

# ALERTS

## North Carolina Legislative Report - June 26, 2015

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The General Assembly convened for the 2015 legislative session on January 14. Lawmakers returned to Raleigh on January 28 to begin the session in earnest. The MVA Public Affairs Legislative Report on North Carolina will be distributed on a weekly basis to keep you up to date on the latest legislative issues facing the state.

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### *On The Floor*

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### *Committees*

#### **House Finance Committee**

The Committee met on Tuesday and Thursday of this week. At both meetings, the Committee heard presentations on the finance portion of H 97, 2015 Appropriations act, as passed by the Senate. No other bills were discussed.

#### **Senate Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources**

The Committee met on Wednesday, June 24, to address three bills. H 255, Building Code Regulatory Reform, makes various changes to the laws relating to the State Building Code. H 255 received a favorable report in Committee and was passed on the Senate floor. H 634, Stormwater/Built-Upon Area Clarification, clarifies the definition of built-upon area for purposes of stormwater programs. H 255 received a favorable report in Committee and passed a second reading on the Senate floor. H 705, Amend Septic Tank Requirements, would broaden the types of septic tank systems that could serve as a replacement system in case of failure of the original, make management changes for sand line trench systems, and repeal rules for Sapro-lite system modifications. H 705 received a favorable report in Committee and was given approval on the Senate floor.

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### Senate Finance Committee

The Committee met on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. On Wednesday, June 24, the Committee approved two bills. H 307, Zebulon Charter/Use of Certain Fees, would amend the charter of the Town of Zebulon to make the several changes for road or drainage project fees, open space project fees, and recreation project fees. H 356, NCUC Reg. Fee Changes, would increase the amount of funding reserves the Utilities Commission and the Public Staff could maintain, set the utility regulatory fee in statute, partially increase the fee for the 2015 fiscal year, and authorize the Commission to raise and lower the fee based on operating expenses.

On Thursday, June 25, the Committee approved the following local bills dealing with annexation or deannexation: H 266 City of Lenoir/Satellite Annexation; H 400, Town of Mint Hill/Annexations; H 411, Town of Angier/Deannexation; H 412, City of Dunn Annexation; H 426, Town of Weldon/Deannexation; H 493, Lake Lure Deannexation; and H 526, Town of Norwood/Deannexation.

### *In The News*

Charlotte Observer: [McCrory hits trouble with plan to pay for roads by borrowing](#)

Raleigh News and Observer: [McCrory signs 'biscuit bill,' 11 others](#)

Raleigh News and Observer: [Hagan: 'My role going forward is as a citizen ... not as an elected US senator'](#)

Associated Press: [NC lawmakers have work to do on stop-gap spending plan](#)

Charlotte Observer: [NC Senate provisions could raise bank taxes](#)

News & Observer: [Supreme Court ruling brings stability to NC health insurance market](#)

Charlotte Observer: [Charlotte leaders, on Nashville trip, talk health care and transit](#)

Charlotte Observer: [Duke Energy to close 12 NC coal ash ponds](#)

### *Calendar*

#### **Mon, June 29, 2015**

1:30 PM

Session Convenes (Senate)

Senate

7:00 PM

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Session Convenes (House)

House

**Tue, June 30, 2015**

8:30 AM

Appropriations, Transportation (House)

1228/1327 LB

8:30 AM

Appropriations, Education -- CORRECTED (House)

423 LOB

8:30 AM

Appropriations, General Government (House)

425 LOB

8:30 AM

Finance (House)

Roanoke Island Fire District Changes. (H389)  
Increase/Modify Goldsboro Occupancy Tax. (H531)

643 LOB

9:00 AM

Appropriations, Justice and Public Safety (House)

415 LOB

10:00 AM

Judiciary I, Subcommittee on H215 (Senate)

Procedure for Waiver of Jury Trial. (H215)

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1027/1128 LB

10:00 AM

Senator Stein Press Conference

Press Room LB

12:00 PM

State and Local Government (Senate)

County Sign Ordinance in Municipal Parks. ([H544](#))  
Clarify Political Sign Ordinance Authority. ([H613](#))

423 LOB

12:00 PM

Transportation (House)

Automatic License Plate Readers. ([S182](#))  
Restore Driving Privileges/Competency. ([S349](#))  
Equalize Tax on Propane Used as a Motor Fuel. ([S448](#))  
Map Act/Clarifications. (For Discussion Only) ([S654](#))

643 LOB

12:00 PM

Senator Tarte Press Conference

Press Room LB

1:00 PM

Insurance (House)

Autism Health Insurance Coverage. ([S676](#))

1228/1327 LB

1:00 PM

Judiciary II (House)

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Employee Misclassification Reform. ([H482](#))  
DOB Redaction Requests For Public Documents. ([S29](#))

421 LOB

**Wed, July 01, 2015**

8:30 AM

[Appropriations, Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources](#) (House)

421 LOB

8:30 AM

[Appropriations, Education -- CORRECTED](#) (House)

423 LOB

8:30 AM

[Appropriations, General Government](#) (House)

425 LOB

**Thu, July 02, 2015**

8:30 AM

[Appropriations, Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources](#) (House)

421 LOB

**Thu, August 06, 2015**

12:00 PM

Rep. Rodney Moore - Press Conference - 50th Anniversary of Voting Rights Acts.

[Press Room LB](#)