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"This is not a North Carolina issue. It is now a national issue."
Gov. Pat McCrory, on his administration's decision to sue the federal government over the Justice Department's efforts to block the bathroom provisions of the controversial HB2.

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News Summary

Legal Storm

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A potentially epic clash over transgender rights took shape Monday when the U.S. Justice Department sued North Carolina over the state's bathroom law after the governor refused to back down. In unusually forceful language, U.S. Attorney General Loretta Lynch said North Carolina's law requiring transgender people to use public restrooms and showers corresponding to the gender on their birth certificate amounts to "state-sponsored discrimination" and is aimed at "a problem that doesn't exist." Billions of dollars in federal aid for North Carolina -- and a potentially landmark decision regarding the reach of the nation's civil

rights laws -- are at stake in the dispute, which in recent weeks has triggered boycotts and cancellations aimed at pressuring the state into repealing the measure.

Last week, the U.S. Justice Department said the House Bill 2 amounts to illegal sex discrimination and gave Gov. Pat McCrory until Monday to say he would refuse to enforce it. When the deadline arrived, a defiant McCrory instead sued the federal government, arguing that the state law is a "commonsense privacy policy" and that the Justice Department's position is "baseless and blatant overreach." McCrory, a Republican who is up for re-election in November, accused the Obama administration of unilaterally rewriting federal civil rights law to protect transgender people's access to bathrooms, locker rooms and showers across the country. Later in the day, the Justice Department struck back by suing the state, seeking a court order declaring the law discriminatory and unenforceable.

A judge could begin hearing arguments in the competing cases within weeks, during which North Carolina will probably try to stop the government from temporarily blocking the law or stripping away federal funding, said Rina Lindevaldsen, a Liberty University professor specializing in family and constitutional law. With appeals courts around the country diverging on whether transgender people are protected under federal civil rights laws, "this seems like the kind of thing that's on track for the Supreme Court," she said.

McCrory sued the Justice Department in North Carolina's eastern district of federal court, saying federal authorities made a "radical reinterpretation" of the Civil Rights Act by requiring the state to allow transgender people to use restrooms according to how they view themselves, and not according to their birth sex. Separately on Monday, Senate leader Phil Berger and House Speaker Tim Moore sued the Justice Department in the same district, also seeking a judicial ruling that the law doesn't violate the Civil Rights Act. McCrory, Berger and Moore are Republicans.

The governor said the Justice Department last week had not given the state enough time to respond when it set a deadline of 5 p.m. Monday to declare that HB2 would not be enforced. He said he asked for a two-week delay in that deadline. But Justice Department officials countered by offering a one-week extension only if he made a public statement agreeing that the law was discriminatory. "I could not agree with that because I do not agree with their interpretation of federal law," McCrory said.

The Justice Department says HB2 violates Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, which governs employment, Title IX dealing with education and the Violence Against Women Act, which was reauthorized in 2013 to include gender identity as a protected class. McCrory's lawsuit only addresses the Title VII employment protections, and concerns whether all state employees have the same right of access to restrooms. McCrory's lawsuit contends that "the overwhelming weight of legal authority" recognizes that Title VII doesn't extend protections to transgender people. The suit was filed by McCrory's general counsel, Bob Stephens, and private attorneys Karl Bowers Jr. of Columbia, S.C., and William Stewart Jr. of Raleigh.

Kim Yarucko, a law professor at Northwestern University in Illinois who studies gender equity in employment, said Monday she thought it was interesting that the governor's complaint focused on Title VII and not Title IX or the Violence Against Women Act. "That might be a legal strategy," Yarucko said, without

speculating on the prospects. Unlike Republican leaders, federal officials filed their lawsuit in the state's middle district. Michael Gerhardt, a UNC-Chapel Hill law professor who specializes in constitutional conflicts, said Monday that eventually he expects the cases filed by the governor and Justice Department to be consolidated in one district. "Of course, the governor filed in the district he thinks is the most conservative and the federal government is trying to counter in the district where they think they will do the best," Gerhardt said. Also related to HB2:

