

*This Week in Review – June 8 - 12*

The NC General Assembly convened on Tuesday, April 26 to focus on the response to COVID-19.

**\*Items in bold reflect action taken this week**

<b>Bill</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>House Bills</b>			
<a href="#">House Bill 158</a>	Waive Road Test Requirement	Would temporarily waive the road test requirement for level two limited provisional licenses; would expire when the division resumes administering road tests for Level 2 license applicants	Filed 2/25/19, passed readings in House, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> readings in Senate, referred to Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, <b>conference committee appointed, conf report adopted, ordered enrolled</b>
<a href="#">House Bill 678</a>	Amend Counselor/SA/Soc. Worker Prof. Acts	An act to amend the licensed professional counselors act; to update and revise the substance abuse professional practice act; and to amend the social worker certification and licensure act	Filed 4/10/19, passed readings in House, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading in Senate, referred to Health Care
<a href="#">House Bill 1035</a>	Education Omnibus/COVID-19	An act to provide relief to school students and personnel in response to COVID-19; would provide NC schools 1-year waivers on standardized testing, school calendar flexibility, K-3 class size reductions, and teacher licensure	Filed 4/28/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Education – K-12, reported favorable, re-referred to Committee on Rules, Calendar and Operations of the House
<a href="#">House Bill 1038</a>	Omnibus COVID-19 Response Funds	An act that would provide relief to K-12 schools for funds for school nutrition, internet connectivity, summer learning programs, physical and mental health services, and more	Filed 4/28/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations, reported favorable Com Substitute, re-referred to Committee on

			Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House, withdrawn, re-referred to Committee on Health
<a href="#">House Bill 1043</a>	Pandemic Response Act	Funds relief in response to COVID-19, including funds for school nutrition, remote learning, and summer learning programs	Signed by Governor
<a href="#">House Bill 1047</a> (Senate Bill 706)	Educ. Changes for Military-Connected Students	An act to authorize student attendance for children of active duty military due to the military orders of the parent	Filed 4/29/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs
<a href="#">House Bill 1050</a>	PED/Low-Performing School Districts	Would require consideration of early childhood learning improvement plans for low-performing local schools and require that comprehensive needs assessments for low-performing schools include analysis of early childhood learning	Filed 4/29/20. passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Education – K-12, withdrawn, passed 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> reading, sent to Senate, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">House Bill 1069</a>	Retirement Technical Corrections Act of 2020	An act to make changes to the Teachers and State Employees’ Retirement System	Filed 5/12/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Pensions and Retirement
<a href="#">House Bill 1071</a>	State/Federal Funds for School Connectivity	Would provide \$4.6 million in recurring funds and \$15 million in nonrecurring funds to be used for the School Connectivity Initiative	<b>Presented to Governor</b>
<a href="#">House Bill 1084</a>	Bob Jordan Teaching Fellows Restoration Act	Enacts the Bob Jordan Teaching Fellows Restoration Program Act and appropriates funds to implement the act; removes the STEM or special education requirement	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1088</a>	Invest NC Bond Act of 2020	Would place a \$3.9 billion bond for schools, colleges and universities, and water and sewer infrastructure on the November ballot	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1091</a>	TeachNC License Plate	Would authorize the DMV to produce a “TEACHNC” special registration plate	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Finance

<a href="#">House Bill 1103</a>	2020 Omnibus Appropriations Act	An act to make appropriations for the current budget	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1107</a>	NCSSM Tuition Grant Program	Would establish a tuition grant for graduates of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics program; \$1 million in recurring funds	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1112</a>	2020 Omnibus Appropriations Act	An act to make appropriations for the current budget	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1113</a>	Expand Local Option Sales Tax for Education	An act to give Guilford County greater flexibility to use local option sales tax revenues for education	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Finance
<a href="#">House Bill 1114</a>	2020 Omnibus Appropriations Act	An act to make appropriations for the current budget	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1116</a>	Enhancing Accessibility to Teacher Prof. Dev.	Would appropriate \$350,310 in nonrecurring funds for 2020-21 to develop and implement professional development courses for teachers	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules
<a href="#">House Bill 1122</a>	Provide Affordable Broadband Access to NC	Would provide \$4.5 million for grants to Local Education Agencies to purchase mobile hotspot devices to provide Wi-Fi on school buses; \$250K to conduct research on the size and scope of the homework gap; \$125K for a third-party evaluation of the pilot program and progress toward closing the homework gap; \$125K for mobile service testing to ensure hotspots can provide adequate access for at-home educational needs	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules, Calendar, Operations of the House
<a href="#">House Bill 1123</a>	Study of Retention of K-12 Teachers	Would fund the Teacher Retention Task Force and revise the state of the teaching profession report	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Education
<a href="#">House Bill 1126</a>	Enabling Opportunity Scholarship Reporting	An act to require the administration of a common examination to a sample of certain nonpublic and public students for the purposes of enabling Opportunity Scholarship Grant Program reporting and to provide for funds for the evaluation	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

