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HB 451	Election Omnibus	Voter Suppression	Games (Primary) Arp, Blust, R. Brawley, Brody, Whitmire <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+451&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+451&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Eliminates all early voting on Sundays. Cuts a full week from the early voting period. Repeals same-day voter registration during the early voting period.  H. COMM ON ELECTIONS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 3/28
SB 428	Voting Reform Act	Voter Suppression	Tillman (Primary) Brock, Daniel, Hise, Randleman <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+428&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+428&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Cuts a full week from the early voting period. Repeals same-day voter registration during the early voting period.  S. COMM ON RULES & OPERATIONS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 3/27
HB 589	Voter Information Verification Act	Voter Suppression	Warren, Murry, T. Moore, Samuelson (Primary) Arp, Avila, J. Bell, Blust, R. Brawley, W. Brawley, Brody, B. Brown, R. Brown, Bryan, Bumgardner, Burr, Catlin, Collins, Conrad, Davis, Hardister, Hastings, Horn, Howard, Hurley, Iler, Jeter, Jones, Jordan, Lambeth, Malone, Martin, McElraft, McGrady, McNeill, Millis, Moffitt, Pittman, Presnell, Ramsey, Riddell, S. Ross, Saine, Schaffer, Setzer, Shepard, Spedale, Stam, Steinburg, Stevens, Skoza, Torbett, Turner, Whitmire <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+589&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+589&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Creates strict Voter Identification Requirement.  AMENDED: State Board of Elections shall work with counties where there is no DMV & reimburse certain local governments for direct costs.  AMENDED: Tribal enrollment cards acceptable.  AMENDED: Registered voter who is victim of a natural disaster (60 days before election day) exempt.  S. COMM. ON RULES & OPERATIONS	PASSED House 4/24  PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Senate Reading 4/25
SB 666	Election Law Changes	Voter Suppression	Cook, Sanderson, Rabin (Primary) Randleman, Soucek <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+666&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+666&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Prohibits the child dependency tax deduction (\$2,500) for parents if their child registers to vote in the town or city where they attend school instead of their parents' address. Allows poll observers to move about more freely in the polling place.  S. COMM ON RULES & OPERATIONS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 4/3
SB 721	Election Omnibus	Voter Suppression	Newton, Barefoot, Bingham, Brock, Cook, Daniel, Hise, Jackson, Rabin, Randleman, Sanderson, Soucek, Tucker <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?</a>	(1) Enforces 5-year waiting period, after a person convicted of a felony has served their time, before they can get their voting rights back (Having their rights restored must be approved unanimously by county board of elections). (2) Requires strict government-issued photo ID to vote and financial hardship oath	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 4/3

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			<a href="#">Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+721&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	to obtain free identification. (3) Cuts full week from the early voting period. Ends Sunday voting. S COMMON RULES & OPERATIONS	
SB 668	Restrict Mentally Incompetent from Voting	Voter Suppression Constitution Amendment	Cook, Rabin (Primary) Newton, Randieman <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+668&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+668&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Amends the state constitution to disqualify voters deemed "mentally incompetent."  S COMMON RULES & OPERATIONS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 4/3
HB 4/ S6 S.L. 2013-2	UI Fund Solvency & Program Changes	Anti- Poor & Working People	Howard, Warren, Starnes, Setzer (Primary) Arp, Avila, R. Brawley, W. Brawley, B. Brown, Bryan, Bumgardner, Cleveland, Conrad, Dockham, Faircloth, Horn, Iler, Jones, Langdon, McGrady Moffitt, Murry, Schaffer, Shepard, Szoka <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+4&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+4&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Shashes state unemployment benefits and denies federally funded Emergency Unemployment Compensation – that is, benefits after 26 weeks of unemployment – to 170,000 unemployed North Carolinians.  SIGNED INTO LAW: Ch. S.L. 2013-2	PASSED House 2/5  PASSED Senate 2/13  SIGNED BY GOV. 2/19
