

## NCSBA-Tracked Bills with Action March 13 - 16

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**Bill:** HB7  
**Sponsors:** Dollar (R36); McGrady (R117); Arp (R69); Richardson, B. (D7)  
**Title:** LRC/STRENGTHEN SAVINGS RESERVE  
**Summary:** An Act to Strengthen the Savings Reserve, as Recommended by the Legislative Research Commission.  
**Cospons:** Iler (R17); Dixon (R4); McNeill (R78); Martin (R8); Corbin (R120); Hall, K. (R91); Ford, C. (R76); Warren, H. (R77); Horn (R68); Hurley (R70); Cleveland (R14)  
**Progress:** 2nd Chamber: Reported from Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Senate Committee On Finance  
**Position:** Neutral

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**Bill:** HB42  
**Sponsors:** Warren, H. (R77)  
**Title:** ROWAN-SALISBURY BD. OF ED. ELECTION METHOD  
**Summary:** An Act to Provide for a Referendum to Change the Election Method of the Rowan-Salisbury Board of Education from Nonpartisan to Partisan.  
**Cospons:** Ford, C. (R76)  
**Progress:** 1st Chamber: Reported from Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Reported by House committee  
**Position:** Neutral

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**Bill:** HB135  
**Sponsors:** Elmore (R94); Johnson, L. (R83); Conrad (R74)  
**Title:** TECHNICAL CHANGES TO COURSES OF STUDY STATUTE  
**Summary:** An Act to Make Organizational and Technical Changes to the Courses of Study Statutes.  
**Cospons:** Pittman (R82)  
**Progress:** 2nd Chamber: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Senate Committee On Rules and Operations of the Senate  
**Position:** Neutral

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**Bill:** HB176  
**Sponsors:** Ross, S. (R63); Collins (R25); McNeill (R78)  
**Title:** PENSIONS INTEGRITY ACT OF 2017.-AB  
**Summary:** An Act to Make Changes that will Assist in Preventing and Detecting Fraud, Waste, and Abuse and in Ensuring the Fiscal Integrity of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System, the Retiree Health Benefit, and the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System.  
**Cospons:** Conrad (R74); Martin (R8)  
**Progress:** 2nd Chamber: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Senate Committee On Rules and Operations of the Senate  
**Position:** Neutral

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**Bill:** HB183  
**Sponsors:** Collins (R25); Ross, S. (R63); McNeill (R78)  
**Title:** RETIREMENT ADMIN. CHANGES ACT OF 2017.-AB  
**Summary:** An Act to Make Clarifying and Administrative Changes to the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System and the Local Government Employees' Retirement System Laws and Related Statutes.  
**Progress:** 2nd Chamber: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Senate Committee On Rules and Operations of the Senate  
**Position:** Neutral

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**Bill:** HB235  
**Sponsors:** Conrad (R74); Elmore (R94); Bell, J. (R10)  
**Title:** TEACHER MENTOR QUALIFICATIONS  
**Summary:** An Act to Modify the Criteria for Selection of Teacher Mentors.  
**Cospons:** Gill (D33); Steinberg (R1); Graham, G. (D12); Richardson, B. (D7); Corbin (R120); Potts (R81); Butler (D18); Strickland (R28); Williams (R37); Reives (D54); Hanes (D72); Martin (R8); Jones, Bert (R65); Wray (D27); Farmer-Butterfield (D24)  
**Progress:** 1st Chamber: Passed  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Passed in the House  
**Position:** Neutral

**Bill:** HB322  
**Sponsors:** Johnson, L. (R83); Horn (R68); Elmore (R94)  
**Title:** SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADES  
**Summary:** An Act to Increase the Weight of School Growth in the Calculation of School Performance Scores.  
**Cosponsors:** Fisher (D114); Gill (D33); Graham, C. (D47); Pittman (R82); Holley (D38); Richardson, B. (D7); Ager (D115); Turner, B. (D116); Strickland (R28); White (R26); Quick (D58); Brockman (D60); Fraley (R95); Hanes (D72); Lambeth (R75); Shepard (R15); McGrady (R117); Wray (D27); Bell, L. (D21); Lucas, M. (D42)  
**Progress:** 2nd Chamber: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Senate Committee On Rules and Operations of the Senate  
**Position:** Support

