



From the Desk of **Representative**

Erin Paré

District 37

Proudly Serving Southern Wake County!

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

This week the legislature made progress on key bills, which you will read about below. We celebrated Flag Day and the birthday of the U.S. Army, and also celebrated the graduation of our high school seniors! What an exciting time for our graduates, who are about to embark on a new journey in life. Good luck Graduates, and congratulations!

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

-Representative Erin Paré



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HB 574 “Fairness In Women’s Sports Act”



This week brought a big step forward for HB 574 “Fairness In Women’s Sports Act”, for which Representative Paré is a primary sponsor. The bill passed the Senate Rules Committee, setting up the bill to be heard on the Senate floor.

HB 574 is a rational, common-sense bill that requires biological men to compete against biological men, not biological women, in high school and collegiate sports in North Carolina.

Rep. Paré stated, “We need to fight for fairness in women’s sports, no question. As a mom of two teenage competitive athletes, I am proud to be a champion for protecting women’s sports in North Carolina. Thank you to Rep. Jennifer Balkcom for your leadership on this bill.”

Op-Ed by Rep. Paré About Veterans Post-



Image from Chicago ruck march held in honor of struggling veterans. Public Domain U.S. Government image.

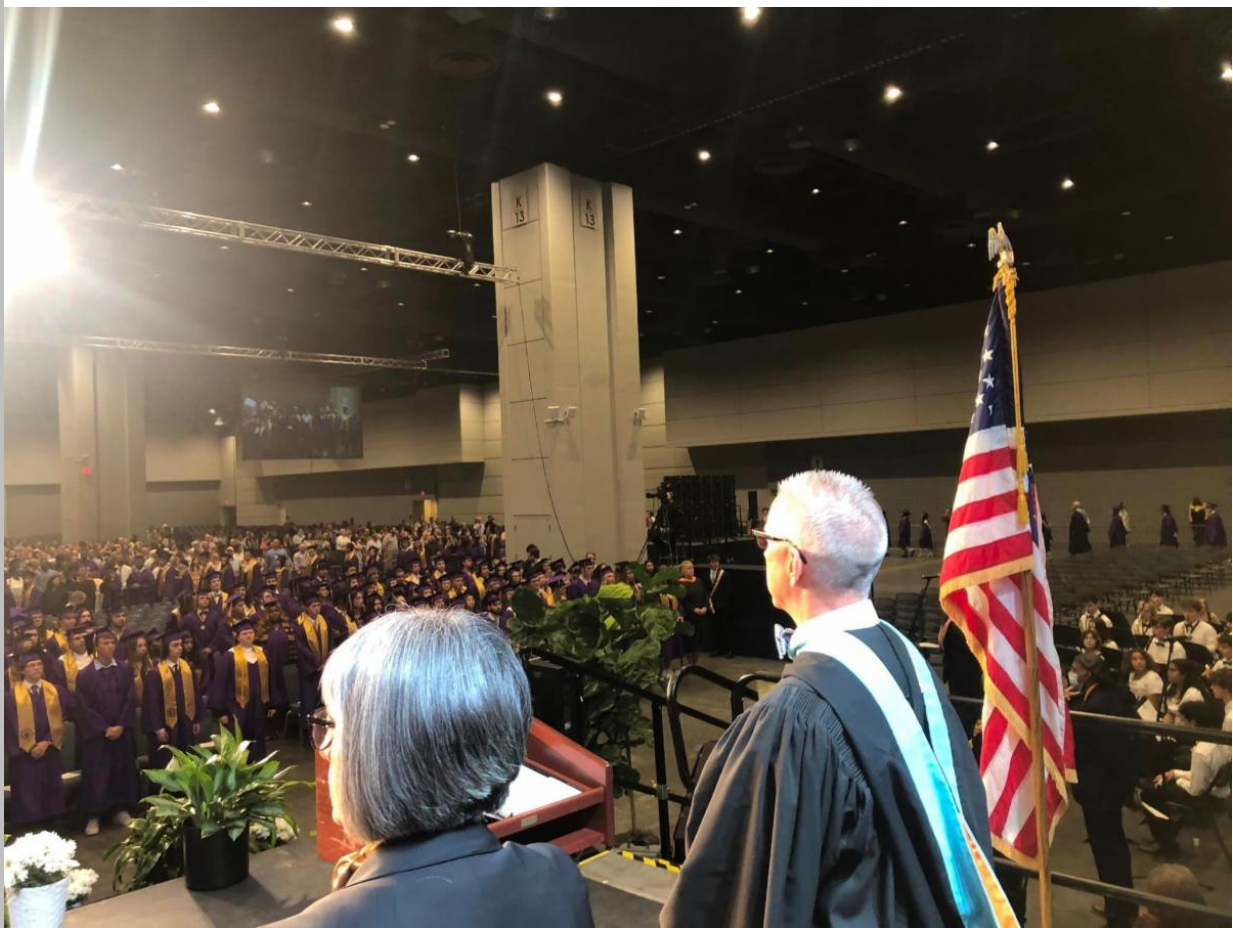
Veterans face a new crisis at home. First responders can help.

