 for Substance Abuse Treatment for High-Risk Offenders shall not revert and shall be carried forward to the FY 2015-2017 biennium and remain available for expenditure for their original purpose. These funds shall be restricted to substance abuse treatment services for offenders assessed as moderate to high risk for recidivism and high need for substance abuse services. Funds distributed under this provision shall be given to evidence-based programs to enhance, increase, or expand existing substance abuse treatment programs for offenders being supervised by the Department.	Yes 16C.7. p118	No	-	No
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT A reallocation is required because of an emergency that poses an imminent threat to public health or public safety, the Director of the Budget may authorize the reallocation without consulting the Commission. The Department of Commerce shall report to the Commission on the reallocation no later than 30 days after it was authorized and shall identify in the report the emergency, the type of action taken, and how it was related to the emergency.	Yes 15.6.(e) (1) p99	No	No	No
CREATE JUSTICE REINVESTMENT COUNCIL (a) The Council shall act as an advisory body to the Commissioner of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice with regard to this Subpart. The Council shall consist of 12 members as follows, to be appointed as provided in subsection (b) of this section:(1) Two members of the Senate.(2) Two members of the House of Representatives.(3) A judge of the superior court.(4) A judge of the district court.(5) A district attorney.(6) A criminal defense attorney.(7) A county sheriff.(8) A chief of a city police department.(9) A victim service provider.(10) A member selected to represent behavioral health services.(b) The membership of the Council shall be selected as follows:(1) The Governor shall appoint the following members: the county sheriff, the chief of a city police department, and the member representing behavioral health services.(2) The Lieutenant Governor shall appoint the following members: the victim service provider.(3) The Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court shall appoint the following members: the superior court judge, the district court judge, the district attorney, and the criminal defense attorney.(4) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall appoint the following members: two members of the Senate.(5) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint the following members: two members of the House of Representatives. In appointing the members of the Council, the appointing authorities shall make every effort to ensure fair geographic representation of the Council membership and to ensure that minority persons and women are fairly represented.(c) The initial members shall serve staggered terms; one-third shall be appointed for a term of one year, one-third shall be appointed for a term of two years, and one-third shall be appointed for a term of three years. The members identified in subdivisions (1) through (5) of subsection (a) of this section shall be appointed initially for a term of one year. The members identified in subdivisions (6) through (10) in subsection (a) of this section shall be appointed initially for a term of two years. The terms of office of the initial members appointed under this section commence effective October 1, 2015. At the end of their respective terms of office their successors shall be appointed for terms of three years effective July 1. A vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term of office shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments for the remainder of the term. Members may be reappointed without limitation. (d) The purpose of the Justice Reinvestment Council in conjunction with the Department of Public Safety, Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice is to (i) recommend policy enhancements to the Justice Reinvestment Act of 2011; (ii) assist in the continued education of criminal justice system stakeholders; (iii) support implementation of the Justice Reinvestment Act of 2011; and (iv) identify new initiatives that further implementation of the Justice Reinvestment Act of 2011 and the Community Corrections Recidivism Reduction Plan."	Yes 16C.1. p115	No	No	No

	Governor	House	Senate	Final
ANIMAL WELFARE PROGRAM AND SPAY AND NEUTER PROGRAM The Animal Welfare Program and the Spay and Neuter Program shall remain in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The budget totals outlined in the Governor's Recommended Budget Bill titled the "Current Operations and Capital Improvements Appropriations Act of 2015," Section 2.1, Current Operations and Expansion/General Fund, shall be adjusted accordingly for the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Department of Public Safety.	Yes 13.1. p96	No	No	No
INMATE MEDICAL SERVICES/REQUEST FOR INFORMATION 5th Edition- SECTION 16C.5.(a) Not later than October 1, 2015, the Department of Public Safety shall issue a Request For Information (RFI) for a contractor to provide comprehensive medical care on a statewide basis to adult inmates and juvenile offenders in the custody of the Department. For purposes of this section, the term "comprehensive medical care" includes physical health services, mental health services, dental services, and pharmacy services, as well as inpatient hospitalization, outpatient care, specialty care, emergency department, dialysis services, and standardization of electronic health information records. SECTION 16C.5.(b) The RFI shall require responses to be due not later than 90 days after the date it is issued by the Department. SECTION 16C.5.(c) The Department shall evaluate the responses to the RFI and report the results of that evaluation, along with any recommendations related to them, to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety not later than 60 days after the final date for receipt of responses.	No	Yes 16C.5. p202	No	No

