



# Legislative Update

*Week of August 23, 2021*

Roy Cooper, Governor

Cassandra Skinner Hoekstra, Interim Secretary

The final full week of August brought another quiet week at the General Assembly. One might think the session was winding down, but two big concerns still lie ahead – passage of a budget and redistricting. Both these activities are now at a stage of behind-the-scenes negotiation but will appear again over the coming month.

The House had a fairly uneventful two-day week. Between Tuesday and Wednesday, there were a total of four committee meetings and two voting sessions; no bills with a DPS impact were taken up. In contrast, the Senate held almost a dozen committee hearings and took up floor votes three times during the middle of the week. As expected, the Senate held votes on House Bill 436, *Support Law Enforcement Mental Health*, and House Bill 608, *Dignity for Women Who are Incarcerated*—each passing unanimously by a 44-0 vote. Both return to the House for concurrence, as the Senate made changes to the House version. In addition, the Senate concurred with the House changes to Senate Bill 207, *Various Raise the Age Changes/JJAC Recs*, and Senate Bill 300, *Criminal Justice Reform*. These two bills have been presented to Governor Cooper for his signature.

Looking ahead to next week, the House and Senate conferees will continue negotiating towards a compromise budget. As of now, the legislative calendar for next week has only one committee meeting scheduled. Neither the House nor Senate will hold voting sessions until at least Tuesday.

## DPS Bills with Action this Week

(Note: Click on the bill title to view the most current version of the bill)

Division(s) Impacted	Sponsor(s)	Bill #	Short Title	Action
EM/ABC	Yarborough	H 366	<a href="#">Regulatory Reform Act of 2021.</a>	Signed by Gov. 8/23/2021
Law Enforcement/ACJJ	K. Baker	H 436	<a href="#">Support Law Enforcement Mental Health.</a>	8/26/2021 House Regular Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub
Law Enforcement	Szoka	H 536	<a href="#">Law Enforcement Duty to Intervene.</a>	House Placed On Cal For 08/31/2021

AC	K. Baker	H 608	<a href="#">Dignity for Women Who are Incarcerated.</a>	8/26/2021 House Regular Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub
Law Enforcement	B. Jones	H 692	<a href="#">Restrict Certain Vehicle Modifications.</a>	Pres. To Gov. 8/26/2021
EM/Law Enforcement	Moore	H 805	<a href="#">Prevent Rioting and Civil Disorder.</a>	8/26/2021 House Regular Message Received For Concurrence in S Com Sub
JJ	Britt, Daniel, and Mohammed	S 207	<a href="#">Various Raise the Age Changes/JJAC Recs.</a>	Pres. To Gov. 8/26/2021
Law Enforcement	Britt, Daniel, and Lee	S 300	<a href="#">Criminal Justice Reform.</a>	Pres. To Gov. 8/26/2021
SBI/ALE	Perry and Lowe	S 688	<a href="#">Sports Wagering.</a>	8/24/2021 House Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
Victim Services/PPSB/Alarms	Rabon	S 733	<a href="#">2021 Appointments Bill</a>	8/26/2021 House Ref To Com On Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

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