- **Virginia Case:** Legal analysts said a Virginia case could suggest a tough legal road ahead for HB2 advocates. In April, the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals issued an order in the case of a Virginia transgender teen who sued his school district over a bathroom ban. That case has implications for North Carolina because it is one of the states that falls within the 4th Circuit. In that order, which sent the case back to a lower court for further deliberation, the three-judge panel sided with the federal Education Department's interpretation that Title IX, the section of federal law that prohibits gender discrimination and harassment in schools, protects the rights of students to use the bathroom that corresponds with their gender identity. Judge Henry Floyd, writing for the majority in the Virginia opinion, highlighted a federal Department of Education Office of Civil Rights opinion letter dated Jan. 7, 2015. In it, federal officials said it was OK for schools to have "separate toilet, locker room, and shower facilities on the basis of sex" as long as the facilities provided for one gender were comparable to what was provided to the other. "When a school elects to separate or treat students differently on the basis of sex . . . a school generally must treat transgender students consistent with their gender identity." The federal courts have not decided the Title VII issue, though the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration both have taken stances similar to the federal Education Department.
- **UNC Response:** UNC system President Margaret Spellings said the university is "truly caught in the middle" as the federal government and state elected leaders launched legal battles over the bathroom law on Monday. Spellings responded to the U.S. Department of Justice late Monday with a letter saying the university is committed to complying with federal non-discrimination laws. She asked for more dialogue with federal officials to resolve concerns over the law known as HB2. "Our first responsibility as a University is to serve our students, faculty, and staff and provide a welcoming and safe place for all," Spellings said in a written statement. "The University takes its obligation to comply with federal non-discrimination laws very seriously. We also must adhere to laws duly enacted by the State's General Assembly and Governor, however. HB2 remains the law of the State, and the University has no independent power to change that legal reality." Spellings' letter sought to walk a fine line -- assuring federal officials that the UNC system intends to follow federal law, while not refusing to follow HB2. The university had until Monday to respond to the federal government's threat to withhold federal funding because of

the law, which it says discriminates against transgender people. In 2014-15, the UNC system received \$1.4 billion in federal funds. The UNC Board of Governors has scheduled a special meeting Tuesday for a legal briefing from its chief counsel. (Jane Stancill, THE NEWS & OBSERVER, 5/09/16)

- **Cooper Video:** Attorney General Roy Cooper says Gov. Pat McCrory "is pouring gas on the fire that he lit" when he signed a state law limiting LGBT anti-discrimination protections. In a video, Cooper said McCrory is putting billions of dollars in federal funds at risk by suing Monday the U.S. Justice Department. Cooper already has refused to defend the law in court, calling it discriminatory and an embarrassment to North Carolina, and wants it repealed. McCrory and his campaign have criticized Cooper for failing to do his job as attorney general. The campaign between McCrory and Cooper is expected to be one of the most competitive and expensive races this year. (THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, 5/09/16)
- **California Vote:** California's lower legislative chamber on Monday passed a bill to require single-person public restrooms to be gender neutral. California Assemblyman Phil Ting of San Francisco aims to help transgender people, caregivers and parents with AB1732. The bill asks inspectors and officials who enforce building code to check restroom signs for compliance. (THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, 5/09/16)

(Emery P. Dalesio and Gary D. Robertson, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, 5/09/16; Craig Jarvis and Anne Blythe, THE NEWS & OBSERVER, 5/10/16).

Legislative Reimbursements

Defining themselves in a "Catch 22" over their compensation, a committee of General Assembly lawmakers on Monday approved a proposal to increase their subsistence and travel expense reimbursements, which have been the same for more than 20 years. Sen. Fletcher Hartsell, R-Cabarrus, chairman of the Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee, recommended raising per diems that lawmakers receive while in session from \$104 to \$163, and mileage reimbursements from 29 cents to 54 cents a mile. Those rates would equal federal and Internal Revenue Service standards. Hartsell's proposed legislation contains no recommendations to alter base pay, which is \$13,951 for rank-and-file legislators. Citing analysis from the National Conference of State Legislatures, Hartsell noted that North Carolina salaries, per diems and reimbursements have lagged significantly behind inflation. Committee member Rep. Becky Carney, D-Mecklenburg, who has served in the House seven terms, addressed the political sensitivities. "I've been here 14 years and every time it comes up, for pay increase, it goes nowhere," she said, adding that the public harbors misperceptions about legislative salaries and thinks lawmakers "make \$100,000 a year." In 2015, the legislative session ran for eight months, from January into late September. Legislators on average took home about \$48,000 each in total pay. They don't typically make that much when sessions are shorter. Another committee chairman, Rep. Craig Horn, R-Union, argued North Carolina faces challenges attracting quality new people to the legislature. "They just can't afford it," he said. It's unclear whether the proposal will get traction in this election year. Rules Chairman, Sen. Tom Apodaca, R-Henderson, said