III. Proposed Legislation Related to the Department of Public Safety

Bill	Title	Last Action	Chamber
H4	**Clarify Unmanned Aircraft System Law.**	Re-ref Com On Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources	Senate
H19	**Waive Tuition/Fallen Officer Was Guardian.**	Re-ref Com On Education/Higher Education	Senate
H32	**Amend Habitual DWI.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
H38	**Judicial Efficiency/Effect. Admin. of Justice.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H56	**State Health Plan/Rehired Retiree Eligibility.**	Re-ref Com On Insurance	Senate
H60	**Passing Slow Moving Vehicles.**	Ref To Com On Transportation	House
H136	**Speed Limit/Highway Work Zone.**	Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H159	**Dog Breeding Stds./Law Enforcement Tools.**	Re-ref Com On Redistricting	Senate
H193	**Prohibit Discriminatory Profiling.**	Ref to the Com on Judiciary I, if favorable, Appropriations	House
H242	**White Collar Investigation.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H244	**Community Corr./Interstate Compact/Fund.**	Re-ref to Judiciary I. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget	Senate
H246	**Add Member/Crim. Just. Standards Comm.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary II	House
H253	**Justice Reinvestment Act Changes.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H281	**Records to Medical Examiner.**	Re-ref Com On Health Care	Senate
H282	**Streamline Seized Vehicle Disposal.**	Serial Referral To Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House Added	House
H290	**Prohibit Powdered Alcohol.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H292	**Beach Bingo Licenses.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H299	**Occ.Lic./Private Protective Svcs. Act Changes**	Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H319	**CDLs for Veterans Revisions.**	Ref To Com On Transportation	House
H328	**Highway Safety/Citizens Protection Act.**	Re-ref Com On Finance	House
H380	**Statewide School Safety Management.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H395	**Body and Dashboard Cameras/Law Enforcement.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
H405	**Property Protection Act.**	Gov Veto	Both
H419	**Protect Officers From Retaliation.**	Serial Referral To Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House Added	House
H445	**Reorganize Crim. Just. Standards Comm.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary II	House
H456	**Clarify Weight Limits/Ag. Vehicles.**	Re-ref to Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources. If fav, re-ref to Transportation	Senate
H477	**LEO Privacy Protection.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary II	Senate
H506	**911 Fund Distribution.**	Re-ref Com On Finance	House
H536	**School Bus Cameras/Civil Penalties.**	Re-ref to the Com on Judiciary III, if favorable, Finance	House
H537	**Protect Law Enforcement & Comm. Relationships.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
H563	**Strengthen Firearms Background Checks.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary I	House
H565	**Threaten LEO or Correctional Officer.**	Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H585	**Use of Deadly Force/SBI Investigations.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary I	House
H593	**Amend Environmental Laws-3.**	Re-ref Com On Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources	Senate
H599	**Impounding Vehicles with Lapsed/No Insurance.**	Ref to the Com on Insurance, if favorable, Judiciary I	House
H605	**Reduce Unfair Barriers to Public Employment.**	Ref to the Com on Judiciary I, if favorable, State Personnel, if favorable, Commerce and Job Development	House
H613	**Clarify Signs on Highways and Roads.**	Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H614	**JPS Study/Crim Rules of Discovery.**	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H615	**Probation Violation Court Costs.**	Ref to Judiciary II. If fav, re-ref to Finance	Senate
H618	**Drivers License/Concealed Carry.**	Serial Referral To Judiciary II Stricken	Senate
H625	**Brewery Law Revisions.**	Serial Referral To Finance Stricken	House
H641	**Amend Bail Bondsmen Statutes.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H650	**Expunction/Boating Violation.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary I	House