HB 82/ S64 S.L. 2013-10	Internal Revenue Code Update	Anti- Poor & Working People	Howard (Primary) R. Brawley, Ruchie, Rabin, Raben <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+82&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+82&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Reduced the state Earned Income Tax Credit that helps low-wage workers.  SIGNED INTO LAW: Ch. S.L. 2013-10	PASSED House 2/20  PASSED Senate 3/6  SIGNED BY GOV. 3/13
HB 392/ S401	Share Arrest Warrant Status/ Pub. Assistance	Anti- Poor & Working People	Arp, Horn, Starnes, Burr (Primary)  Avila, Brya, Cleveland, Faircloth, Howard, Jones, Malone, Martin, McNeil, S. Ross, Saine, Shepard, Spedale, Senburg, Szoka <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+392&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+392&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Requires people applying to DSS for temporary assistance or benefits to submit to criminal background, and requires anyone with outstanding warrant for a felony or parole/probation violation to be reported to law enforcement.  AMENDED: Instead of outstanding warrant, uses terms "fleeing felon" and "probation or parole violator," to signify that law applies to applicants verified to be (i) fleeing to avoid prosecution/ custody for a felony or (ii) violating a condition or parole or probation.	PASSED House 4/11  PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Senate Reading 4/15

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SB 489	Consumer Finance Act Amendments	Anti- Poor & Working People	Gunn, Newton, Clodfelter (Primary) Barefoot, Barringer, Brock, H. Brown, Cook, Daniel, D. Davis, J. Davis, Goolsby, Hise, Hunt, Jackson, Jenkins, Parmon, Pate, Rabin, Randleman, Rucho, Tarte, Tucker <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+489&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+489&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Dramatically raises interest rates on small loans and eliminates consumer protections.  S. COMM ON COMMERCE	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 3/ 28
SB 89	Deferred Presentment Services	Anti- Poor & Working People	Tillman (Primary) Apodaca, Jenkins <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+89&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+89&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Repeals ban on Pay Day Lending. Authorizes "deferred presentment transactions" up to \$500 and enables the lender to charge a 15 percent fee per \$100 borrowed.  COM ON COMMERCE	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 2/ 14
SB 4/ H 16  S.L. 2013- 5	No NC Exchange / No Medicaid Expansion	Anti- Poor & Working People	Apodaca, Brown, Rucho (Primary) Allran, Barefoot, Bingham, Brock, Brunstetter, Cook, Curtis, Daniel, Davis, Goolsby, Gunn, Harrington, Hartsell, Hise, Hunt, Jackson, Meredith, Newton, Pate, Rabin, Rabon, Randleman, Sanderson, Soucek, Tillman, Tucker, Wade <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+4&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+4&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Rejects federal grant money to expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act, which would insure 500,000 more people in North Carolina.  SIGNED INTO LAW: <u>Ch. SL 2013-5</u>	PASSED Senate 2/ 5  PASSED House 2/ 14  Conf Comm Report ADPTD 2/ 26  SIGNED BY GOV. 3/ 6
HB 53	Right to Work / Secret Ballots	Anti-Labor  Constitution Amendment	Tillis, Moffitt, Murry, Goodman (Primary) Arp, J. Bell, R. Brawley, B. Brown, R. Brown, Bumgardner, Burr, Cleveland, Collins, Faircloth, Ford, Horn, Iler, Jones, Jordan, Lambeth, Martin, McElraft, Pittman, Presnell, Saine, Smudson, Schaffer, Setzer, Shepard, Searles, Stone, Szoka, Torbett, Warren, Whitmire <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/">http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/</a>	Makes union-weakening right to work law apart of the state constitution. Require a secret ballot for union elections and voids any agreements between unions and any state and local governmental entity.  H. COMM ON RULES, CALENDAR, & OPS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 2/ 4