Senate leader Phil Berger had asked leadership to explore the issue. "I think we will hear more and more of a conversation about this over the next month or so," Apodaca said. He noted that he lives 275 miles from the General Assembly and believes lawmakers' inability to adjust their pay has acted as a "drain on the citizen legislature." House Speaker Tim Moore, R-Cleveland, however, told WRAL in Raleigh that before the General Assembly acts, he wants an independent commission to consider the matter. "I don't think that's something we would pass this session," Moore told the TV station. During Monday's committee hearing, by voice vote, members unanimously approved the proposal, meaning it can now be filed as a bill during this year's short session. Hartsell said that if the proposed legislation makes it to a vote, and is approved, it would not take effect until the next legislative session. Hartsell, who was selected to tackle the issue because he is not running for reelection, also noted the cost to the state would be an estimated \$1.4 million a year.(Dan Boylan, THE INSIDER, 5/10/16).

Lawsuit Dismissed

A judge has dismissed a lawsuit by a Raleigh attorney seeking to force the North Carolina State Bar to investigate his complaint against Attorney General Roy Cooper related to Cooper's first campaign for the job. Judge Donald Stephens ruled against Gene Boyce, whose son lost to Cooper in the 2000 attorney general's election. The Boyces sued over a campaign commercial that they said was false. That lawsuit was not settled until 2014. Gene Boyce sued again in January, this time complaining the Bar had a conflict because it's represented by the Attorney General's Office. Cooper is now running for governor. Stephens last Friday criticized Boyce from the bench, saying he had a long time to seek disciplinary action through the court. Boyce plans to appeal.(WRAL NEWS, 5/09/16).

Garden Parkway

The N.C. Department of Transportation took an unusual step last week, by sending postcards to more than 50,000 residents telling them the proposed Garden Parkway -- a proposed toll road that would sweep through south Gaston County -- is dead. "This project is not included in the 2016-2025 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)," the postcard said. "All activities for this project, as currently planned, have stopped." The Garden Parkway would cross the Catawba River and connect with Interstate 485 south of Charlotte Douglas Airport. The project has been controversial, with boosters saying it would better connect Gastonia with Charlotte and create jobs. Opponents have said it's a boondoggle, and that the roughly \$700 million toll road isn't needed. The postcard was sent to property owners in Gaston and Mecklenburg who are along the route. The DOT said the General Assembly's new ranking system for highway projects -- the Strategic Transportation Investments law -- impacted the parkway. "The project scored poorly and therefore moved down on the list of projects for potential construction funding," the DOT said in the post card. The DOT then said that legislators ended the parkway's \$35 million annual funding, and the local transportation planning organization removed the project from its 10-year plan last year.

"I have never seen anything like it -- that's a lot of postcards," said William Toole, an attorney and former Belmont city council member who opposes the project. Toole said he believes the DOT wants to "clear the deck" of projects that

aren't going to be built. He also said he thinks the DOT wants to signify the end of the project to have a lawsuit over the highway dismissed. The Southern Environmental Law Center in Chapel Hill has sued to stop the parkway, saying the environmental impact statement was flawed. The Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization has discussed the Catawba Crossings project, which proposes to construct a road on new location from I-485 to N.C. 279. That project must be scored and ranked as part of the state's new funding formula. The DOT is moving forward on the Monroe Connector/Bypass, a new toll road in Union County that's scheduled to open in 2018. The Interstate 77 express toll lane project is also under construction. It's also scheduled to open in 2018.(Steve Harrison, THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER, 5/09/16).