<a href="#">House Bill 1129</a>	Ensure a Sound Basic Education	An act to create new programs and make changes to the laws related to elementary secondary, and postsecondary public schools; would abolish the Opp. Scholarship Program, change performance grades to account for 51% growth and align K-12 calendars with community colleges	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
<a href="#">House Bill 1130</a>	Invest in a Sound Basic Education	An act to appropriate funds to create new programs and make changes to the laws related to early childhood education initiatives and elementary, secondary, and postsecondary public schools	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House
<a href="#">House Bill 1131</a>	Teacher Pipeline Development	Would appropriate \$75,000 in nonrecurring funds to the NC Foundation for Public School Children for the North Carolina Teacher Cadet Program	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Education – K-12
<a href="#">House Bill 1132</a>	Study on K-12 Student Retention	An act to direct the study of kindergarten through twelfth grade student retention	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Education – K-12
<a href="#">House Bill 1139</a>	Local Boards of Education Budget Flexibility	An act to allow budget flexibility for local boards of education for 2020-21	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1146</a>	Prof. Teachers & Admins. Accountability Act	An act to appropriate funds to reform the public education system; includes salary and retirement changes	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Pensions and Retirement
<a href="#">House Bill 1148</a>	Restore Master's Pay for Certain Teachers	Would reinstate education-based salary supplements for teachers with a master's, six-year, or doctoral degree they completed prior to Aug. 1, 2013; would restore salary supplements for teachers as long as they spend at least 70% of their time in the area they got their master's degree in	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1153</a>	Iredell-Statesville Bd. Of Ed/Election Method	Would provide a voter referendum on changing the method of election for the Iredell-Statesville Schools Board of Education from partisan to nonpartisan	Filed 5/19/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on State and Local Government, reported favorable, passed 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> reading, sent to Senate,

			passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading in Senate, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, <b>re-referred to Redistricting and Elections</b>
<a href="#">House Bill 1181</a>	Certain Appropriations for Education/COVID	Would appropriate \$150 million to DPI to improve internet connectivity for students by installing Wi-Fi in school buses and providing community and home internet access points; \$65 million to DPI to purchase computers for students and school personnel; \$25 million to DPI for grants for schools to apply for funds to support extraordinary costs associated with services for exceptional children; \$25 million to DPI for contracted services for school health support personnel (counselors, nurse, psychologists, and social workers)	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1182</a>	Funds for Educational Entities/COVID	Would provide funds to DPI to provide services and cover costs necessary to assist schools and students affected by COVID-19	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1185</a>	2020 Omnibus Appropriations Act	Would make appropriations for the current operations of state government and other changes in the budget operations of the state	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1186</a>	2020 Omnibus Appropriations Act	Would make appropriations for the current operations of state government and other changes in the budget operations of the state	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1189</a>	Drivers Education COVID-19 Response	Would provide \$10 million in nonrecurring funds for 2020-21 for the driver education allotment	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Education – K-12, reported fav com substitute, passed readings in House, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading in Senate, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate