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HB 6	Right to Work/ Secret Ballots	Anti-Labor Constitution Amendment	Tillis, Moffitt, and Murry (Primary) Arp, R. Brawley, W. Brawley, Brisson, Brody, B. Brown, R. Brown, Bryan, Bumgardner, Burr, Cleveland, Collins, Conrad, Dockham, Faircloth, Fulghum, Hager, Holloway, Horn, Hurley, Iler, Jones, Jordan, Langdon, Malone, Martin, McElraft, McNeill, Millis, Pittman, Saine, Samuelson, Setzer, Shepard, Spedale, Starnes, Stone, Szoka, Torbett, Warren, Whitmire <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+6&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+6&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Makes union-weakening right to work law a part of the state constitution. Require a secret ballot for union elections and voids any agreements between unions and "units of governments" (any "governing authority" or "other municipality, or any agency, unit, or instrumentality" of any city, town, county or of the State of North Carolina).  H. COMM ON RULES, CALENDAR, & OPS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 1/31
SB 516	Public School Regulatory Reform	Education Rollbacks	Tillman (Primary) Cook, Hise, Meredith <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+516&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+516&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Proposes many changes, including: Eliminates Personal Education Plans for Children, Eliminates maximum class size for K-4 <sup>th</sup> grade.  AMENDED: Authorizes Department of Public Instruction to simplify data entry requirements of local school districts  H. COMM ON EDUCATION	PASSED Senate 4/29  PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> House Reading 5/1
SB 325	Wake County School Board Districts	Education Rollbacks	Hunt, Barefoot <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+325&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+325&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Republican-sponsored bill to redraw school board election districts in Wake County; extend the terms of the elected Republican board members while chopping 17 months from the elected Democrats' terms.  H. COMM ON ELECTIONS	PASSED Senate 4/22  PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> House Reading 4/24
SB 337	NC Public Charter School Board	Education Rollbacks Anti-Public Education	Tillman, Soucek (Primary) Daniel, Goolsby, Hise, Newton, Rabin <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=SB+337&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=SB+337&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Charter School Bill creating Charter School Board financed through taxpayer money; a bill to take charter school oversight authority away from the state's Department of Public Instruction and loosen requirements on the schools.  S. COMM ON APPROPRIATIONS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 3/19

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HB 944	Opportunity Scholarship Act	Education Rollbacks Anti-Public Education	Bryan, B. Brown, Brandon, Hanes (Primary) J. Bell, Blust, R. Brawley, Brodey, R. Brown, Collins, Faircloth, Ford, Fulham, Hardister, Horn, Hurley, Jones, Jordan, Martin, McNeill, Millis, Moffitt, Pittman, Riddell, Smudson, Schaffer, Stam, Steinburg, Szoka, Turner, Wells <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+944&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb+944&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Provides vouchers for private schools  H. COMM ON EDUCATION	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 4/16
SB 361	Excellent Public Schools Act	Warning: Possible Education Setbacks	Berger, Tillman, Soucek (Primary) Berefoot, Barringer, Brock, Cook, Daniel, Davis, Goolsby, Gunn, Harrington, Hise, Hunt, Newton, Pate, Rabin, Rabon, Randleman, Sanderson, Tate, and Wade <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+361&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+361&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Ends teacher tenure and builds in teacher performance pay by tying bonuses to teacher evaluation program. Institutes grading system for school performance (schools get grades A through F based on performance on state tests, national exams, graduation rates).  S. COMM ON APPROPRIATIONS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 3/20
HB 452/ S889	2013 School Safety Act	Warning: Possible Education Setbacks  School to Prison Pipeline	Holloway, Glazier, Faircloth, Lucas (Primary) Baskerville, Bell, Blust, Elmore, Farmer, Butterfield, Fisher, Floyd, Gill, Goodman, Hall, Hamilton, Hanes, Harrison, Insko, Jackson, Jeter, Luebke, McManus, Mobley, Pierce, Ramsey, D. Ross, Terry, Tine, Waddell, Whitmire, Wray <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb452&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cescripts/BillLookUp/BillLookUp.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=hb452&amp;submitButton=Go</a>	Gives 20 million in matching funding to increase SRO's presence in elementary and Middle school. 10 million to school psychologists and counselors; 4 million to panic alarm systems  S. COMM ON EDUCATION/ HIGHER ED \$35 million in funding has been removed from bill (to be earmarked later in the state budget). But bill now permits "volunteer SROs" (identical language to HB 595: Gold Star Officer Program / School Volunteer).	PASSED House 4/25  PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Senate Reading 4/29

