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Weekly Legislative Report

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Visible activity at the General Assembly this week suggests it is safe to say the budget process is well on its way to completion. Budget meetings have kept legislators locked in meetings most of the week, breaking only to allow legislators to grab a snack, take a quick personal call in the hallway or to dart from one meeting room to another. Staff from the Offices of the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate have been involved in many of these meetings as well.

While some legislators have donned their normal suits, ties and formal business attire, many have opted for less formal attire like blue jeans, which most of us would deem completely appropriate for sitting through intense, behind-closed-doors budget meetings. While these meetings have kept legislators moving at a furious pace and working late into the evening every night, there is optimism in the air that a final budget is expected within 2 - 3 weeks.

The House and Senate adjourned on Thursday and will reconvene on Monday, September 20th.

BILL STATUS

[HOUSE BILL 805](#), Prevent Rioting and Civil Disorder, which is summarized in the August 13, 2021 Weekly Legislative Report, has been vetoed by Governor Roy Cooper and has been returned to the General Assembly to see if there are sufficient votes to override the Governor's veto.

[SENATE BILL 99](#), Clarify Law on Theft of Catalytic Converters, which is summarized in the February 19, 2021 Weekly Legislative Report, has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of December 1, 2021 and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

[SENATE BILL 321](#), Amend NC Controlled Substances Act, which is summarized in the March 19, 2021 Weekly Legislative Report, has been signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper with an effective date of December 1, 2021 and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.

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