H656	**Amend Coal Ash Management Act of 2014.**	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H666	**WC/Firefighters'/Presumptive Cancer.**	Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H677	**State Ethics Comm. Revisions.**	Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H678	**Amend Innocence Commission Statutes.**	Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H686	**Repeal Death Penalty.**	Ref to the Com on Judiciary I, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H697	**Study/State Highway Patrol Staffing.**	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H699	**Gun Rights and Privacy Act.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary I	House
H707	**Prohibit Powdered Alcohol.**	Ref to the Com on Health, if favorable, Alcoholic Beverage Control	House
H708	**Preservation of Historic/Heritage Trees.**	Ref To Com On Ways & Means	Senate
H711	**Prohibit Counterfeit/Nonfunctional Air Bags.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H713	**Body & Dash Cam Recording/Public Access.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H722	**Allison's Law/GPS Tracking Pilot Prog/Dom Vio.**	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H725	**Gun Safety Act.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary I	House
H732	**No Recovery for Coal Ash Costs.**	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H740	**Allison's Law/GPS Tracking Pilot Prog/Dom Vio.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H753	**Prohibit Counterfeit/Nonfunctional Air Bags.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary II	House
H760	**Regulatory Reform Act of 2015.**	Ref to Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources. If fav, re-ref to Finance	Senate
H767	**GDAC Amendments.**	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H779	**IT Procurement/Promote Competition.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H783	**Define Locally Sourced/Public Contracts.**	Ref to the Com on Local Government, if favorable, Commerce and Job Development, if favorable, Finance	House
H793	**Privacy/Up Secret Peeping Punishment.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H794	**Protection from Online Impersonation.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H798	**Concealed Handgun Permit/Other Weapons.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary I	House
H801	**Same Firearm Protections for 50C as 50B Order.**	Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H804	**Kelsey Smith Act.**	Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H811	**Law Enforcement Body-Worn Camera/Study.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H813	**Results First Framework.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H815	**Sexual Assault/Sexual Consent.**	Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H820	**Zero-Base Budgeting.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
H824	**Concealed Handgun Permit/Admin. Law Judge.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H825	**School-to-Prison Pipeline/Study.**	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H827	**Alcohol Consumption & Overcrowding/Clubs.**	Ref to the Com on Alcoholic Beverage Control, if favorable, Regulatory Reform, if favorable, Judiciary I	House
H829	**Automatic License Plate Readers.**	Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H830	**North Carolina State Health Plan.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
H831	**Remove Raffle Value Restrictions.**	Ref to the Com on Regulatory Reform, if favorable, Judiciary III	House
H834	**NC/SC Original Border Confirmation.**	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H840	**NCNG Members/Reemployment Asst. Priority.**	Ref to the Com on Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs, if favorable, Commerce and Job Development	House
H841	**Reallocation of Closed NCNG Armory Funds.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
H856	**Expunctions Changes.**	Re-ref Com On Finance	House

H862	**State Emps./No Payroll Dues Deductions.**	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
H876	**Cell Phone Location Tracking.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary II	House
H880	**Detain Respondents for First Examinations.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H887	**Amend Criminal Contempt.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary II	House
H891	**Handgun Permit Standardization.**	Ref To Com On Judiciary I	House
H893	**Use of State Land for Equestrian Activities.**	Ref To Com On Wildlife Resources	House
H894	**Game Nights/Nonprofit Fund-Raiser.**	Serial Referral To Finance Added	House
H895	**ABC Stores/Lottery Ticket Vending Machine.**	Ref To Com On Alcoholic Beverage Control	House
H896	**Forcible Entry Into Car/Child Trapped Inside.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
H907	**Strengthen Military in NC/Mitigate BRAC Risk.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
H908	**DEM/Emp. Retention Funds/LRC Study.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
H922	**Video Sweepstakes Regulation and Taxation.**	Ref To Com On Finance	House
H935	**Criminal Procedure Changes/Drug Court Funds.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
H938	**Comprehensive Gaming Reform.**	Ref To Com On Finance	House
H939	**Restore Funding for Tobacco Use Prevention.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
H940	**2015 Governor's Budget.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations	House
S3	**State Emps./No Payroll Dues Deductions.**	Re-ref Com On Pensions & Retirement and Aging	Senate
S6	**State Health Plan/Rehired Retiree Eligibility.**	Ref to the Com on State Personnel, if favorable,	House
S127	**Personal Services Contracts/PED.**	Re-ref Com On Appropriations	House
S164	**Assist Inmate Reentry/Waived Fees.**	Re-ref Com On Finance	Senate
S251	**In-State Tuition For Certain Veterans.**	Re-ref to Education/Higher Education. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget	Senate
S276	**Bereavement Leave/State and School Employees.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S280	**Protect National Guard Reemployment Rights.**	Re-ref Com On Workforce and Economic Development	Senate
S308	**0.00 Alcohol Restriction-All DWI.**	Re-ref to Transportation. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary I	Senate
S309	**Amend Habitual DWI.**	Re-ref to Transportation. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary I	Senate
S331	**Juvenile Code Reform.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary II	Senate
S356	**Electronic Ads/Property Seized by Police.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary II	Senate
S361	**Occupational Licensing Reform Study.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S362	**Amend Certain Expunction Laws.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary II	Senate
S391	**County Omnibus Legislation.**	Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S392	**Left Turn on Red/DDI.**	Re-ref to Transportation. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary II	Senate
S393	**Brian Garlock Act.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S411	**Additional Expunction/Dismiss or Not Guilty.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S413	**State Employee State of Emergency Leave.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S453	**Regulatory Reform Act of 2015.**	Re-ref to Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources. If fav, re-ref to Finance	Senate
S514	**Clarify Laws on Exec. Orders and Appointments.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S516	**LEO Privacy Protection.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary II	Senate
S520	**Amend Indecent Exposure Law.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S539	**DOT/Workforce Reduction Compliance.**	Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S553	**Public Records/Access for NC Citizens Only.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S571	**Expand Uses of 911 Fee.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S575	**NC/SC Original Border Confirmation.**	Re-ref Com On Finance	Senate
S576	**Fair Competition & Emp. Classification Act.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S588	**Remove Revocation for Certain DWLR Offenses.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S589	**Habitual Felons/Clarify Previous Convictions.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S590	**Sex Offender/Unlawfully On Premises.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S595	**School Safety Act.**	Re-ref to Education/Higher Education. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary II	Senate
S599	**Highway Quick Clearance Amendments.**	Re-ref Com On Transportation	Senate