"As a military spouse to a retired Army Ranger with eight combat deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan and a member of the House Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, I am more uniquely aware than most of the issues that define many of our veterans' post-war lives." Rep. Paré remarked.

Please read Representative Paré's op-ed about combat-related PTSD, the No Veteran Left Behind Act, and the The Independence Fund's Veterans Justice Initiative (VJI).

"I'm proud to support The Independence Fund as it seeks to bring VJI to every county in North Carolina to save the lives of our nation's dedicated heroes who have already paid an immense price for our freedom."

High School Graduations



Representative Paré attended two high school graduations this week. She offers her congratulations to Holly Springs High School and Fuquay-Varina High School Graduates.

To the Holly Springs High School Class of 2023, in the words of HSHS

Principal Morrison: "Be kind, make good choices!"

To the Fuquay-Varina High School Class of 2023: "Wonderful ceremony. Good luck - your whole life is ahead of you! Go Bengals!"



SB 673 "Wastewater Regulatory Relief Act"



Representative Paré was very pleased to vote in favor of SB 673, "Wastewater Regulatory Relief Act" in the House Energy and Public Utilities Committee. "SB 673 is a smart, strategic, and forward-thinking regulatory reform bill which will be key to fast-growing areas of the state like southern Wake County. Thank you, Senator Paul Newton, for your leadership on this bill," said Rep. Paré.

Specifically, the bill will allow permittees for new or expanded wastewater treatment systems to use alternative wastewater flow calculations, to expand beyond a system's hydraulic capacity if the system meets certain requirements, and makes changes to the system development fee.

This bill has solid stakeholder support - agency, industry, and local government.

North Carolina Farm Act



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Supporting Family Farms



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Rep. Paré was proud to vote for the Farm Bill. "Supporting our family farmers locally and across the state is a highlight of my record that I am very proud of, as well as promoting our state's #1 economic business, agriculture."

June 16th Week In Review



Weekly Recap

- ✓ Prohibit radical California-style energy mandates that ban gas appliances. (HB 130)
- ✓ Ensure law enforcement are not denied access to polling places due to uniform (HB 6)
- ✓ Increase penalties for attacks on electrical substations and critical infrastructure (SB 58)
- ✓ Recognize out-of-state medical licenses for service members and spouses (HB 681)
- ✓ Promote youth outdoor recreational activities through grants and programming (SB 22)
- ✓ Allow cities to hire and train civilians to investigate minor traffic crashes (HB 140)

June 9th Week In Review



Weekly Recap

- ✓ *Support N.C. family farmers and promote agritourism (SB 582)*
- ✓ *Penalize local governments for not fulfilling annual audit (SB 299)*
- ✓ *Require public colleges to be neutral on political controversies (SB 195)*

News Clips

[North Carolina legislature increases penalty for utility damage after substation shootings – Spectrum News](#)

[Navy is teaching high school students to fly during summer academy Stars and Stripes](#)

[North Carolina takes key steps to become most military and veteran-friendly state - WRAL](#)

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[Beer industry proving to be a success, bringing billions of dollars to N.C.– Spectrum News](#)

[Fitch Affirms North Carolina's IDR at 'AAA'; Outlook Stable – Fitch Ratings](#)

[Inflation, cost of living are most on the minds of North Carolinians– The Center Square](#)

[EV and Semiconductor Projects Stand Out in States Receiving Area Development's 18th Annual Shovel Awards - Area Development](#)

[Changes to Elect Leaders of North Carolina's Largest County OK'd by General Assembly – US News & World Report](#)

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