<a href="#">House Bill 1190</a>	UNC-TV/At-Home Learning Initiative	Would provide \$1.9 million to the UNC Center for Public Media for the At-Home Learning Initiative to expand student learning experiences in response to the impacts of COVID-19	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1199</a> (Senate Bill 842)	Graduating Sr Numeric Grade/Appropriate Funds	Would allow graduating seniors to receive numeric grades on transcripts and to appropriate funds (\$10,000)	Filed 5/27/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Education – K-12, reported fav com substitute, passed reading in House, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading in Senate, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, <b>ratified, Ch. SL 2020-13</b>
<a href="#">House Bill 1203</a> (Senate Bill 850)	Ensure Healthy Schools/COVID-19	An act to require at least one school nurse in every school beginning in the 2020-21 school year; would provide \$102 million in recurring funds to increase the Instructional Support Allotment to provide at least one full-time school nurse in every school in the unit	Filed 5/27/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Health
<a href="#">House Bill 1206</a>	Student Mental Health Well-Being/COVID-19	Would fund additional school mental health support personnel in response to anticipated greater need due to impacts from the coronavirus disease 2019; would provide \$480 million in recurring funds to meet the following ratios: at least one school psychologist for every 700 students; at least one school counselor for every 250 students; at least one school social worker for every 400 students	Filed 5/27/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1212</a>	NC Teacher Support Program Funds	Would provide funds to support teachers participating in the NC New Teacher Support Program.	Filed 5/27/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1213</a>	DMV/Waive Rd Test/Parent/Guard. Liability	Would allow the DMV to issue a drivers license or limited provisional license before the applicant	Filed 5/27/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Transportation

		passes a road test upon condition parent or guardian accepts financial liability	
<a href="#">House Bill 1217</a> (Senate Bill 790)	HBCU/HMSI Funds/Doct. Prog./Teaching Fellows	Would allocate funds to historically black colleges and universities to address underfunding and add institutions to the Teaching Fellows Program	Filed 5/27/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1223</a>	Additional Funds for EC/COVID-19	Would provide additional funds for exceptional children impacted by COVID-19	Filed 5/27/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<a href="#">House Bill 1225</a>	Education & Transportation Bond Act of 2020	Would place an \$8 million bond on the November ballot to provide funds for public school facilities	Filed 5/27/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Appropriations
<b>Senate Bills</b>			
<a href="#">Senate Bill 476</a>	School-Based Mental Health	An act to require the State Board of Education to adopt a school-based mental health policy and to require K-12 School units to adopt and implement the plan that includes a mental health training program and a suicide risk referral protocol	<b>Signed by Governor, Ch. SL 2020-7</b>
<a href="#">Senate Bill 704</a>	COVID-19 Recovery Act	An act that includes emergency relief, including an extra \$22 million for DPI to provide funds for school nutrition programs	Signed by Governor
<a href="#">Senate Bill 706</a> (House Bill 1047)	Educ. Changes for Military-Connected Students	An act to authorize student attendance for children of active duty military due to the military orders of the parent	Filed 4/30/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Education/Higher Education
<a href="#">Senate Bill 711</a>	Eligibility Changes for Opp Scholarships	Further expands the number of students who can receive a private school voucher. Eliminates the existing eligibility requirements for students to attend private schools with public tax dollars	Filed 5/5/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 725</a>	PED/Low-Performing School Districts	An act to require consideration of early childhood learning in improvement plans for low-performing local school administrative units and to require that comprehensive needs assessments for low-	Filed 5/13/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate

		performing schools include analysis of early childhood learning	
<a href="#">Senate Bill 747</a>	\$15/Hour Min, Pay for Noncert. Sch. Employees	Would require the hourly rate of the minimum salary for noncertified public school employees to be at least \$15/hr	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 749</a>	RO Filling Stations for New Hanover Schools	An act to provide funds for reverse osmosis water filtration filling stations in New Hanover County Schools	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 764</a>	CTE Pilot for Guilford Co. Schools	An act to appropriate funds to Guilford County Schools to establish and operate an innovative signature career academy program in its traditional high schools	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Appropriations/Base Budget
<a href="#">Senate Bill 765</a>	Education Omnibus	An act to appropriate funds to make changes to laws related to elementary and secondary public schools	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 766</a>	Rebuild a Better NC Bond Act	Would place a \$3 billion bond on the November ballot	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 769</a>	Municipal Broadband Expansion	An act to enable local governments to expand access to broadband	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 771</a>	Restore Educational Sales Tax Holiday	An act to reenact the Sales and Use tax holiday for school supplies	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 787</a>	Restore Master's Pay for Teachers	An act to reinstate education-based salary supplements for teachers and instructional support personnel	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 789</a>	HBCU/HMSI Funds/Doct.Prog/Teaching Fellows	An act to allocate additional funds to HBCU's and to add certain institutions to the Teaching Fellows program	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Appropriations/Base Budget



