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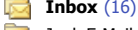
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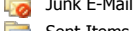
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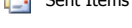
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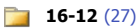
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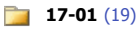
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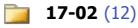
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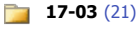
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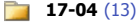
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**The Waddell
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*Dear Friends:*

State legislators worked fervently to clear legislation from their respective houses before the crossover deadline on Thursday, April 27. Lawmakers worked late into the night negotiating and garnering up support for their bills. A bill must have passed at least one chamber of the legislature by the deadline to stay alive for consideration this year. Stay tuned for a highlight of some of the bills which made crossover.

On April 22, Governor Roy Cooper vetoed [Senate Bill 68, Bipartisan Board of Elections and Ethics Enforce](#) and [House Bill 239, Reduce Court of Appeals to 12 Judges](#). A three-fifths vote of both the House and Senate Chamber is required to override the Governor's veto. The bills were promptly overridden by the North Carolina General Assembly. Senate Bill 68 and House Bill 239 became law on April 25 and April 26 respectively.

Senate Bill 68 is another effort by the Republican party to combine the State Ethics Commission and State Board of Elections into a single board of eight members, evenly split between Democrats and Republicans. A judicial panel ruled that similar previous legislation was a violation of the separation of power clause of the N.C. Constitution. The State Board of Elections currently consists of five members, of which three are from the Governor's party.

House Bill 239 would reduce the number of judges on the Court of Appeals from 15 to 12 judges. This legislation interferes with the Governor's role in filling appointments as three Republican judges face retirement. This bill would also lead to a heavier workload for the remaining judges and longer delays in justice.

*I cannot achieve anything without the support of my constituents.
 Thank you very much for your continued support!*

Please continue to refer to the North Carolina General Assembly website www.ncleg.net. You will be able to track legislation, sign up for committee notices, and review the citizen's guide.

I encourage you to contact us with your thoughts, comments, or suggestions. Please feel free to have others join in on conversation by sending contact information to Joyce.Waddell@ncleg.net.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Crossover Update

- [**Class Size Requirement Changes \(House Bill 13/ S.L. 2017-9\)**](#) – This bill gives local school districts a one-year respite to adjust to K-3 class-size restrictions included in the 2016-17 state budget. For the 2017-18 school year, the average class size for grades kindergarten through third grade in a local school administrative unit cannot exceed 20 students. The size of an individual class cannot exceed 23 students. Local schools have to submit biannual reports that include information, such as the source of funds used for teacher salary and the number of program enhancement teachers. House Bill 13 was signed into law by the Governor on April 27.
- [**UNC Public Records/Athletic Conferences \(Senate Bill 323/House Bill 412\)**](#) –
This legislation requires that any forms of communication between UNC System Universities and the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC), or other athletic organization be subject to public records. This proposal is a reaction to the NCAA and ACC pulling championships from North Carolina due to the controversial bill, House Bill 2. It passed the Senate by a 37-12 vote, with most Democrats opposing the legislation, and will be sent to the House.
- [**Increase Teacher Supplement/Electric Notice \(Senate Bill 343/House Bill 432\)**](#) –
This legislation allows city and counties to charge fees for publishing legal notices online. 50 percent of the fees collected to run online notices will be allocated to the county, while the other half will go to local salary supplements for teachers. Senator Joyce Waddell proposed an amendment for all of the fees to go toward teacher salary supplements, but bill backers tabled the proposal. Senate Bill 343 passed the Senate on April 25, with most Democrats opposing the bill. It is currently in the House for further consideration.
- [**Mecklenburg/Police Countywide Jurisdiction \(Senate Bill 5\)**](#) – Upon the approval by the Mecklenburg Board of Commissions, this bill authorizes the City of Charlotte police officers to exercise the same extraterritorial jurisdiction in Mecklenburg County as their municipality. There will be an agreement between the municipality and Mecklenburg County which sets guidelines to implement the act. Senate Bill 5 passed the Senate unanimously on April 24. It is currently in the House for further review.
- [**Honor UNC Men's Basketball 2017 Championship \(House Joint Resolution 921\)**](#) – On May 3, the House and Senate convened in a joint session to honor the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill men's basketball team for winning the NCAA Tournament last month. The General Assembly expressed appreciation and recognized the perseverance of the Tar Heels.

