

# From the Desk of **Representative**



#### **Proudly Serving Southern Wake County!**

June 14, 2024

Thank you for reading my newsletter for legislative updates and District 37 news.

This week, thousands of Southern Wake seniors will graduate high school and begin the next chapter of their lives. Congratulations seniors! In the words of Mr. Morrison, Holly Springs High School Principal, "Be kind, make good choices!"

The House passed two of my bills this week, to ban the dangerous and opioid-like addictive Tianeptine from store shelves, and to allow for out-of-state physician assistants to practice in NC through a licensure compact agreement with other member states.

It continues to be my absolute honor and privilege to serve the people of District 37 in the North Carolina House.

-Representative Erin Paré



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HB 903 "Add Tianeptine to the Controlled

#### Substance List"



On Wednesday the NC House passed a bill that Rep. Paré sponsored, HB 903 "Add Tianeptine to Controlled Substance List" which makes Tianeptine a Schedule II controlled substance. Tianeptine, or "gas station heroin", has opioid-like effects, can be highly addictive, and has resulted in significant health problems in people who use it. Tianeptine can easily be purchased in products marketed as mood enhancers and dietary supplements, with no age requirement, at convenience stores in NC.

Link to the video of Rep. Paré's remarkshere.

"I first learned about the dangers of Tianeptine from families in my district whose kids have become addicted to it. This is an important bill to protect our kids from accessing this dangerous substance. The bill passed unanimously in the House. I am very proud to lead on this bill." said Rep. Paré.

HB 1056 "PA Licensure Interstate Compact"



## **THANK YOU!**

REPRESENTATIVE

## **ERIN PARÉ**

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HB 1056: PA Licensure Interstate Compact



On Tuesday, HB 1056 "PA Licensure Interstate Compact" was voted on by the full House and passed 112-0, unanimously and without opposition.

This bill will add NC as a member state to the Compact which allows for the portability of PA licensure across member states. This is a great bill to increase access to healthcare for the people of NC and provide key workforce benefits to the state. It is especially helpful to physician assistants who relocate frequently, like military spouses. Physician assistants have the qualifications and capabilities to support the demand for medical care,

"This is a great bill, I was happy to work on it! It is great for the workforce, access to healthcare, and it helps military spouses." said Rep. Paré.

HB 237 "Unmasking Mobs and Criminals"

## UNMASKING MOBS AND CRIMINALS ACT

**HB 237** 



CRACK DOWN ON PROTESTORS WHO BLOCK ROADWAYS OR EMERGENCY VEHICLES.



PREVENT PROTESTERS FROM ABUSING COVID MASK RULES TO HIDE IDENTITIES.



ENHANCE PENALTIES FOR PEOPLE WHO COMMIT A CRIME WHILE WEARING A MASK.



This week, the NC General Assembly gave final approval to legislation to crack down on protestors who block traffic and abuse Covid mask rules to hide their identities.

Rep. Paré said, "I was proud to support this bill to deter violent bad actors while promoting peaceful protests."

Holly Springs High School Graduation



Rep. Paré attended the Holly Springs High School graduation ceremony for the Class of 2024. Principal Robert Morrison's message every year to graduates is perfect: "Be kind. Make good choices."

Rep. Paré stated, "It was exciting to see the next chapter of the lives of these seniors just beginning. The Hawks choir and band did an outstanding job. Good luck Holly Springs High School Class of 2024!" The picture below is Rep. Paré and Holly Springs Mayor Sean Mayefskie.



### 2024 Budget News

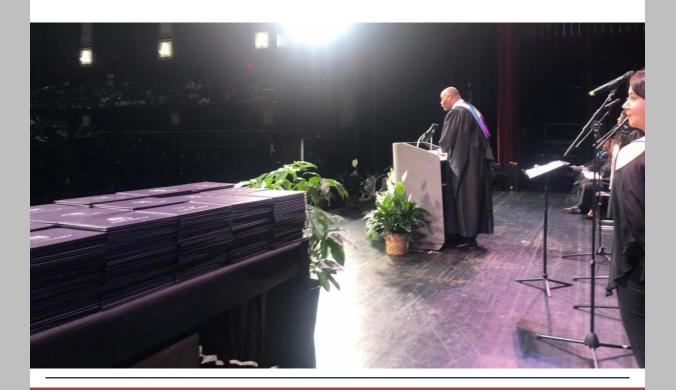
The NC House will release its budget proposal next week, which will be considered by the House Appropriations Committee on Tuesday.

State budget 'Plan B' announced as negotiations stall between House and Senate. To read more, <u>link to the WRAL article here</u>.

### South Garner High School Graduation



Rep. Paré attended the South Garner High School graduation ceremony on Thursday, and she said afterward, "It was awesome to attend the South Garner High School Class of 2024 Graduation yesterday morning. Fun fact - SGHS Principal Keith Faison was actually the principal at Holly Ridge Middle school in Holly Springs when my kids attended. It was great to see him and all of the enthusiastic seniors and families. Good luck on the next chapter of your lives seniors! We are rooting for you!"



