

ALERTS

North Carolina Legislative Report - August 21, 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

Budget Conference Committee

House and Senate budget conferees met Tuesday, August 18, and agreed to a \$21.735 billion spending level. Budget negotiations will continue next week.

House Education Committee

The Committee met on Tuesday, August 18, to address one bill. S 561, Career and College Ready Graduates, would require the State Board of Community Colleges to develop a program providing community college remediation to high school seniors beginning with the 2016-2017 school year. S 561 received a favorable report and was placed on the calendar before being pulled and sent to the House Rules Committee.

House Finance Committee

The House Finance Committee met on Thursday, August 20, and approved three bills. S 541, Regulate Transportation Network Companies, would regulate transportation network companies (TNC) by requiring a State permit to operate, maintenance of liability insurance for cars, and background checks for drivers. The bill would impose a \$5,000 application fee for the permit and a \$5,000 renewal fee. S 541 also would add vehicles operated in a TNC service to the list of vehicles that can transport persons for compensation without a for-hire license plate. Mt. Gilead Charter Revision and Consolidation, S 156, seeks to revise and consolidate

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the charter of the Town of Mount Gilead. S 399, Joint Agency Tax Refund, would allow a joint agency to provide police protection, fire protection and emergency services a refund of sales and use taxes paid and to direct the Revenue Laws Study Committee to examine the application of the exemption of the motor fuels tax to entities comprised of multiple local government units.

In The News

Winston-Salem Journal: N.C. House rejects Senate version of economic-development bill

Raleigh News & Observer: [PPP] Poll: McCrory, Cooper statistically even

Raleigh News & Observer: Legislators near Medicaid deal as agency fights for its future

Raleigh News & Observer: Deal on \$21.735 billion state budget target could sacrifice worker raises

Charlotte Observer: Transportation vote won't stop fight against I-77 toll lanes

Charlotte Observer: Charlotte mayor's race: Meet the candidates

Calendar

Mon, August 24, 2015

1:30 PM

Session Convenes (Senate)

Senate

4:00 PM

Session Convenes (House)

House

4:00 PM

Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee, Joint Legislative Subcommittee on Real Property
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Tue, August 25, 2015

12:00 PM

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Transportation (House)

Administration of Logo Sign Program. (S304)

643 LOB

Wed, August 26, 2015

11:00 AM

Rep. Harrison - Press Conference

Press Room LB

12:30 PM

Judiciary III (House)

School Bus Cameras/Civil Penalties. (S298)

Increase Punishment/Misd. Death by Vehicle. (S378)

Amend Child Custody Laws. (S519)

Amend Bail Bond Laws. (Discussion Only) (S508)

Prohibit Re-Homing of an Adopted Minor Child. (Discussion Only) (S652)

421 LOB

3:00 PM

Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee

Agenda: Report on State Employee Post Tax Group Benefits

544 LOB