S603	**NC Accountability.**	Re-ref to Information Technology. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget	Senate
S605	**Various Changes to the Revenue Laws.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S610	**Healthy Pregnancies/Prisoners and Detainees.**	Re-ref Com On Health Care	Senate
S611	**The I WILL Act.**	Re-ref to Judiciary II. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget	Senate
S612	**Nondiscrimination in Public Employment.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S613	**Prohibit Discriminatory Profiling.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S619	**Grey's Law.**	Re-ref to Judiciary I. If fav, re-ref to Finance	Senate
S622	**UAS/No LEO Surveillance of Private Property.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S624	**Private Schools/Firearms Amendments.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S626	**Amend Expunction Laws.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S630	**PI Access to Criminal Court Records.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S633	**State and Local Gov. Transparency Act.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S634	**Use of Passing Lane/Increased Penalty.**	Re-ref to Transportation. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary I	Senate
S636	**Consolidate State Offices/Digital Docs Req'd.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S639	**Transportation Funding Bill.**	Re-ref Com On Transportation	Senate
S641	**Concealed Handgun Permit Standardization Act.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S644	**Death Penalty Moratorium.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S646	**Unlawful to Assist Another to Commit Suicide.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S648	**NC Firearms Freedom Act.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S651	**Clarify Statutory Scheme/Sex Offenses.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S653	**Seniors' Fraud Protection Act.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S655	**Clarify Board Appointments.**	Re-ref Com On Transportation	Senate
S656	**WC/2015 Omnibus Law Changes.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S660	**Dispose of Remaining Toxicology Funds.**	Re-ref to Judiciary I. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base	Senate
S661	**Private Labs Must Comply with CODIS.**	Re-ref Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	House
S662	**Appropriate Funds for Tobacco Use Prevention.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S663	**OSHR Modernization/Technical Changes.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S668	**Auto Insurance/Allow Optional Enhancements.**	Re-ref Com On Insurance	House
S684	**Waive Jury Trial/Procedures.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S686	**Limited Driving Privilege Changes.**	Re-ref Com On Judiciary I	Senate
S688	**2015 Tort Reform.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S708	**Homeland Security Patriot Act.**	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate	Senate
S713	**2015 Governor's Budget.**	Ref To Com On Appropriations/Base Budget	Senate