<a href="#">Senate Bill 790</a>	HBCU/HMSI Funds/Doct.Prog/Teaching Fellows	An act to allocate additional funds to HBCU's and to add certain institutions to the Teaching Fellows program	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 791</a>	Funds for NC Pre-K	An act to appropriate additional funds for all income-eligible four-year-old children to participate in the NC Pre-K program	Filed 5/14/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Appropriations/Base Budget
<a href="#">Senate Bill 793</a> (House Bill 1113)	Expand Local Options Sales Tax for Education	An act to give Guilford County greater flexibility to use local option sales tax revenues for education	Filed 5/18/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 794</a>	Nash Bd. Of Ed. Name Change	An act to change the name of the Nash Board of Education to the Nash County Board of Education and the Nash School Administrative Unit to the Nash County School Administrative Unit	Filed 5/18/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Education/Higher Education
<a href="#">Senate Bill 800</a>	Law Enforcement & Teacher Protection Act	Would establish the Law Enforcement & Teacher Protection Reserve in the General Fund to be used for public health and testing, shortfalls in education funding and public safety	Filed 5/19/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Appropriations/Base Budget
<a href="#">Senate Bill 818</a>	Funds to DPI for ADM Growth	Would appropriate funds to DPI for increased average daily membership in public schools	Filed 5/19/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Appropriations/Base Budget, <b>reported fav com substitute, com substitute adopted, re-referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, reported favorable</b>
<a href="#">Senate Bill 819</a>	Authorize Teacher-Gov't Emp'ee Housing/Bertie	Would authorize the Windsor Township Development Commission and Bertie County to collaborate to provide affordable rental housing units to teachers and other government employees	Filed 5/19/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate

<a href="#">Senate Bill 833</a>	DMV/Mdfy Req for Driving Perm/Prov License	Would temporarily modify the requirements for a learner's permit and drivers license	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Transportation
<a href="#">Senate Bill 839</a>	PPE & Hazard Pay for Public School Employees	Extends funds for the remainder of the year for a temporary \$5 pay increase for frontline education workers; provides \$75 million for PPE for more than 180,000 public school employees	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Appropriations/Base Budget
<a href="#">Senate Bill 842</a> (House Bill 1199)	Graduating Sr Numeric Grade/Appropriate Funds	Would allow graduating seniors to receive numeric grades on transcripts and to appropriate funds (\$10,000)	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Education/Higher Education
<a href="#">Senate Bill 843</a>	Waive Road Test/DMV Expand Office Hours	Would temporarily waive the road test requirement for level two limited provisional licenses and provide funds for the DMV to implement a pilot program to expand office hours to accommodate backlogs resulting from the COVID-19 crisis	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Transportation
<a href="#">Senate Bill 844</a> (House Bill 1206)	Student Mental Health Well-Being/COVID-19	Would fund additional school mental health support personnel in response to anticipated greater need due to impacts from COVID-19	Filed 5/27/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
<a href="#">Senate Bill 850</a> (House Bill 1203)	Ensure Healthy Schools/COVID-19	An act to require at least one school nurse in every school beginning in the 2020-21 school year; would provide \$102 million in recurring funds to increase the Instructional Support Allotment to provide at least one full-time school nurse in every school in the unit	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate, re-referred to Appropriations/Base Budget
<a href="#">Senate Bill 857</a>	Private School Families Tax Incentive	Would provide tax relief during the COVID-19 pandemic to taxpayers who received federal COVID-19 stimulus checks and have children attending private school	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate



*Pre-K -12 Education Bills  
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<a href="#">Senate Bill 859</a>	Student Internet Connectivity Act	Would provide \$176 million in nonrecurring funds to expand the School Connectivity Initiative to provide home mobile internet access points to all public school students who are eligible for federally subsidized free or reduced-cost school meals	Filed 5/26/20, passed 1 <sup>st</sup> reading, referred to Committee on Rules and Operations of the Senate
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