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HB 593	Gold Star Officer Program / School Volunteer	School to Prison Pipeline	Arp, Horn, Faircloth, Johnson (Primary) Brody, Brown, Cleveland, Dixon, Hurley, Jones, Jordan, Lambeth, Martin, McElrath, Moffitt, Murry, Pittman, Riddell, Samuelson, Shepard, Spedale, Whitmire <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=H593">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=H593</a>	Authorizes sheriff and chief of police to establish "volunteer school safety resource officer program," to place volunteer SROs in schools as requested by local school boards. Volunteer SROs may carry handguns on educational property. Criteria for volunteer SROs are established by sheriff/ chief of police, but must have prior law enforcement experience, and they will work under supervision of sheriff/ chief of police.	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 4/9
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SB 59	Armed Security Guards in K-12	Warning: Possible Education Setbacks School to Prison Pipeline	Rabin (Primary) Sanderson <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb59&amp;submitBuffon=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb59&amp;submitBuffon=Go</a>	Allows anyone from teachers and school volunteers to "any person otherwise qualified" by a local school board to carry deadly weapons in schools. Encourages local school boards to provide an armed security guard at all elementary, middle, and high schools.  S COMM ON RULES & OPERATIONS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 2/6
SB 27	Public School Protection	School to Prison Pipeline	Bingham (Primary) Allran, Brock, Cook, Daniel, Davis, Jenkins, Newton, Randleman, Sanderson, Tillman <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/Applications/BillLookup/LoadBillDocument.aspx?SessionCode=2013&amp;DocNum=67&amp;SectionNum=0">http://www.ncleg.net/Applications/BillLookup/LoadBillDocument.aspx?SessionCode=2013&amp;DocNum=67&amp;SectionNum=0</a>	Allows local school boards to designate "school safety marshals" who may possess and carry firearms on educational property, after a "minimal level of firearms training."  S COMM ON RULES & OPERATIONS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 2/4
HB 987	Emergency Stun Gun Use by School Personnel	School to Prison Pipeline	Riddell, Saine, Richardson <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/Applications/BillLookup/LoadBillDocument.aspx?SessionCode=2013&amp;DocNum=4155&amp;SectionNum=0">http://www.ncleg.net/Applications/BillLookup/LoadBillDocument.aspx?SessionCode=2013&amp;DocNum=4155&amp;SectionNum=0</a>	Permits local school boards to allow school employees to carry stun guns, including tasers, on school grounds. Also directs the N.C. Dep't Public Safety to develop, in consultation with the Dep't of Public Instruction a "school crisis and safety program," which is to "include a safety and training course that involves the actual firing of stun guns." The bill also appropriates \$200K for the 2013-14 FY for the purchase of stun guns for school employees.  H. COMM ON RULES & OPERATIONS	PASSED 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading 4/18

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SB 190	Gun on Ed. Prop. / Scored in Locked Car	School to Prison Pipeline	Cook, Brock (Primary) Davis, Hise, Hunt <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+190&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/ BillLookup/BillLookup.pl? Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+190&amp;submitB utton=Go</a>	Allows an adult person with a valid concealed handgun permit to keep a handgun on school grounds in a compartment of a locked vehicle.  S COMM ON RULES & OPERATIONS	PASSED 1st Reading 3/6
SB 306	Capital Punishment / Amendments	Criminal Justice Rollbacks	Goolsby (Primary) Brock, Meredith, Rabin, Tillman, Tucker <a href="http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/BillLookup/BillLookup.pl?Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+306&amp;submitButton=Go">http://www.ncleg.net/cascripts/ BillLookup/BillLookup.pl? Session=2013&amp;BillID=sb+306&amp;submitB utton=Go</a>	Repeals Racial Justice Act.  H. COMM ON JUDICIARY (SUBCOMM B)	PASSED Senate 4/3  PASSED 1st House Reading 4/8