At the General Assembly



Senator Joyce Waddell presides the William L. Wainwright Prayer Luncheon.

May 4, 2017



Senator Joyce Waddell meets with the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, from Charlotte, North Carolina, concerning their legislative agenda.

May 3, 2017



The North Carolina General Assembly honors members of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill men's basketball team.

May 3, 2017



Senator Joyce Waddell meets with the North Carolina Nurses Association to discuss how Advanced Practice Registered Nurses can improve the health of North Carolina citizens.

May 2, 2017



Senator Joyce Waddell and the North Carolina Legislative Black Caucus visit students and staff at Elizabeth City State University.

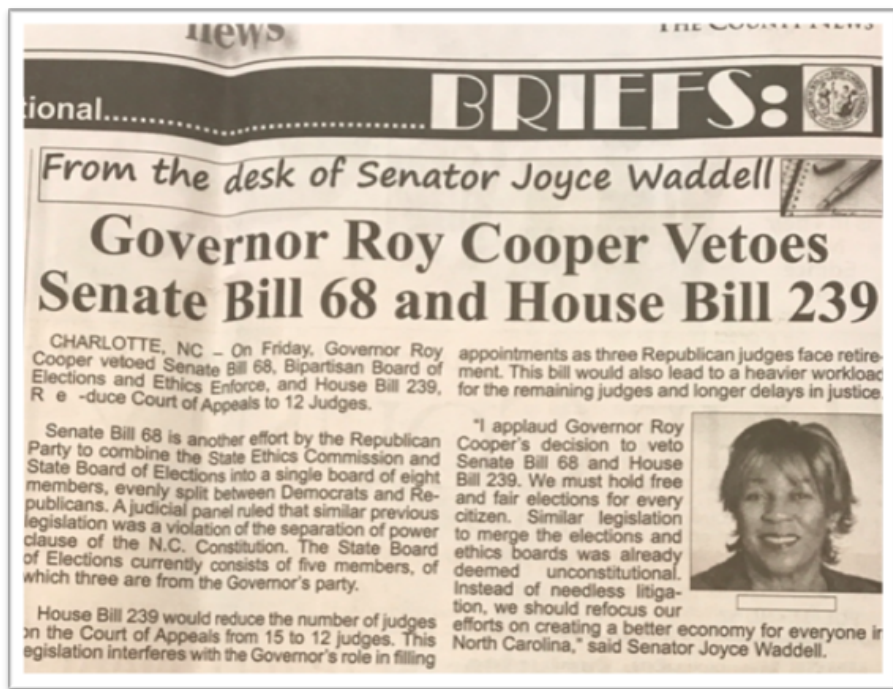
May 1, 2017



Senator Joyce Waddell meets with Dr. Thomas E. H. Conway, Jr., the Chancellor of Elizabeth City State University, to discuss the progress that the college has made.