Krispy Kreme

Krispy Kreme Doughnuts Inc. announced Monday it has accepted an offer of \$1.35 billion to be acquired by JAB Beech Inc. and to be taken private upon the conclusion of the deal, which is expected in the third quarter. JAB Beech serves as an indirect controlled subsidiary of JAB Holding Co., which has controlling interest in Keurig Green Mountain, Peet's Coffee & Tea and Caribou Coffee Co. That means there could be some crossover sales with those coffee brands in Krispy Kreme stores. It is the time second time in the company's 78-year history that it has been bought by a private company. Beatrice Foods Inc. bought the company in 1976 as part of its strategy for diversifying its product offerings. However, five years later, Beatrice decided Krispy Kreme didn't fit into the corporate strategy. Beatrice sold the company to a group of 20 investors as part of a leveraged buyout led by Joseph McAleer, a franchisee in Alabama. The deal requires shareholder approval. The June 14 shareholder meeting has been postponed because of the sale announcement. The companies said Krispy Kreme would remain based in Winston-Salem and operate as an independent company. The deal, worth \$21 a share, represents a 25 percent premium over its closing share price of \$16.86. Investors sent the stock soaring 25 percent in early trading upon release of the news at 8:15 a.m.(Richard Craver, WINSTON-SALEM JOURNAL, 5/09/16).

Asheville Housing

A national report has added to worries the Asheville metro area's housing market has reached unsustainable levels. Economists at Nationwide, the insurance and financial-planning company based in Ohio, have ranked the metro-area market as the nation's sixth-unhealthiest. "House-price gains relative to income have become increasingly unaffordable," said David Berson, Nationwide senior vice president and chief economist who is the report's primary author. The study fits the Asheville region's performance within a national context, though critics say it doesn't take in all factors unique to the city specifically. Average annual wages in the Asheville metro area – which comprises Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson and Madison counties – were \$37,289 during the third quarter of last year, according to the most recent data available from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The county housing market set new records during the first quarter of this year for both average and median home-asking and median selling prices, said Don Davies, founder of Asheville-based Realsearch, a company that analyzes real-estate trends. The average asking price for all homes during this year's first quarter was \$588,638. The median asking price was \$379,450, while

the median selling price was \$235,000. Combined with low-housing inventory levels not seen in about a decade selling at or below \$300,000 in Buncombe County, Davies said, it's no wonder Asheville sits just below Austin in Nationwide's rankings. Austin, Boulder and Santa Fe all are cities often named by longtime area residents as places they hope Asheville never resembles, particularly because only the affluent may afford to live there. Davies said that's already happened.(Mike Cronin, ASHEVILLE CITIZEN-TIMES, 5/09/16).

Opioid Abuse

Despite questioning the findings of an April study that said Wilmington has the highest rate of prescription opioid abuse in the nation, area health care experts are acknowledging that addiction and abuse are on the upswing. The study, by Castlight Health, a San Francisco-based healthcare information company, gave Wilmington the dubious honor of top abuser of prescribed opioids. The Port City was one of four North Carolina cities to make the list's top 25. Health experts, however, including Eleanor Howell, director of the N.C. State Center for Health Statistics, and Joshua Swift, deputy health director at the New Hanover County Health Department, questioned the accuracy of the study. Among their concerns were the study's limited scope -- it reflects only people with health benefits administered by Castlight, the study's publisher. Swift noted that the report focused exclusively on issued prescriptions, not actual usage, and several area health care centers hold routine drug collections because pills often go unconsumed. Quibbles over Wilmington's ranking aside, however, one thing the experts agree on is that opioid addiction and abuse are a huge problem. "Drug overdoses are the leading cause of unintentional injury and death in the U.S.," Howell wrote in an email. "In North Carolina, drug poisoning deaths now outnumber motor vehicle deaths each year." Medication or drug overdose deaths have increased by more than 300 percent in North Carolina since 1999, Howell said, while heroin deaths have increased by 554 percent from 2010 to 2014 in the state.(Paul Stephen, WILMINGTON STAR-NEWS, 5/09/16).

