

# North Carolina Sheriffs' Association

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Weekly Legislative Report

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The phrase “the end is in sight” is NOT yet applicable to this year’s legislative session. The House and Senate wrapped up their formal work for this week on Wednesday and the legislators, as one staff person said, are working on legislative matters “back in their district.”

The Senate will not return for a formal Session until Tuesday, August 6. The House will be back this coming Monday for a formal Session. While the Senate is out of town between now and August 6, the House will continue to have some meetings during that time according to a reported comment from a top House leader.

There has been no formal announcement of “shutting down” most of the legislative committees, which usually precedes a legislative adjournment. Nevertheless, very few committee meetings have been held recently and only one is currently scheduled for next week.

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## BILL STATUS

[HOUSE BILL 106](#), Inmate Health Care & 340B Program, which is summarized in the February 22, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of July 19, 2019.

[HOUSE BILL 138](#), Damage Jail & Prison Fire Sprinkler/Penalty, which is summarized in the February 22, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of December 1, 2019. **The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association SUPPORTS this bill.**

[HOUSE BILL 198](#), Human Trafficking Commission Recommendations, which is summarized in the March 1, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of July 1, 2019, except where provided otherwise in the bill.

[HOUSE BILL 224](#), Assault w/Firearm on LEO/Increase Punishment, which is summarized in the March 1, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of December 1, 2019. **The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association SUPPORTS – HIGH PRIORITY this bill.**

[HOUSE BILL 228](#), Modernize Laws Pertaining to NC Medical Board, which is summarized in the March 1, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and

sent to Governor Roy Cooper for his signature.

[HOUSE BILL 323](#), Assess Costs of Local LEO Crime Lab Analysis, which is summarized in the March 15, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of July 1, 2019. **The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association SUPPORTS this bill.**

[HOUSE BILL 325](#), Opioid Epidemic Response Act, which is summarized in the June 28, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of July 22, 2019.

[HOUSE BILL 391](#), Passenger Protection Act, which is summarized in the June 7, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has passed the House, passed the Senate with amendment and has been sent back to the House for consideration of the Senate amendment.

[HOUSE BILL 546](#), Prohibit Counterfeit/Nonfunctional Airbags, which is summarized in the April 5, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of October 1, 2019.

[HOUSE BILL 629](#), Law-Enforcement Mutual Aid, which is summarized in the April 12, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of July 19, 2019. **The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association SUPPORTS – HIGH PRIORITY this bill.**

[HOUSE BILL 760](#), Expand Loss Prevention Investigations, which is summarized in the April 18, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has passed the House, passed the Senate with amendment and has been sent back to the House for consideration of the Senate amendment.

[HOUSE BILL 784](#), Traffic Control Certification Program, which is summarized in the April 18, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has passed the House and has been sent to the Senate for consideration.

[SENATE BILL 5](#), School Safety Omnibus, which is summarized in the July 12, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has passed the Senate, passed the House with amendment and has been sent back to the Senate for consideration of the House amendment.

[SENATE BILL 9](#), Female Genital Mutilation/Clarify Prohibition, which is summarized in the February 1, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and sent to Governor Roy Cooper for his signature.

[SENATE BILL 29](#), Move Over Law/Increase Penalties, which is summarized in the February 8, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of December 1, 2019.

[SENATE BILL 199](#), Child Sex Abuse/Strengthen Laws, which is summarized in the March 8, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been amended to require each local board of education in

North Carolina to adopt and implement a child sexual abuse and sex trafficking training program for school personnel who work directly with students. Training programs would be provided by local nongovernmental organizations, local law enforcement officers, or officers of the court (such as, for example, judges or assistant district attorneys).

The bill, as amended, would require school personnel to take two hours of this training in even-numbered years, beginning in 2020. The training would provide instruction related to child sexual abuse and sex trafficking and would include training on the warning signs of sexual abuse and sex trafficking, how to intervene when sexual abuse or sex trafficking is suspected or disclosed, the legal responsibilities for reporting sexual abuse or sex trafficking, and the available resources for assistance. **The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association SUPPORTS this bill.**

SENATE BILL 321, Motorcycles/Face Masks, which is summarized in the March 22, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been amended in the House to change the entire content of the bill and to rename the bill the "Federal Motor Carrier Safety/PRISM."

The bill, as amended, would allow the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to collect and maintain commercial motor vehicle data in a format that complies with the Performance and Registration Information Systems Management program ("PRISM") of the federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

Additionally, DMV would be required to deny the registration of a vehicle of a motor carrier if the applicant meets certain criteria, such as not disclosing material information on an application for registration or the applicant's business is operated, managed, or otherwise controlled with a person who is ineligible for registration.

SENATE BILL 413, Raise the Age Modifications, which is summarized in the March 29, 2019 Weekly Legislative Report, has been approved by the General Assembly and sent to Governor Roy Cooper for his signature. **The North Carolina Sheriffs' Association SUPPORTS – HIGH PRIORITY this bill.**

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