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Greetings:

At the General Assembly
For the Week

The General Assembly temporarily adjourned the 2024 short session Thursday, June 27th after considering and approving numerous pieces of legislation, as well as, overriding vetoed bills from Governor Cooper and several proposed constitutional amendments.

The adjournment resolution indicates that consideration of a budget bill may not occur before late November.

The resolution outlines several dates over the summer and fall when the House and Senate may reconvene, with limitations on the matters they can address. A weeklong session is scheduled for November 19-22, during which a variety of issues, including budget bills, can be considered. The General Assembly will not formally conclude the short session by adjourning "sine die" until mid-December.

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North Carolina lawmakers passed new laws last year and this year. Several took effect on July 1.

There were a few laws that took effect Monday:

House Bill 971: “Human Trafficking Changes.” This law makes various changes to trafficking laws including increasing the penalty for a first offense of soliciting another for prostitution. Sections that took effect in July would allow campus police agencies access to the Criminal Justice Law Enforcement Automated Data System, a database with information on offenders.

House Bill 223: “OSHR/Various SHRA Changes.” This law makes various changes to the state Human Resources Act and related laws. For instance, it eliminates a law blocking state agencies from filling a job until 21 days after the job listing had been posted.

Senate Bill 452: “DOI & Insurance Law Amendments/ Revise High School Athletics.” This law shifts authority away from the N.C. High School Athletic Association, including by requiring it to enter into an agreement with the Superintendent of Public Instruction, with reporting requirements, audits and stronger oversight.

Other laws taking effect:

- **Senate Bill 174:** “Revenue Laws Technical, Clarifying, & Administrative Changes.”
- **Senate Bill 677:** “Surveyors Right of Entry/Expedite Commercial Building.”
- **Senate Bill 508:** “2023 Budget Technical/ Other Corrections.”

I will continue to provide updated information on the bills that will become law.

NC General Assembly

Visit www.ncleg.gov, the official website of the North Carolina General Assembly. Use this website as a tool to track bills, find and communicate with your state representatives, as well as follow chamber activity, meetings and issues before the General Assembly. The 2022 Short Session began on Wednesday, May 18th at 12:00 noon.

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