

North Carolina Sheriffs' Association

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Weekly Legislative Report

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The week before a much-anticipated Memorial Day holiday has been fairly ordinary. This week the daily business at the General Assembly has been moving at a leisurely summer pace as everyone eagerly awaits an announcement from the Senate on a budget. While committee meetings have been limited, and sessions have been short, legislators have been in town attending to their duties, attending committee meetings, and meeting with individuals interested in their legislation.

The House and Senate adjourned on Friday and will reconvene on Tuesday, June 1 after observing the Memorial Day holiday.

BILL STATUS

[SENATE BILL 172](#), [2021 COVID-19 Response & Relief](#), which is summarized in the March 5, 2021 Weekly Legislative Report, has been amended and would appropriate \$2.6 million in anticipated federal grant funds to be used by the North Carolina Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, for the administration of emergency management performance grants.

We have been advised by Emergency Management that applications for grant funds can be submitted in October 2021 for grants anticipated to be awarded in 2022. Therefore, sheriffs and other law enforcement agencies seeking to apply for these anticipated federal grant funds should contact their local emergency management coordinator on October 1 of this year to begin the grant application process.

The bill, as amended, has been approved by the General Assembly and has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of May 24, 2021.

[SENATE BILL 390](#), [UNC Law Enforcement Recruitment](#), which is summarized in the April 2, 2021 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 May 7, 2021.

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