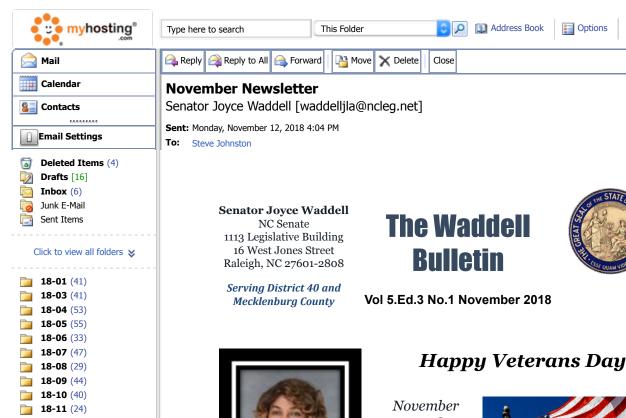
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11, 2018 **Veterans** Day mark the 100th



anniversary of the official end of WWI. I want to personally recognize all of our service members, veterans, and their families for their courage and sacrifice. Thank you to all who have made a commitment to serving our country. We honor you!

# **Thank You District 40!**

I would like to express a heartfelt thank you for returning me to the General Assembly to continue working hard for not only District 40 but for all in North Carolina. I am determined to protect healthcare for all, education, seniors, and women's rights. I could not have achieved this goal without the support of the many volunteers throughout this race. Thank you to all!

# **2018-2019 Committees**

Agriculture/Environment /Natural Resources Appropriations on Education/Higher Education Education/Higher Education Finance Transportation Joint Legislative Program

**Evaluation Oversight** Joint Legislative Education Oversight Joint Legislative Commission on **Energy Policy** Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on the North Carolina State

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## **Hurricane Recovery**

The General Assembly had a busy October with extra sessions to address Hurricane Florence recovery plans. North Carolina remains in the beginning stage with the rebuilding process and as legislators we are taking the steps needed to ensure aid is distributed promptly throughout communities.

Hurricane Florence made landfall on September 14, killing 41 North Carolinians, and causing an estimated \$17 billion in damage to homes and businesses. In the days since Florence made landfall in North Carolina, the North Carolina Department of Public Safety, in coordination with FEMA, has assisted over 270,000 families, providing over \$712 million to assist survivors with basic and immediate recovery needs. This includes:

\$110.9 million in Individual Assistance approved for homeowners and renters:

\$267.6 million in SBA low-interest loans; and

\$385 million in claims paid through the National Flood Insurance Program.

Were you or someone you know impacted by Hurricane Matthew? Assistance is available now through the ReBuild North Carolina program. Dial 2-1-1 TODAY to schedule an appointment and complete a program application at one of ReBuild NC's application centers, located throughout the state. Click here to find a center near you.

All homeowners impacted by Hurricane Matthew are strongly encouraged to apply for assistance, regardless of if you believe you are eligible for assistance or have already completed repairs. ReBuild NC, North Carolina's Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG- DR) program, provides funding to applicants for housing repairs, homeowner reimbursement and other housing-related issues due to damage from Hurricane Matthew.

Please know that homeowners who received damage from Hurricane Florence, in addition to damage from Hurricane Matthew, will not be prevented from receiving assistance for Hurricane Matthew related damages through the ReBuild NC program. However, individuals must have sustained damage from Hurricane Matthew in 2016 to be eligible for assistance through the ReBuild North Carolina program at this time.

To learn more about ReBuild NC, visit rebuild.nc.gov, follow @NCEmergency and @ReBuildNC\_gov on Twitter, and "like" ReBuild North Carolina on Facebook.

If you have any additional questions, please email info@rebuild.nc.gov or dial 2-1-1 to speak to a program representative.

#### **Session News**

#### Effective October 1, 2018

- SB 140 (Title Ins. Rev/Bailbondsmen Deposits) An Act To Make Various Changes Related To Real Estate Title Insurance Companies
- SB 220 (Motor Fuel Tax Exemption for Joint Agency) An Act To Allow A Motor Fuel Tax Exemption For Certain Joint Entities.

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- SB 168 (AOC Omnibus Changes) An Act To Make Various Changes
  To The Law Governing The Administration Of Justice.
- <u>SB 622 (Business Corporation Act Revisions</u>) An Act To Make Various Revisions To The North Carolina Business Corporation Act.
- SB 768 (People First Language 2018.) An Act To Update The General Statutes Of North Carolina With People First Language By Changing The Phrase "Mental Retardation" To "Intellectual Disability" In Certain Sections And To Make Other People First Language Amendments And Technical Amendments In Those Sections
- SB 145 (DOT/DMV Legislative Requests) An Act To Make Changes To The Transportation Laws Of The State.

# Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee

As an appointed member of the Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee Monday, October 8 meeting agenda was set to review legislation for managing the health of Prison systems across the state.

Agency representatives from the Department of Public Safety, North Carolina Sheriff's Association and UNC Health Care presented reports on Inmate Health. Presentations included: Improvements to Inmate Healthcare Reimbursement and Internal Processes, Modification to Inmate Pharmacy Purchasing and Inadequate Data Collection and Cost Recovery Practices. Senator Waddell asked questions to clarify procedures for how data is collected for monitoring expenses. In addition to identifying processes for managing opioid use across inmates.

Department of Public Safety advised that making modifications and improvements will reduce related correctional health care costs.

All committee meetings and press conferences can be heard on the <u>General Assembly's website</u>. Once on the site, select "Audio" and then make your selection: House Chamber, Senate Chamber, Committee Room or Press Conference Room. A schedule of committee meetings and other events is also available on the website.

#### **Serving You**





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Enjoyed the afternoon meeting with my wonderful constituents at Reeder Memorial Church 10.18.18

#### Welcome



#### **Sheena Matthews**

Please give a warm welcome to Senator Weddell's new Legislative Assistant.

You may reach her office by calling 919-733-5650 or by email at waddelljla@ncleg.net.

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

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