### Week in Review

## NC HOUSE REPUBLICANS WEEKLYRECAP

- Crack down on mask-wearing criminals & traffic obstructors (HB 237)
- Provide veterinary care for retired law enforcement K-9s (HB 1042)
- Recognize out-of-state PA licenses to expand healthcare access (HB 1056)
- 🕏 Ban the drug tianeptine, also known as "gas station heroin" (HB 903)
- Increase human trafficking awareness training (HB 971)



Rep. Paré joined House colleagues this week in approving legislation that cracks down on protestors who block traffic, expands healthcare access by recognizing out-of-state physician assistant licenses, and bans a highly addictive and available drug known as "gas station heroin."

#### 2024 General Assembly Short Session

The 2024 General Assembly Short Session began on April 24th. Rep. Paré has introduced, sponsored, or co-sponsored the House Bills below.

#### Introduced bills:

HB 900, Substitute Certain CIHS Partners/Wake.

HB 909, Town of Fuguay-Varina/Deannexation.

HB 1056, PA Licensure Interstate Compact.

#### Sponsored bills:

HB 903, Add Tianeptine to Controlled Substance List.

HB 942, SHALOM Act.

#### Co-Sponsored Bills:

HB 905, Disabled Veteran Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption.

HB 966, Expedited Removal of Unauthorized Persons.

HB 971, Hotel Operation and Personnel Education Act.

HB 984, Removal of Squatters from Private Property.

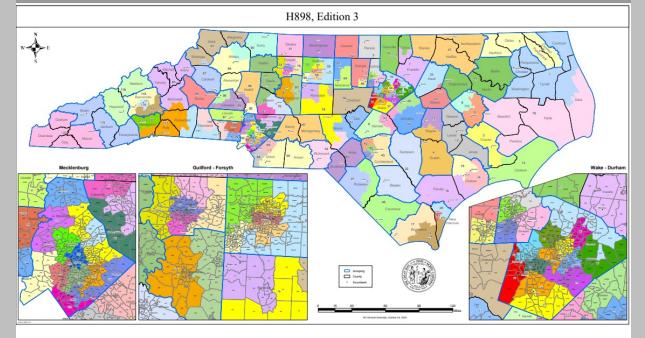
HB 1003, Jt Caucus for IDD/Omnibus.

HB 1029, Right To Try Individualized Treatments.

HB 1044, County Tier Designation Study Bill.

HB 1074, Constitutional Amendment/Citizens-Only Voting.

2024 House, Senate and Congressional District Maps

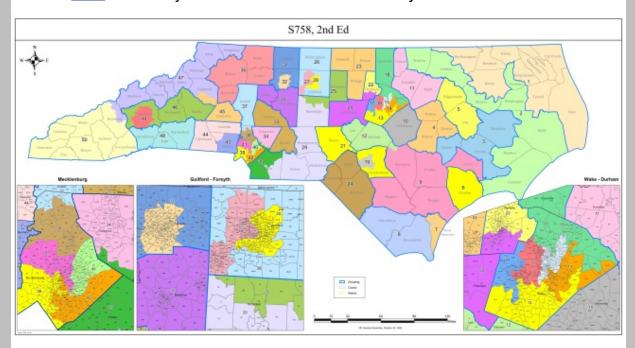


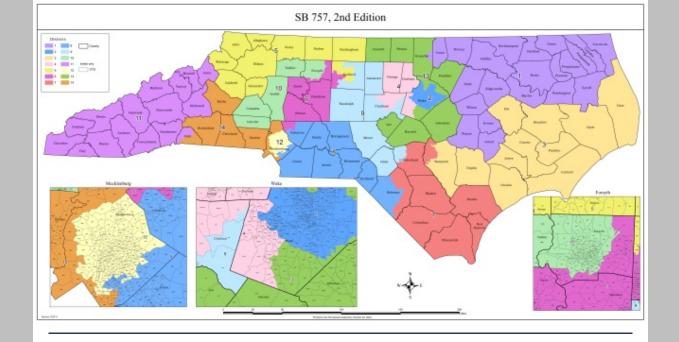
HB 898: House Redistricting Plan 2023/H898 Ed 2 (above).

<u>SB 758</u>: Realign NC Senate Districts 2023/SB758,2 Ed. <u>SB 757</u>: Realign Congressional Districts 2023/CST-4.

To drill down to precinct levels, please click the links above, and click on "19 x 36 Map."

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### **News Clips**

With spending talks idling, NC House to advance its own budget proposal—WUNC

<u>Thousands of state employees, teachers to get raises in July — even if there's no new budget — Yahoo! (News & Observer)</u>

2024 Economic Development Organization Awards - businessfacilities.com

First of Its Kind - College of Agriculture and Life Sciences- cals.ncsu.edu

North Carolina lawmakers grill head of DMV over mounting delays - WCNC

Bill for expediting eviction of squatters clears North Carolina's House Judiciary – NY Post

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