IV. Proposed DPS Items

DPS Item	Vehicle
Reserve Troopers Statute Would authorize the State Highway Patrol to appoint retired members as volunteer reserve officers and those reserve officers would be eligible to receive workers' compensation benefits for injuries incurred while performing assigned duties.	H924v3 7
Modernize Bingo laws. House Bill 292 would require a license to operate a beach bingo game. The initial application fee is $300, and the annual renewal fee is $300. House Bill 292 would also criminalize operating a beach bingo game without a license and providing false information on a license application as Class 2 misdemeanors.	H292
Suspension of lottery permits Add a 30-day suspension for lottery permits if 5 or more people are charged with certain criminal due to an undercover investigation. This change would mirror the ABC statute.	N/A
Pistol purchase statute for probations officers. Amend G.S. 14-404(d) to add "State Probation and Parole Officer" This language was left out when probation officers were added to be exempt from Concealed Carry Permit and Pistol Purchase Permit. If this is passed probation officers will not be required to get a pistol purchase permit when they buy their service weapon at retirement.	N/A
White Collar Investigation. House Bill 242 would expand the crimes for which an investigative grand jury can be convened to include violations involving: bribery, obstructing justice, buying and selling of public offices, failing to discharge duties, and public officers and employees benefitting from public contracts.	H242
Kelsey Smith Act - Pin Registry Would provide for warrantless access by law enforcement to telecommunications device location information under certain circumstances.	H804
Reserve SBI Agent Statute Would Authorize the Director of the State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) to appoint volunteer reserve agents and those reserve agents would be eligible to receive workers compensation benefits for injuries incurred while performing assigned duties.	H924v3 5
Occ.Lic./Private Protective Svcs. Act Changes- House bill 299 would authorize the Private Protective Services Board ("PPS Board") and the Alarm Systems Licensing Board to acquire, rent, or otherwise deal with real property with the approval of the Governor and the Council of State. H 299 also authorize the PPS Board to investigate activities by persons who are not licensed under Chapter 74D, and issue cease and desist letters with the concurrence of the Secretary of Public Safety. The bill would also authorizes the PPS Board to: (1) assess a late fee for a business entity licensee's failure to replace the qualifying agent within the time required and for an applicant's failure to make required payments within 90 days of being notified of pending licensure approval; (2) grant an extension of time to meet license renewal requirements if needed because of a licensee's physical disability or medical condition; and (3) suspend or revoke a trainee's certification for making false statements in the certification application. Finally, H 299 would modify the time in which a business entity licensed by the PPS Board must replace its qualifying agent after the agent's departure, and would require certain organizations employing an armed guard to be licensed by the PPS Board	H299
Emergency Preparedness and Response Fee Amend language in § 166A, SECTION 19 to establish an Emergency Preparedness and Response Fee that would be tied to the annual renewal of all residential and commercial property insurance policies. Fee receipts would replace appropriations for: offsetting the costs of North Carolina Emergency Management in carrying out its responsibilities as defined in G.S. 166A ($4.8M); and, (2) building up and maintaining the Contingency and Emergency Fund.	N/A
Clarify language concerning Satellite Based Monitoring determination hearings for out of state sex offenders. Amends G.S. 15A-1368.4 to add that the Section may require a post-release supervisee to abide by any of following conditions: 1) Perform up to 50 hours of community service and pay the fee for that supervision 2) Submit to a curfew requiring the offender to remain in a specified place for a specified period each day and wear a device that allows compliance to be monitored electronically 3) Submit to substance abuse assessment, monitoring, or treatment 4) Participate in an educational or vocational skills development program, including an evidence-based program 5) Submit to satellite-based monitoring, if the defendant is described by G.S. 14-208.40(a)(2); 6) Submit to house arrest with electronic monitoring. 7) Report to the offender's probation officer on a frequency determined by the officer. 8) Obtain a specific sex offender assessment and follow all recommended treatment 9) Obtain a mental health assessment and follow all recommended treatment.	H253 3
Allow for Post Release/Parole preliminary hearings to be conducted by video conference (already allowed for Commission revocation hearings). Would amends G.S. 143B-720 to allow the Post-Release Supervision and Parole Commission to conduct all hearings regarding violations of conditions of post-release supervision and all hearings regarding violation of conditions of parole by video conference. The section also adds that a hearing office may conduct the any following by video conference: Preliminary hearings regarding violation of conditions of post-release supervision or Preliminary hearings regarding violations of conditions of parole.	H253 6