May 1, 2017

The County News



Senator Joyce Waddell's Introduced and Co-Sponsored Legislation

Bill	Short Title	Action	Date	Action Text
S21	DL Restoration/DWI Treatment Court.	S	02/02/2017	Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Finance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S25	Repeal HB2.	S	02/02/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S43 (= H70)	SOG Pilot Project Standards/PED.	S	02/08/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S44 (= H22)	BOR/Independent Staff/Data Tracking.	S	02/08/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
*S52	40th Senatorial District Local Act-1.	S	02/08/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
*S54 (= H58)	Charlotte Firefighters' Retirement System.	S	04/27/2017	Re-ref to Pensions and Retirement and Aging. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S82 (= H59)	Revenue Laws Technical Changes.	S	02/16/2017	Re-ref to Finance. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S83	Raise Awareness of Lupus.	S	02/15/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S84 (= H82)	Equality For All/Repeal HB2.	S	02/15/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S85 (= H102)	NC Adopt Equal Rights Amendment.	S	02/15/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S88	Landlord/Tenant-Alias & Pluries Summary Eject.	H	04/13/2017	Serial Referral To Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House Added
S89 (= H17)	Office of State Auditor/Corrective Action/PED.	S	02/15/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S93 (= H107)	Common Sense Compromise to Repeal HB 2.	S	02/16/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S111 (= H18)	State Agencies Must Use eProcurement/PED.	S	02/20/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S124	LEO Managed CBD Oil Drop Box.	H	04/13/2017	Serial Referral To Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House Added
S125	Children of Wartime Veterans Modifications.	H	03/23/2017	Ref to the Com on Education - Universities, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
S128 (= H169)	Kappa Alpha Psi/Special Plate Fee.	S	02/23/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S130	Provide Funding/NC Military Business Center.	S	02/23/2017	Re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S146	Juvenile Reinvestment Act.	S	03/01/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S147	Reenact School Sales Tax Holiday.	S	03/01/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
*S149	Modify School Performance Grades.	S	03/01/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S150	Auto Ins./Notice to Lienholder of Termination.	S	03/01/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S179	Recognize Chowanoke Tribe.	S	03/07/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S190 (= H270)	The Haley Hayes Newborn Screening Bill.	S	03/07/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

S210 (= H289)	Living Wage By 2022.	S	03/08/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S228 (= H303)	Voter Freedom Act.	S	03/14/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S236	Efficient and Affordable Energy Rates.	S	03/14/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S252 (= H339)	North Carolina Teaching Fellows.	S	04/05/2017 Re-ref Com On Appropriations/Base Budget
S259	Restore Master's Degree Pay for All Teachers.	S	03/15/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S280 (= H658)	Early Literacy Initiative/Funds.	S	03/23/2017 Re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Education/Higher Education. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S290 (= H858)	Medicaid Expansion/Healthcare Jobs Initiative.	S	03/16/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S299	Habitual Impaired Driving/10-Year Period.	H	04/13/2017 Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
S305 (= H422)	Raise Awareness About Alzheimer's & Dementias.	S	03/21/2017 Re-ref to Health Care. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S309	9/11 as First Responders Day.	S	03/20/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S311 (= H741)	DHHS Study/Maternal and Neonatal Care.	S	03/20/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S312 (= H254)	Surplus Computers for Low-Income Students.	H	04/13/2017 Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
S313	Increase Small Brewery Limits.	S	03/20/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
*S314	Give Retirees 2% COLA/Funds.	S	03/20/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S316 (= H285)	Suicide Prevention/Awareness School Personnel.	S	03/20/2017 Re-ref to Health Care. If fav, re-ref to Education/Higher Education. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S317 (= H411)	Hypertension Awareness Day.	S	04/19/2017 Re-ref Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S318	School Calendar Flexibility/PED Report.	S	03/21/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S319	Natural & Cultural Resources/Confirmation.	S	04/11/2017 Adopted
S320	Secretary of Administration Confirmation.	S	04/06/2017 Adopted
S321	School Calendar Flexibility/PED Report.	S	03/22/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S322 (= H441)	Caregiver Advise, Record & Enable (CARE) Act.	S	04/10/2017 Re-ref to Health Care. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S327	Drivers With Disabilities and Law Enforcement.	S	04/10/2017 Re-ref to Transportation. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S332	Repeal HB 2.	S	03/22/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S333	Require Use of Directional Signals.	S	04/04/2017 Re-ref to Transportation. If fav, re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S352	NC Promise Tuition Plan Modifications.	S	03/23/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S382	Mobile Beauty Salons.	S	03/27/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S387	Limit Session Length.	S	03/27/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S390 (= H170)	Pilot/Sports for Students With Disabilities.	S	03/28/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S399 (= H485)	UNC & CC Credit/National Gd on SAD.	S	03/28/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S400 (= H486)	National Guard Tuition Assistance Program.	S	03/28/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S412	Improve Process/Sale of Unclaimed Vehicles.	H	04/27/2017 Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
S418	Dyslexia Kindergarten Screening.	S	03/29/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
*S438	Allow Senior Citizens to Audit UNC/CC Courses.	S	03/29/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
*S439	Funds/Eliminate NC Pre-K Waitlist Statewide.	S	03/29/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S440	National Popular Vote Interstate Compact.	S	03/29/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S442	Study/Expand Computer Science to All Students.	S	03/29/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S443	TA Tuition/Teachers Pilot/Funds for Books.	S	03/29/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S447	Turning TAs Into Teachers.	S	04/11/2017 Re-ref Com On Appropriations/Base Budget
S449	Early Ed Articulation Agreement.	H	04/27/2017 Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
S456	Increase De-Escalation Training for LEOs.	S	03/29/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S463 (= H543)	Caregiver Relief Act.	S	03/30/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S500	Strengthen Human Trafficking Law.	S	03/30/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S515	NC Skills Gap Study.	S	03/30/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S516	State Employees/Paid Parental Leave.	S	03/30/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S517	North Carolina New Teacher Support Act.	S	04/11/2017 Re-ref Com On Appropriations/Base Budget
S537	North Carolina Equal Pay Act.	S	04/03/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S538	Sudden Cardiac Arrest Task Force.	S	04/03/2017 Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate

