New Bills Tracked by NCSBA Filed Feb 20 – 24, 2017

Bill: HB136

Sponsors: Lambeth (R75); Dobson (R85); Hanes (D72); Horn (R68)

Title: LOWER COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AGE FROM 7 TO 6

Summary: An Act to Lower the Age When a Child is Compelled to Begin Attending School from Seven

Years to Six Years.

Cospons: Wray (D27); Holley (D38); Graham, G. (D12); Reives (D54); Hunter (D5); Richardson, B. (D7);

Steinberg (R1); Gill (D33); Farmer-Butterfield (D24); Lucas, M. (D42)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/21/2017 – House Committee On Education

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB145

Sponsors: Speciale (R3); Pittman (R82); Adams (R96)

Title: REPEAL CONST. REG. OF CONCEALED WEAPONS

Summary: An Act to Repeal the Constitutional Provision Allowing the Regulation of Carrying a Concealed

Weapon.

Cospons: Ford, C. (R76); Rogers (R112); Brody (R55); Shepard (R15); Jones (R65)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/22/2017 – House Committee On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

Position: Oppose

Bill: HB149

Sponsors: Conrad (R74); Jackson, D. (D39); Elmore (R94); Gill (D33)

Title: STUDENTS W/DYSLEXIA AND DYSCALCULIA

Summary: An Act to Require the State Board of Education and Local Boards of Education to Implement a

Screening Program to Identify Students with Dyslexia and Dyscalculia.

Cospons: Carney, B. (D102); Fisher (D114); Harrison (D57); Floyd (D43); Jones (R65); Hardister (R59);

Ross, S. (R63); Graham, G. (D12); Terry (D71); Adcock (D41); Bradford (R98); Hunter (D5); Turner, B. (D116); Beasley (D92); Murphy (R9); Yarborough (R2); Brockman (D60); Ager

(D115); Richardson, B. (D7); Hanes (D72); Steinberg (R1); Holley (D38); Jordan (R93); Faircloth (R61); Hurley (R70); Wray (D27); Farmer-Butterfield (D24); Lucas, M. (D42); Setzer (R89)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/22/2017 – House Committee On Education

Position: Oppose

Bill: HB155

Sponsors: Hall, K. (R91); Conrad (R74); Bell, L. (D21); Floyd (D43) **Title:** MODIFY EDUCATOR LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

Summary: An Act to Expand Activities Qualifying for Continuing Licensure of Retired Teachers, Exempt

Members of the General Assembly for Continuing Education Requirements for Teachers, and

Allow School Boards to Hire Retired Educators to Serve as Interim Principals.

Cospons: Graham, G. (D12); Terry (D71); Hanes (D72); Riddell (R64); Lucas, M. (D42)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/22/2017 – House Committee On Education

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB157

Sponsors: Faircloth (R61); Stevens, S. (R90); Jordan (R93); Davis, T. (R19)

Title: CERTIFYING QUESTION MECHANISM

Summary: An Act to Provide a Certifying Question Mechanism to Allow Federal Courts to Have the North

Carolina Supreme Court Determine Federal Cases Involving the Interpretation of State Law.

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/22/2017 – House Committee On Judiciary III

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB159

Sponsors: Turner, R. (R84); Williams (R37)

Title: CHARTER SCHOOL TSERS ELECTION

Summary: An Act to Extend the Amount of Time a Charter School Has to Elect to Become a Participating

Employer in the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System .

Cospons: Yarborough (R2)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/22/2017 – House Committee On Education

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB161

Sponsors: Ross, S. (R63); Szoka (R45); Hardister (R59); Richardson, W. (D44) **Title:** DIVESTMENT FROM COMPANIES THAT BOYCOTT ISRAEL

Summary: An Act Requiring State Divestment From, and Prohibiting State Agencies from Contracting With,

Companies that Boycott Israel.