DPS Item	Vehicle
Allow expansion of Delegated Authority to include DWI, 90-96 Conditional Discharge, Deferred Prosecution, Conditional Discharge and out of state cases (currently statute only allows this for Structured Sentencing cases) and add the ability to impose the following conditions through delegated authority: "obtain a specific sex offender assessment and follow all recommended treatment" and "obtain a mental health assessment and follow all recommended treatment"	H244
House Bill 244 would allow the Section of Community Corrections of the Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety to impose additional conditions of supervision on certain offenders, would include operational costs for the Community Corrections section in the Interstate Compact Fund, and would establish the process for determining whether a sex offender from another state transferred to this State must enroll in satellite-based monitoring.	1
Address and clarify terms of Confinement in Response to Violations (CRVs) to only be credited to the first sentence if defendant is revoked and consecutive sentences are activated.	H253
Amends G.S. 15-196.2 to provide that when two or more consecutive sentences are revoked because of a probation violation, credit for time served on concurrent confinements in response to violation under G.S. 15A-1344(d2) must be credited to only one sentence.	7
No longer allow the awarding of credit for time spent in custody as a result of a Post Release/Parole revocation proceeding against a three month re-imprisonment (CRV).	H253
Amends G.S. 15A-1368.3(c) to provide that if post-release supervision is revoked and a supervisee is re-imprisoned for violation of a condition, the Division of Adult Correction must award a prisoner credit against any term of re-imprisonment for all time spent in custody as a result of revocation proceedings unless as a result of a violation of the conditions the supervisee is returned to prison for a three-month period. Prohibits reducing the three-month period by credit for time already served and requires any such credit to be applied toward the maximum prison term.	4
Add "waiver of extradition" as regular condition of probation, file written pre-signed waiver with the Clerk of Court (pre-signed waivers are already being used for Post Release and Interstate Compact cases).	H253
Amends G.S. 15A-1343 to add as a regular condition of probation that a defendant must waive all rights relating to extradition proceedings if taken into custody outside of this state for failing to comply with the conditions imposed by the court. The section also adds the requirement that when the court orders supervised probation, the defendant must submit a signed document to the Division of Adult Correction for filing with the clerk of superior court, stating that (1) the defendant will comply with the court's conditions and (2) if the defendant fails to comply with the conditions and is taken into custody outside of this state, then the person waives all rights related to extradition proceedings.	1
Eliminate the Community Corrections Board by creating the Justice Reinvestment Council.	H253
Repeals the State Community Corrections Advisory Board, and establishes a 13-member Justice Reinvestment Council (Council). Members would be appointed by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Chief Justice, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House. The section provides that the Council's purpose is to: Recommend policy enhancements to the Justice Reinvestment Act of 2011, Assist in the continued education of criminal justice system stakeholders, Support implementation of the Justice Reinvestment Act of 2011, and Identify new initiatives that further implementation of the Justice Reinvestment Act of 2011 and the Adult Corrections Recidivism Reduction Plan.	5
Just Cause; Disciplinary action for State Employees	H924v3
Amends G.S. 126-35 by adding a new subsection to allow a state employee to be separated from employment due to availability, even if the employee has not exhausted their vacation, sick, bonus, or compensatory leave, if the employee is on workers' compensation or salary continuation and is unable to return to his or her previous positions or if the employee is unable to perform all the duties of their position due to a court order, loss of credential, or the loss of any other required certification.	9
Blue Light Program	N/A
Amend G.S. 143B-1023 by adding a new section to Establish a "Blue Alert Program" which will assist law enforcement in the apprehension of a suspect who allegedly kills, seriously injures, or abducts a law enforcement officer by rapidly disseminating information regarding the suspect. This system will fall under the NC Center for Missing Persons and function very similar to the "AMBER Alert system" at no additional cost.	
Amend Umstead Act for Samarcand	N/A
Amend G.S. 66-58, the Umstead Act, by adding Samarcand Training Academy. This will give the academy the flexibility to sell items since it is an overnight training facility. All over State training centers are already included in that statute.	