Investigation Call

The president of the North Carolina chapter of the NAACP called on the U.S. attorney general today to conduct a comprehensive investigation into alleged misconduct by the Harnett County Sheriff's Office. During a news conference in front of the Harnett County Courthouse, the Rev. William J. Barber II said he had written a formal letter to U.S. Attorney General Loretta Lynch requesting "a comprehensive Ferguson-like investigation" into allegations raised in a recent series of articles by The News & Observer. In the series, called "Deadly Force," Harnett County residents accused members of the Sheriff's Office of aggressive behavior and overstepping their authority over several years. About 70 people attended the news conference, including family members of John Livingston II, Christian Lamar Griggs and Brandon Jolvon "Red" Bethea, all of whom died during dealings with county lawmen. Last week, the FBI said it is investigating the Nov. 15 officer-related shooting death of Livingston after a grand jury decided not to pursue a criminal case against the deputy. Barber said the situation is a systematic problem and calls for a comprehensive investigation. "We're up against a deeply entrenched situation that has shown little respect for the poor and working class families of Harnett County," Barber said. "Who is

policing the sheriff? That is the question."(Michael Futch, THE FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER, 5/09/16).

Shark Fin Removal

Interstate fishing regulators are considering changes to rules that govern the removal of fins from coastal sharks by fishermen. The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission is set to consider an amendment that would allow fishermen to bring smooth dogfish to land with fins removed as long as their total retained catch is at least 25 percent dogfish. Under current rules, fishermen can bring ashore as many finned dogfish as they choose. The proposed change is up for public comment. Officials say it would better incorporate into state regulations an exception for smooth dogfish in the Shark Conservation Act of 2010. Fishermen landed about 1.8 million pounds of smooth dogfish in 2014. They were brought ashore in New Jersey, North Carolina, New York, Virginia, Maryland, Rhode Island and Connecticut.(THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, 5/09/16).

House Bills Filed

Monday, May 9, 2016

- [HB 1051](#) (Dixon) SOLID WASTE AMENDMENTS
- [HB 1052](#) (Dixon) ELIMINATE AND CONSOLIDATE REPORTS TO ERC
- [HB 1053](#) (Dollar) CARY CHARTER AMENDMENTS
- [HB 1054](#) (Hall, L.) 10% TEACHER SALARY INCREASE
- [HB 1055](#) (None) STATE ETHICS COMM. REVISIONS
- [HB 1056](#) (Zachary) YADKIN OCCUPANCY TAX MODIFICATION

Senate Bills Filed

Monday, May 9, 2016

- [SB 820](#) (Jackson, B.) APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2016
- [SB 821](#) (Hartsell) GSC TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS 1
- [SB 822](#) (Hartsell) GSC TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS 2
- [SB 823](#) (Krawiec) TOBACCOVILLE RECALL ELECTIONS
- [SB 824](#) (Pate) HONORING OUR VETERANS

What Happened in the House

Monday, May 9, 2016

- Passed 1st Reading
 - [HB 1045](#) (Speciale) NEW BERN CHARTER/REVISED & CONSOLIDATED
 - [HB 1046](#) (Cunningham) CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT/UP MINIMUM WAGE
 - [HB 1047](#) (Jones) WELFARE REFORM/FOOD AND NUTRITION BENEFITS
 - [HB 1048](#) (Lewis) REDUCE BARRIERS TO IMPROVE NC HEALTH & SAFETY

- [HB 1049](#) (Blackwell) FUND NBPTS CERTIFICATION
- Ref To Com On Local Government
 - [HB 1045](#) (Speciale) NEW BERN CHARTER/REVISED & CONSOLIDATED
- Referred To House Committee On Appropriations
 - [HB 1049](#) (Blackwell) FUND NBPTS CERTIFICATION
- Referred To House Committee On Health and Human Services
 - [HB 1047](#) (Jones) WELFARE REFORM/FOOD AND NUTRITION BENEFITS
- Referred To House Committee On Insurance
 - [HB 1048](#) (Lewis) REDUCE BARRIERS TO IMPROVE NC HEALTH & SAFETY
- Referred To House Committee On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
 - [HB 1046](#) (Cunningham) CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT/UP MINIMUM WAGE
- Serial Referral to Finance added
 - [HB 1045](#) (Speciale) NEW BERN CHARTER/REVISED & CONSOLIDATED