Cospons: Dollar (R36); Blackwell (R86); Stevens, S. (R90); Iler (R17); Torbett (R108); Goodman (D66);

Jordan (R93); Saine (R97); Ford, C. (R76); Riddell (R64); Hanes (D72); Bradford (R98); Yarborough (R2); Grange (R20); Williams (R37); Stone (R105); Hunter (D5); Dobson (R85); Steinberg (R1); Malone (R35); McNeill (R78); Shepard (R15); Jones (R65); Collins (R25); Faircloth (R61); Jackson, D. (D39); Burr (R67); Hurley (R70); Wray (D27); Lucas, M. (D42)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/22/2017 – House Committee On Pensions and Retirement

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB162

Sponsors: Jordan (R93); Stevens, S. (R90); Hardister (R59); Floyd (D43)

Title: AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE LAWS

Summary: An Act to Authorize Agencies to Make Rule Technical Corrections Without Review by the Rules

Review Commission and to Authorize the Codifier of Rules to Make Rule Technical Corrections, to Clarify that a Party May Commence a Contested Case in a Dispute with an Agency Without Petitioning the Agency for Rule Making or Obtaining a Declaratory Ruling, and to Revise the Process for the Review and Readoption of Existing Rules, as Recommended by the Joint

Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee.

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/23/2017 – House Committee On Judiciary III

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB166 Sponsors: Lewis (R53)

Title: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEXIBILITY/CLEVELAND COUNTY

Summary: An Act to Provide Additional Flexibility to Cleveland County Schools in Adopting the School

Calendar.

Cospons: Jackson, D. (D39); Lambeth (R75); Brockman (D60); Rogers (R112); Hunter (D5); Reives (D54);

Jones (R65); Harrison (D57); Lucas, M. (D42)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/23/2017 – House Committee On Education

Position: Support

Bill: HB167

Sponsors: Richardson, B. (D7)

Title: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./FRANKLIN COUNTY

Summary: An Act to Provide Additional Flexibility to the Franklin County Board of Education in Adopting

the School Calendar.

Cospons: Jackson, D. (D39); Lambeth (R75); Reives (D54); Hunter (D5); Brockman (D60); Holley (D38);

Jones (R65); Harrison (D57); Lucas, M. (D42)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/23/2017 – House Committee On Education

Position: Support

Bill: HB170

Sponsors: Hanes (D72); Lambeth (R75)

Title: PILOT/SPORTS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Summary: An Act to Authorize the Department of Public Instruction to Use Funds to Conduct a Pilot

Program on Integrated Community-Based Adapted Sports Programs for Students with Disabilities.

Cospons: Pierce (D48); Floyd (D43); Davis, T. (R19); Reives (D54); Brockman (D60); Grange (R20);

Murphy (R9); Bradford (R98); Graham, G. (D12); Gill (D33); Harrison (D57); Bell, L. (D21);

Lucas, M. (D42)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/23/2017 – House Committee On Appropriations

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB174

Sponsors: Turner, R. (R84)

Title: CONCEALED CARRY/CHURCH SCHOOL PROP

Summary: An Act to Provide that a Person Who Has a Concealed Handgun Permit May Carry a Handgun on

Educational Property that is the Location of Both a School and a Place of Religious Worship

Outside the Operating Hours of the School.

Cospons: Faircloth (R61); Jones (R65); Rogers (R112); Shepard (R15); Collins (R25); Burr (R67); Hurley

(R70)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/23/2017 – House Committee On Judiciary I

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB176

Sponsors: Ross, S. (R63); Collins (R25); McNeill (R78)

Title: PENSIONS INTEGRITY ACT OF 2017.-AB

Summary: An Act to Make Changes that will Assist in Preventing and Detecting Fraud, Waste, and Abuse

and in Ensuring the Fiscal Integrity of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System, the

Retiree Health Benefit, and the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System.

Cospons: Conrad (R74); Martin (R8)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/23/2017 – House Committee On Pensions and Retirement

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB177

Sponsors: Floyd (D43); Jordan (R93); Michaux (D31); Graham, C. (D47)

Title: ELIMINATE SECOND PRIMARIES **Summary:** An Act to Eliminate Second Primaries.