S540 (= H534)	Computer Coding Course Elective.	S	04/03/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S548	Strengthen Human Trafficking Laws/Studies.	S	04/03/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S554	Fair Redistricting/Postmark&Absentee Ballots.	S	04/03/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S556 (= H544)	Healthy Families & Workplaces/Paid Sick Days.	S	04/03/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S580	UI for High Unemployment Areas/State Funding.	S	04/04/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S581	Establish Mandatory Dementia Care Training.	S	04/04/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S583	Occup. Therap./Phys. Therap. Salaries.	S	04/06/2017	Re-ref to Education/Higher Education. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S584	Pilot Project: Tablets for Inmates.	S	04/25/2017	Re-ref to Judiciary. If fav, re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S587	Tax Returns Uniformly Made Public Act.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S588 (= H563)	Whole Woman's Health Act.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S589 (= H279)	Fantasy Sports Regulation.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S592	Small Business Access to Capital Act.	S	04/06/2017	Re-ref to Appropriations/Base Budget. If fav, re-ref to Rules and Operations of the Senate
S594 (= H608)	Family/Child Protection & Accountability Act.	S	04/19/2017	Re-ref Com On Appropriations/Base Budget
S598	Future Teachers of North Carolina.	S	04/11/2017	Re-ref Com On Appropriations/Base Budget
S600	Britny's Law: IPV Homicide.	H	04/27/2017	Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
S627	Minority Colleges Advisory Board.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S636	Increase Judicial Pay 20%.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S637 (= H603)	Small Farms to Healthier Schools Initiative.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S639 (= H594)	Healthy Mother, Healthy Child.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S643	Establish Veterans Treatment Court.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S644	Increase Diversity Among Physician Assistants.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S645	Keep Both Parents in Life of Child.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S646	Universal Voter Registration.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S648 (= H185)	Legalize Medical Marijuana.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S652	Increase Access to Higher Education.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S659	Secretary of Commerce Confirmation.	S	04/11/2017	Adopted
S663 (= S665)	The I. Beverly Lake, Jr., Fair Trial Act.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S667 (= H609)	Amend Various Innocence Commission Statutes.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S670	Sales Tax Exemption - Agricultural Fairs.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
S672 (= S675)	Lack of Postmark/Absentee Ballots.	S	04/05/2017	Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
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