



Legislative Update

Week of September 6, 2021

Roy Cooper, Governor

Cassandra Skinner Hoekstra, Interim Secretary

Between the observance of Labor Day, the kickoff of a statewide redistricting public hearings tour, and ongoing back-room budget negotiations, there continues to be a lull at the statehouse. Both the House and Senate conducted business on Wednesday. Beyond a few committee meetings, the House and Senate held floor votes on seven and 11 bills, respectively.

At a bill signing ceremony on Friday, Governor Cooper signed House Bill 608, *Dignity for Women Who are Incarcerated*, into law. This bipartisan bill includes recommendations from Governor Cooper’s Task Force for Racial Equity in Criminal Justice (TREC). It ensures proper care for female incarcerated individuals related to pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum recovery, and emphasizes the importance of mother-infant bonding.

Looking ahead to next week, it is expected to be quiet once again with further budget negotiations and additional redistricting public hearings being held throughout the state.

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
NCORR	Hanig	H 110	Landlord Submission of HOPE Application.	9/8/2021 Senate Passed 3rd Reading 28-14
EM	Kidwell, D. Hall, Bell, and Moffitt	H 264	Emergency Powers Accountability Act.	9/8/2021 Senate Passed 3rd Reading 27-15
AC	K. Baker	H 608	Dignity for Women Who are Incarcerated.	Pres. To Gov. 9/1/2021
ABC	Moffitt	H 890	ABC Omnibus Legislation.	Pres. To Gov. 9/8/2021

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