What Happened in the Senate

Monday, May 9, 2016

- Passed 1st Reading
 - [SB 817](#) (Rucho) CONST. AMD. - MAX. INCOME TAX RATE OF 5.5%
 - [SB 818](#) (Rucho) INCREASE THE ZERO TAX BRACKET
 - [SB 819](#) (Krawiec) MILITARY STATE INCOME TAX RELIEF
- Ratified
 - [SB 725](#) (Rucho) UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TECHNICAL CHANGES
 - [SB 729](#) (Rucho) VARIOUS CHANGES TO THE REVENUE LAWS
- Re-referred To Senate Committee On Education/Higher Education
 - [HB 474](#) (Dobson) HEALTHY OUT-OF-SCHOOL RECOGNITION PROGRAM
- Referred To Senate Committee On Finance
 - [SB 817](#) (Rucho) CONST. AMD. - MAX. INCOME TAX RATE OF 5.5%
 - [SB 818](#) (Rucho) INCREASE THE ZERO TAX BRACKET
 - [SB 819](#) (Krawiec) MILITARY STATE INCOME TAX RELIEF
- Withdrawn From Com
 - [HB 474](#) (Dobson) HEALTHY OUT-OF-SCHOOL RECOGNITION PROGRAM

What Happened in House Committees

Monday, May 9, 2016

- All House Committees

- Reported favorably by committee . For Introduction
 - [HB 1055](#) (None) STATE ETHICS COMM. REVISIONS

What Happened in Senate Committees

Monday, May 9, 2016

- All Senate Committees

House Calendar

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

House Convenes at 2:00 P.M.

- Introduced Bills
 - [HB 1050](#) (Torbett) DOT/NO DISCRIMINATION AGAINST MOTORCYCLISTS
 - [HB 1051](#) (Dixon) SOLID WASTE AMENDMENTS
 - [HB 1052](#) (Dixon) ELIMINATE AND CONSOLIDATE REPORTS TO ERC
 - [HB 1053](#) (Dollar) CARY CHARTER AMENDMENTS
 - [HB 1054](#) (Hall, L.) 10% TEACHER SALARY INCREASE
 - [HB 1055](#) (None) STATE ETHICS COMM. REVISIONS
- Public Bills -- Second and Third Readings
 - [HB 1018](#) (Lewis) CONFIRM COMMISSIONER OF BANKS
 - [SB 749](#) (Apodaca) CONFIRM LYONS GRAY/UTILITIES COMMISSION
 - [SB 750](#) (Apodaca) CONFIRM CHRIS LOUITIT/INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Senate Calendar

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- Introduced Bills
 - [SB 820](#) (Jackson, B.) APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2016
 - [SB 821](#) (Hartsell) GSC TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS 1
 - [SB 822](#) (Hartsell) GSC TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS 2
 - [SB 823](#) (Krawiec) TOBACCOVILLE RECALL ELECTIONS
 - [SB 824](#) (Pate) HONORING OUR VETERANS
- Public Bills -- For Concurrence
 - [SB 726](#) (Rucho) IRC UPDATE

House Committee Meetings

- **Tuesday, May 10**
 - 8:30 A.M.

- House Committee On Appropriations, Transportation, 1228/1327 LB
- 11:00 A.M.
 - Cancelled -- House Committee On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, 1228/1327 LB
 - [SB 71](#) (Lee) STAGGER RRC MEMBER TERMS
- 12:00 P.M.
 - House Committee On Transportation, 643 LOB
 - [HB 971](#) (Cleveland) MOTOR FLEET CLARIFICATION
 - [HB 988](#) (Torbett) REPEAL LIGHT RAIL FUNDING CAP
 - [HB 1002](#) (Tine) FERRY SYSTEM STABILIZATION ACT

• **Wednesday, May 11**

- 10:00 A.M.
 - House Committee On Health, 643 LOB
 - [HB 1012](#) (Dobson) STUDY ALLOCATION OF CC SUBSIDIES/WAITLIST
 - [HB 1013](#) (Dobson) STUDY ALIGNMENT OF CC SERVICES APPLICATIONS
 - [HB 1014](#) (Dobson) NC-PREK CONFORMING CHANGE
- 12:30 P.M.
 - House Committee on Judiciary I, 415 LOB
 - [HB 958](#) (Pittman) FELONY DEATH IMP. BOATING/SHEYENNE'S LAW
 - [HB 1020](#) (Daughtry) INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES AMENDMENTS
 - [HB 1021](#) (Daughtry) AMEND INNOCENCE COMMISSION STATUTES
 - House Committee on Judiciary III, 421 LOB
 - [HB 995](#) (Stevens, S.) MOTIONS FOR APPROPRIATE RELIEF
 - [HB 1010](#) (Hurley) UNIFORM FEE SCHEDULE FOR IDS PILOT PROGRAM