Chapter 5:
Reports

I. Reports Required by DPS
II. Reports Submitted by DPS in 2014/2015

Report	Statute	Due Date	Gov Ops	JPS Chairs	Approps Chairs	JPS Over-sight	FRD	GA
Division of Administration								
Position Reclassification Report	S.L. 2014-100, 16A.3	Within 30 days		x			x	
Federal Grant Matching Funds	S.L. 2015-241, 16A.1(b)	Prior to use		x				
Governor's Crime Commission Grants	G.S. 143B-602(7)	Prior to grant notification			x			
Positions Vacant 12 Months or More Annual Report	G.S. 120-12.1	February 1		x	x			
Victims' Compensation Program Annual Report	G.S. 15B-21	March 15		x		x		
Federal Grant Funds Annual Report	S.L. 2015-241, 16A.1(a)	May 1		x				
Body-worn Camera Grants Guidelines and Procedures	S.L. 2015-241, 16A.8(b)	November 1, 2015		x		x		
Body-worn Camera Grants FY 2015-16 Grant Awards	S.L. 2015-241, 16A.8(b)	August 1, 2016		x		x		
Body-worn Camera Grants FY 2016-17 Grant Awards	S.L. 2015-241, 16A.8(b)	August 1, 2017		x		x		
Utilization of Bond Proceeds Quarterly Report	2015 H943	Quarterly January 1, 2017			x			
Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Prisons								
Inmate Medical Cost Containment	G.S. 143B-707.3 (c)	Quarterly		x		x		
Center for Community Transitions	S.L. 2015-241, 16C.2	February 1		x				
Payments for Jail Backlog	S.L. 2015-241, 16C.1	February 1		x		x		
Medical Release	G.S. 143B-707.2(b)	March 1		x		x		
Contracts for Housing State Prisoners	G.S. 148-37(i)	March 1	x			x		
Inmate Grievance Resolution Board Changes	S.L. 2015-241, 16C.13B	October 1		x		x		
Status of Execution Team Annual Report	G.S. 15-190(b)	October 1				x		
Safekeepers Annual Report	G.S. 143B-707.4	October 1		x		x		
Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Community Corrections								
Reclassification of Vacant Positions for Community Corrections	S.L. 2014-100, 16C.11	March 1, 2015		x				
Electronic Monitoring/Global Positioning Systems for Sex Offender	G.S. 143B-707.1(b)	March 1		x		x		
Probation and Parole Annual Report	G.S. 143B-707.1(a)	March 1		x		x		
Status of the Treatment for Effective Community Supervision Program	G.S. 143B-1155(c)	March 1		x	x	x		
Substance Abuse Program Annual Report	G.S. 143B-707	March 1		x	x			
Broaden Access to Community Treatment Report	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.14	September 1, 2015 & 2016		x				
Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Juvenile Justice								
Closure of Youth Development Center	G.S. 143B-806(b)(2)	Prior to Closure	x					
Federal Grant Matching Funds	S.L. 2013-360, 16D.8	Prior to allocation	x	x				
Monthly Commitment Report	G.S. 143B-822	First of the month					x	
JCPC Grants Annual Report	G.S. 143B-852	February 1	x		x		x	
Alternatives to Detention Report	G.S. 143B-1104(c)	March 1		x				
Community Programs Annual Evaluation	G.S. 143B-811	March 1		x		x		
Use of Community Program Funds	S.L. 2015-241, 16D.1.(c)	October 1 2015 & 16		x			x	
YDC Annual Report	G.S. 143B-810	October 1		x		x	x	

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Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice - Prisons								
Mutual Agreement Parole Program Annual Report	G.S. 143B-707.2(a)	March 1		x		x		
Parole Eligibility Report (Parole Commission)	G.S. 143B-721.1	April 1		x		x		
State Bureau of Investigation/Alcohol Law Enforcement								
Federal Seized/Forfeited Assets	S.L. 2015-241, 16B.1	Upon Receipt/Prior to use		x				
Domestic Violence Homicide Report	G.S. 143B-901	February 1				x		
Meth Annual Report (to Leg. Comm. on Methamphetamine Abuse)	G.S. 90-113.64	March 1				x		
Expunction Report	G.S. 15A-160	September 1				x		
SBI Needle Disposal Pilot Project	2015 H712	December 1, 2016				x		
Background Checks for Private Transfer of Firearms	S.L. 2015-195, 10.5	January 1, 2019				x		
State Highway Patrol/State Capitol Police								
Federal Seized/Forfeited Assets	S.L. 2015-241, 16B.1	Upon Receipt/Prior to use		x				
State Capitol Police Receipt Supported Position Creation	S.L. 2015-241, 16B.4(c)	Within 30 days		x			x	
VIPER Annual Report	S.L. 2015-241, 16B.2	March 1				x		
GangNet Annual Report	G.S. 20-196.5	March 1		x		x		
State Capitol Police Annual Position Report	S.L. 2015-241, 16B.4(b)	September 1				x		
Division of Emergency Management								
Coal Ash Commission Report	G.S.130A-309.202(m)	Quarterly						ERC
National Guard								
National Guard Non-General Fund Project Expenditures	G.S.143C-8-12	As needed	x					
Armory and Facility Development Project Plan	G.S. 127A-210	July 1						x
Family Assistance Centers Annual Report	S.L. 2011-185, 1(b)	September 1		x				