**Bill:** SB8  
**Sponsors:** Wells (R42); Brown, H. (R6); Pate (R7)  
**Title:** EASE OCC. LIC. BURDENS ON MILITARY FAMILIES  
**Summary:** An Act to Ease Occupational Licensing Burdens on Military Families by Allowing Military Members and Their Spouses to Practice Their Professions Under Licensure from Another State While Transitioning to the Requirements of the Licensing Boards of North Carolina.  
**Cosponsors:** Rabin (R12); Cook (R1); Chaudhuri (D16); Newton (R36); Dunn (R33); Jackson, J. (D37); Clark (D21); Davis, D. (D5); Brock (R34)  
**Progress:** 1st Chamber: Passed  
**Status:** 03/15/2017 – Passed in the Senate  
**Position:** Support

**Bill:** SB55  
**Sponsors:** McInnis (R25); Alexander, J. (R15)  
**Title:** SCHOOL BUS CAMERAS/CIVIL PENALTIES  
**Summary:** An Act to Authorize the Use of Photographic or Video Evidence for the Civil Enforcement of Violations for Passing a Stopped School Bus.  
**Progress:** 1st Chamber: Reported from Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Reported by Senate committee  
**Position:** Neutral

**Bill:** SB68  
**Sponsors:** Davis, D. (D5); Barefoot (R18)  
**Title:** STUDENT ATTENDANCE/PAGE PROGRAM RECOGNITION  
**Summary:** An Act to Encourage Local Boards of Education to Adopt Student Attendance Recognition Programs and to Provide that Students Serving as Legislative or Governor's Pages Shall be Eligible for Participation in These Programs.  
**Cosponsors:** Lowe (D32)  
**Progress:** 1st Chamber: Reported from Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Reported by Senate committee  
**Position:** Neutral

**Bill:** SB69  
**Sponsors:** Davis, D. (D5); Tarte (R41)  
**Title:** LOCAL GOV'T COMM/FINANCE OFFICER TRAINING  
**Summary:** An Act Providing that the Local Government Commission Shall Notify a Finance Officer or Other Employee Who Performs the Duties of a Finance Officer When He or She is Required to Participate in Training Related to the Powers, Duties, and Responsibilities of the Finance Officer and Requiring the Employing Local Government or Public Authority to Notify the Commission When the Finance Officer or Other Employee Has Completed the Required Training.  
**Progress:** 1st Chamber: Passed  
**Status:** 03/15/2017 – Passed in the Senate  
**Position:** Neutral

**Bill:** SB75  
**Sponsors:** Tucker (R35); Brock (R34); Tillman (R29)  
**Title:** CONST. AMD. - MAX. INCOME TAX RATE OF 5.5%  
**Summary:** An Act to Amend the North Carolina Constitution to Provide that the Maximum Tax Rate on Incomes Cannot Exceed Five and One-Half Percent.  
**Cosponsors:** Hise (R47); Barefoot (R18); Cook (R1); Ballard (R45); Bishop (R39); Edwards (R48); Krawiec (R31); Rabin (R12); Davis, J. (R50); Daniel (R46); Pate (R7)  
**Progress:** 2nd Chamber: Referred to Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – House Committee On Finance

**Position:** Oppose

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**Bill:** **SB131**  
**Sponsors:** Wells (R42); Cook (R1); Sanderson (R2)  
**Title:** REGULATORY REFORM ACT OF 2016  
**Summary:** An Act to Amend Certain Environmental, Natural Resources, and Other Laws.  
**Cospons:** Clark (D21); Rabin (R12)  
**Progress:** 1st Chamber: Passed  
**Status:** 03/15/2017 – Passed in the Senate  
**Position:** Neutral

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**Bill:** **SB169**  
**Sponsors:** Berger, P. (R26); Harrington (R43); Wade (R27)  
**Title:** TEACHING EXCELLENCE BONUS EXPANSION  
**Summary:** An Act to Expand Teaching Excellence Bonuses for Certain Teachers Who Would Have Received a Bonus.  
**Cospons:** Lee (R9); McInnis (R25); Krawiec (R31); Barefoot (R18)  
**Progress:** 1st Chamber: Reported from Committee  
**Status:** 03/16/2017 – Senate Committee On Rules and Operations of the Senate  
**Position:** Support