Senate Committee Meetings

• **Wednesday, May 11**

- 11:00 A.M.
 - Senate Committee On Education/Higher Education, 544 LOB
 - Senate Committee On Transportation, 1027/1128 LB
 - [SB 723](#) (Harrington) DOT PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE CHANGES
 - [SB 761](#) (Davis, J.) SHORT-LINE RRS ASSISTANCE

- [SB 772](#) (Rabon) RENAME CAPE FEAR RIVER BRIDGE AT TAR HEEL
- [SB 778](#) (Wade) DOT TO STUDY SEPA REFORM IMPACTS

• **Tuesday, May 17**

- 12:00 P.M.
 - Senate Committee On State and Local Government, 423 LOB

N.C. Government Meetings and Hearings

Items in **BOLD** are new listings.

Tuesday, May 10

- 10:30 a.m. | The Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission holds public hearing on proposed rule changes, Wake Technical Community College, Public Safety Training Center, 321 Chapanoke Road, Raleigh.
- 12:30 p.m. | The N.C. Pesticide Board meets, Gov. James Martin Building, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh.

Wednesday, May 11

- 1:30 p.m. | The DEQ Coastal Resources Commission holds public hearing on proposed rule changes, Dare County Government Complex, 954 Marshall C. Collins Dr., Manteo.
- 2 p.m. | The Commission of Indian Affairs' Cultural Resources Committee meets via conference call. Contact: Greg Richardson, [919-807-4442](tel:919-807-4442).

Friday, May 13

- 9 a.m. | The State Ethics Commission meets, 424 N. Blount St., Raleigh. Contact: Beth Carpenter, [919-814-3611](tel:919-814-3611).

Thursday, May 19

- 10 a.m. | The Rules Review Commission meets, Rules Review Commission room, Office of Administrative Hearings, 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh.

Friday, May 20

- **9 a.m. | The NC Board of Nursing meets, 4516 Lake Boone Trail, Raleigh.**

Wednesday, May 25

- 10 a.m. | The state License to Give Trust Fund Commission meets, Miracles in Sight, 3900 Westpoint Blvd., Suite F, Winston-Salem. Contact: Vanda Wilson-Wormack, [919-715-3837](tel:919-715-3837).
- 3 p.m. | The DEQ Environmental Management Commission holds public hearing on proposed rule changes, Training Room (#1210), DENR Green Square Office Building, 217 West Jones St., Raleigh.

Thursday, May 26

- **9 a.m. | The Board of Directors of the North Carolina State Ports Authority meets, Board Room of the North Carolina Maritime Building, 2202 Burnett Blvd., Wilmington.**

Wednesday, June 1

- 9 a.m. | The State Banking Commission meets, Hearing Room, Office of the Commissioner of Banks, 316 W. Edenton St., Raleigh.

Thursday, June 16

- 10 a.m. | The Rules Review Commission meets, Rules Review Commission room, Office of Administrative Hearings, 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh.

Thursday, June 23

- 11 a.m. | The Rural Infrastructure Authority of the Dept. of Commerce meets, N.C. Commerce Board Room, 4th floor at 301 N. Wilmington St., Raleigh.

Friday, July 1

- 3 p.m. | The state Dept. of Revenue's Property Tax Commission holds public hearing on proposed rule changes, North Carolina Department of Revenue Building, Room 135, 501 N. Wilmington St., Raleigh.

Thursday, July 21

- 10 a.m. | The Rules Review Commission meets, Rules Review Commission room, Office of Administrative Hearings, 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh.

Wednesday, Aug. 10

- 10:30 a.m. | The Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission of the DOJ holds public hearing on proposed rule changes, Wake Technical Community College, 321 Chapanoke Road, Raleigh.

Wednesday, Aug. 17

- 9 a.m. | The State Banking Commission meets, Hearing Room, Office of the Commissioner of Banks, 316 W. Edenton St., Raleigh.

Thursday, Aug. 18

- 10 a.m. | The Rules Review Commission meets, Rules Review Commission room, Office of Administrative Hearings, 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh.
- 11 a.m. | The Rural Infrastructure Authority of the Dept. of Commerce meets, N.C. Commerce Board Room, 4th floor at 301 N. Wilmington St., Raleigh.