Cospons: Alexander, K. (D107); Terry (D71); Jackson, D. (D39); Pierce (D48); Lucas, M. (D42)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee **Status:** 02/23/2017 – First reading in the House

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB179

Sponsors: Saine (R97); Jordan (R93); Bradford (R98); Harrison (D57) **Title:** DOG BREEDING STDS./LAW ENFORCEMENT TOOLS

Summary: An Act to Establish Standards of Care for Large Commercial Dog Breeding Facilities and to

Provide Law Enforcement with Tools to Ensure that Dogs at Those Facilities are Treated

Humanely.

Cospons: Martin, G. (D34); Conrad (R74); Turner, B. (D116); Hardister (R59); Wray (D27); Fisher (D114)

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/23/2017 – House Committee On Judiciary II

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB183

Sponsors: Collins (R25); Ross, S. (R63); McNeill (R78)

Title: RETIREMENT ADMIN. CHANGES ACT OF 2017.-AB

Summary: An Act to Make Clarifying and Administrative Changes to the Teachers' and State Employees'

Retirement System and the Local Government Employees' Retirement System Laws and Related

Statutes.

Progress: 1st Chamber: Referred to Committee

Status: 02/23/2017 – House Committee On Pensions and Retirement

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB185

Sponsors: Alexander, K. (D107); Carney, B. (D102); Harrison (D57); Moore, R. (D99)

Title: LEGALIZE MEDICAL MARIJUANA

Summary: An Act Establishing the North Carolina Medical Cannabis Act.

Cospons: Hanes (D72); Turner, B. (D116); Lehman (D30); Ager (D115); Holley (D38); Fisher (D114)

Progress: Filed

Status: 02/22/2017 – Filed in the House

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB186

Sponsors: McGrady (R117); Lucas, M. (D42); Goodman (D66); Davis, T. (R19)

Title: REPEAL HB2/STATE NONDISCRIMINATION POLICIES

Summary: An Act Repealing S.L. 2016-99 and S.L. 2016-3; Preempting Regulation of Access to Bathrooms,

Showers, and Changing Facilities; Expanding State Protected Classes as to Employment and Public Accommodations; Allowing Local Nondiscrimination Ordinances and Optional Referenda;

and Enhancing Criminal Penalties Related to Offenses in Certain Public Accommodations.

Cospons: Faircloth (R61); Moore, R. (D99); Malone (R35); Graham, G. (D12); Fraley (R95); Murphy (R9);

Grange (R20); Bradford (R98); Hanes (D72); Ross, S. (R63); Hardister (R59); Horn (R68); Dollar

(R36); Johnson, L. (R83)

Progress: Filed

Status: 02/22/2017 – Filed in the House

Position: Neutral

Bill: HB188

Sponsors: Dobson (R85)

Title: SCHOOL CALENDAR FLEX./CERTAIN SYSTEMS

Summary: An Act to Provide Additional Flexibility to Certain School Systems in Adopting the School

Calendar.

Cospons: Rogers (R112); Brockman (D60); Harrison (D57)

Progress: Filed

Status: 02/23/2017 – Filed in the House

Position: Support

Bill: HB196

Sponsors: Davis, T. (R19); Howard (R79)

Title: ZIP LINES/CHALLENGE COURSES/SANDERS' LAW

Summary: An Act to Regulate Zip Lines and Challenge Courses and to Provide that the Act Shall be Entitled

"Sanders' Law."

Cospons: Harrison (D57); Setzer (R89)

Progress: Filed

Status: 02/23/2017 – Filed in the House

Position: Neutral

Bill: SB126

Sponsors: Brown, H. (R6)

Title: CHANGE THE LOST ADJUSTMENT FACTOR

Summary: An Act to Change the Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) Adjustment Factor to One that Varies by

Economic Development Tiers.

Cospons: McInnis (R25); Rabin (R12); Davis, J. (R50) **Progress:** 1st Chamber: Reported from Committee **Status:** 02/23/2017 – Senate Committee On Finance

Position: Neutral

Bill: SB131

Sponsors: Wells (R42); Cook (R1); Sanderson (R2) **Title:** REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2016

Summary: An Act to Amend Certain Environmental, Natural Resources, and Other Laws.

Cospons: Progress: Status: Clark (D21); Rabin (R12)

Filed

02/23/2017 – Filed in the Senate

Position: Neutral