II. Reports Submitted by the Department of Public Safety in 2014/2015

Report	Date Submitted	Statute
Division of Administration		
Annual Report on Positions Vacant 12 Months or More	February 24, 2015	G.S. 120-12.1
Victims' Compensation Program Annual Report	March 15, 2015	G.S. 15B-21
Governor's Crime Commission Annual Gang Report	March 17, 2015	G.S. 143B-1101(b)
Annual Report on Federal Grant Funds	May 1, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16A.1(a)
Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice		
Annual Report on Status of Execution Team	October 1, 2014	G.S. 15-190(b)
Annual Report on Safekeepers	October 1, 2014	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.5
Annual Report on YDCs- 2014	October 1, 2014	G.S. 143B-810
Inmate Medical Cost Containment- FY 2014-15, 1st Q	October 21, 2014	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.4(c)
Payments for Jail Backlog- FY 2014-15, 1st Q	January 1, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.2
Inmate Medical Cost Containment, FY 2014-15, 2nd Q	February 1, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.4(c)
Annual Report on JCPC Grants	February 1, 2015	G.S. 143B-852
Report on Probation and Parole	February 19, 2015	G.S. 143B-707.1(a)
Electronic Monitoring/Global Positioning Systems for Sex Offender	February 19, 2015	G.S. 143B-707.1(b)
Reclassification of Vacant Positions for Community Corrections	February 19, 2015	S.L. 2014-744, 16C.11(b)
Status of the Treatment for Effective Community Supervision Program	February 20, 2015	G.S. 143B-1155(c)
Substance Abuse Program Annual Report	March 1, 2015	G.S. 143B-707
Medical Release	March 1, 2015	G.S. 143B-707.2(b)
Alternatives to Detention Report	March 1, 2015	G.S. 143B-1104(c)
Annual Evaluation of Community Programs	March 1, 2015	G.S. 143B-811
Mutual Agreement Parole Program Annual Report	March 4, 2015	G.S. 143B-707.2(a)
Payments for Jail Backlog, FY 2014- 15, 2nd Q	March 9, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.2
Parole Eligibility Report (Parole Commission)	April 27, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.11(c)
Inmate Medical Cost Containment, FY 2014-15 3rd Q	May 1, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.4(c)
Status of Capital Projects	June 1, 2015	S.L. 2013-360 36.7
Study 340B Drug Pricing	June 22, 2015	S.L. 2014-100, Sec. 16C.13
Payments for Jail Backlog- FY 2014-15, 3rd Q	June 25, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.2
Report on Contracts for Housing State Prisoners	March 31, 2015	G.S. 148-37(i)
Inmate Medical Cost Containment- FY 2014-15, 4th Q	July 17, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16C.4(c)
Emergency Management		
Coal Ash Commission Report	December 10, 2014	G.S.130A-309.202(m)
Coal Ash Commission Report	October 17, 2014	G.S.130A-309.202(m)
Urban Search and Rescue Program Report	January 15, 2015.	S.L. 2014-27, Sec. 5
Coal Ash Commission Report	April 30, 2015	G.S.130A-309.202(m)
Coal Ash Commission Report	July 31, 2015	G.S.130A-309.202(m)

Report	Date Submitted	Statute
Division of Law Enforcement		
SHP Seized Assets	July 17, 2014	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.1
SHP Seized Assets	October 7, 2014	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.1
SHP Seized Assets	October 7, 2014	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.1
ALE Seized Assets	November 20, 2014	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.1
SBI Transfer Progress Report - 1st Interim	January 9, 2015	S.L. 2014-100, 17.1(bbbb)
SHP Experience Credit for Salaries	February 1, 2015	S.L. 2014-100, Sec. 35.11A
Commercial Vehicle Inspection Report*	February 1, 2015	S.L. 2014-103, Sec. 4
VIPER Quarterly Report	February 1, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.5
Domestic Violence Homicide Report	March 12, 2015	G.S. 143B-901
SBI Transfer Progress Report - 2nd Interim	March 26, 2015	S.L. 2014-100, 17.1(bbbb)
ALE Seized Assets	April 20, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.1
VIPER Quarterly Report	April 29, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.5
ALE Seized Assets	June 10, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.1
VIPER Quarterly Report	July 1, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.5
ALE Seized Assets	July 10, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.1
SHP Seized Assets	July 29, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.1
SHP Seized Assets	September 8, 2015	S.L. 2013-360, 16B.1
National Guard		
National Guard Project Status	June 1, 2015	S.L 2013-360, 36.11(d)

2015 Legislative Reports/Summaries

UNC School of Government

NC Sheriffs Association

NC League of Municipalities

NC Association of County Commissioners

State Employees Association of North Carolina

Public Schools of North Carolina

NC Child

NC Coalition Against Domestic Violence