Thursday, Sept. 15

- 10 a.m. | The Rules Review Commission meets, Rules Review Commission room, Office of Administrative Hearings, 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh.

Thursday, Oct. 20

- 10 a.m. | The Rules Review Commission meets, Rules Review Commission room, Office of Administrative Hearings, 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh.
- 11 a.m. | The Rural Infrastructure Authority of the Dept. of Commerce meets, N.C. Commerce Board Room, 4th floor at 301 N. Wilmington St., Raleigh.

Wednesday, Nov. 2

- 9 a.m. | The State Banking Commission meets, Hearing Room, Office of the Commissioner of Banks, 316 W. Edenton St., Raleigh.

Thursday, Nov. 17

- 10 a.m. | The Rules Review Commission meets, Rules Review Commission room, Office of Administrative Hearings, 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh.

Thursday, Dec. 15

- 10 a.m. | The Rules Review Commission meets, Rules Review Commission room, Office of Administrative Hearings, 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh.
- 11 a.m. | The Rural Infrastructure Authority of the Dept. of Commerce meets, N.C. Commerce Board Room, 4th floor at 301 N. Wilmington St., Raleigh.

Wednesday, Jan. 25

- 9 a.m. | The State Banking Commission meets, Hearing Room, Office of the Commissioner of Banks, 316 W. Edenton St., Raleigh.

N.C. Utilities Commission Hearing Schedule

Dobbs Building
430 North Salisbury Street
Raleigh, North Carolina
More Information: <http://www.ncuc.commerce.state.nc.us/activities/activit.htm>

Monday, May 9

- Staff Conference.

Tuesday, May 10

- 10 a.m. | T-4615 Sub 0 ...Application for Certificate of Exemption to Transport Household Goods, Dobbs - Commission Hearing Room, 2nd floor, Room 2115.

Wednesday, May 11

- 7 p.m. | E-7 Sub 1101 ...Petition for Certificate for 6MW Solar (Woodleaf Site) Located at the Intersection of 801 and Old US 70, Rowan County, City of Salisbury City Hall, Council Chambers, 217 S Main St., Salisbury.

Monday, May 16

- Staff Conference.
- E-7 Sub 1101 ...Petition for Certificate for 6MW Solar (Woodleaf Site) Located at the Intersection of 801 and Old US 70, Rowan County, Dobbs - Commission Hearing Room, 2nd floor, Room 2115.

Tuesday, May 17

10 a.m. | G-40 Sub 130 ...2015 Annual Prudency Review/Annual Gas Cost, Dobbs - Commission Hearing Room, 2nd floor, Room 2115.

Monday, May 23

- Staff Conference.

Tuesday, May 31

- Staff Conference.

UNC Board of Governors

Board Room of the Spangler Center
910 Raleigh Road, Chapel Hill (**remote meeting locations in BOLD**)
More Information: <https://www.northcarolina.edu/bog/schedule.php>

Tuesday, May 10

- 4:30 p.m. | The UNC Board of Governors hold a special meeting via teleconference. Meeting originates in the Executive Conference Room, Spangler Center, 910 Raleigh Rd, Chapel Hill.

Friday, May 27

- TBA | The UNC Board of Governors, Board Room, Center for School Leadership Development, Chapel Hill.

Friday, July 29

- TBA | The UNC Board of Governors, C.S.L.D. Building, Chapel Hill.

Friday, Sept. 9

- **TBA | The UNC Board of Governors, UNC Greensboro.**

Friday, Oct. 14

- TBA | The UNC Board of Governors, C.S.L.D. Building, Chapel Hill.

Friday, Dec. 2

- TBA | The UNC Board of Governors, C.S.L.D. Building, Chapel Hill.

Other Meetings and Events of Interest

Items in **BOLD** are new listings.

Wednesday, May 25

- 9 a.m. | The NC Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the North Carolina Veteran's Business Association host Women Veterans Summit and Expo, McKimmon Center at North Carolina State University, Raleigh.

Saturday, Oct. 15

- TBD | The Equality NC Foundation host 10th annual Equality Gala, Marriott City Center, 500 Fayetteville St., Raleigh.