

From the Desk of Representative



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June 7, 2024

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

This week we reflected on the service and sacrifice of the Greatest Generation, and held a moment of silence on the House floor for the 80th anniversary of D-Day.

I am pleased to see solid progress in the House on several of my bills regarding healthcare access, the workforce, and education. I am happy to see the House and Senate forge a compromise on an important bill this week, and the introduction of a bill which ensures greater election integrity. Of course, with the short session underway, I am happy to visit with constituents and groups of dedicated individuals who are advocating for important issues in the state of NC. There is a lot to share with you today!

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 1056 PA Licensure Interstate Compact

Rep. Paré introduced HB 1056 <u>PA Licensure Interstate Compact</u> in May, and this week it was given a favorable report in the House Committee on Health and the House Committee on Finance. This bill will add NC as a member state to the Compact which allows for the portability of PA licensure across member states. It will be heard in the House Rules Committee before heading to the full House for a vote.

Rep. Paré said of the bill, "I am very pleased to have introduced HB 1056 'Physician Assistant Licensure Interstate Compact' in the NC House. This is a great bill to increase access to healthcare for the people of NC and provide key workforce benefits to the state. This bill is especially helpful to physician assistants who relocate frequently, like military spouses."

She continued, "Physician assistants have the qualifications and capabilities to support the demand for medical care, and I'm very happy to lead on this common-sense bill."

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2023

H.B. 1056 May 2, 2024 HOUSE PRINCIPAL CLERK

HOUSE BILL DRH40593-NBf-172

Short Title: PA Licensure Interstate Compact. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Paré.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PA LICENSURE COMPACT FOR THE LICENSURE OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) Chapter 90 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new

Article to read:

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"Article 18J.
"PA Licensure Compact.

9 "§ 90-270.200. Purpose.

In order to strengthen access to Medical Services, and in recognition of the advances in the delivery of Medical Services, the Participating States of the PA Licensure Compact have allied in common purpose to develop a comprehensive process that complements the existing authority of State Licensing Boards to license and discipline PAs and seeks to enhance the portability of License to practice as a PA while safeguarding the safety of patients. This Compact allows Medical Services to be provided by PAs, via the mutual recognition of the Licensee's Qualifying License by other Compact Participating States. This Compact also adopts the prevailing standard for PA licensure and affirms that the practice and delivery of Medical Services by the PA occurs where the patient is located at the time of the patient encounter, and therefore requires the PA to be under the jurisdiction of the State Licensing Board where the patient is located. State Licensing Boards that participate in this Compact retain the jurisdiction to impose Adverse Action against a Compact Privilege in that State issued to a PA through the procedures of this Compact. The PA Licensure Compact will alleviate burdens for military families by allowing active duty military personnel and their spouses to obtain a Compact Privilege based on having an unrestricted License in good standing from a Participating State.

25 "§ 90-270.201. Definitions.

The following definitions apply in this Compact:

- Adverse Action. Any administrative, civil, equitable, or criminal action permitted by a State's laws which is imposed by a Licensing Board or other authority against a PA License or License application or Compact Privilege such as License denial, censure, revocation, suspension, probation, monitoring of the Licensee, or restriction on the Licensee's practice.
 Compact Privilege. The authorization granted by a Remote State to allow a
- 32 Compact Privilege. The authorization granted by a Remote State to allow a
 33 Licensee from another Participating State to practice as a PA to provide
 34 Medical Services and other licensed activity to a patient located in the Remote
 35 State under the Remote State's laws and regulations.

HB 1074 Constitutional Amendment/Citizens-Only Voting

Rep. Paré is a cosponsor of HB 1074 Constitutional Amendment/Citizens-Only Voting. She believes it is a common-sense election integrity measure to ensure that only U.S. citizens are able to vote in our elections. Polling shows that North Carolinians overwhelmingly support a citizens-only voting amendment to our state's constitution.

"I am proud to cosponsor this legislation." said Rep. Paré.

Speaker Moore introduces constitutional amendment for citizen-only voting-

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Thursday, May 23, 2024

North Carolina House Leadership Files Bill to Ensure Citizens-Only Voting

Contact: Demi Dowdy

Raleigh, NC – Today, North Carolina House Leadership filed House Bill 1074, to ensure citizens-only voting in North Carolina.

North Carolina House Speaker Tim Moore said,

In North Carolina, we value the integrity of our elections and have put safeguards in place to ensure our elections are secure. Recent efforts to allow non-citizens to vote would undermine the public's confidence in our electoral system and leave the door open for chaos and election fraud to take hold. Preventing non-citizens from voting in our elections also helps maintain national sovereignty, as it prevents foreign influence from affecting the outcomes of American elections, and this amendment to our constitution would further strengthen election integrity in North Carolina.

North Carolina House Rules Chairman Destin Hall said.

Tightening our elections laws so that only U.S. citizens are voting in this country ensures that those making decisions about our country's future have a vested interest in its well-being. Voting is a fundamental right and privilege reserved for citizens of the United States, and I am proud to support this effort to ensure the integrity of our elections.

North Carolina House Majority Leader John Bell said,

<u>Polling shows North Carolinians overwhelmingly support</u> a citizens-only voting amendment to our state's constitution. It is a commonsense measure to further safeguard and uphold the integrity of our elections. I am proud to sponsor this bill with my colleagues and confident the voters of North Carolina will join us in this effort.

North Carolina House Majority Whip Karl Gillsespie said.

In order to preserve the democratic principles of our nation, it is imperative that we ensure the integrity of our elections. I am proud to sponsor this bill.

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HB 237 Unmasking Mobs and Criminals Conference Report



North Carolina GOP Lawmakers Agree to Add a Health Exemption to a Bill That Limits Masking - usnews.com

"Republican lawmakers in North Carolina struck a compromise on a bill that

now maintains a health exemption for masking in public while preventing the use of masks during criminal activity.

"The bill had moved quickly through the Senate until Rep. Erin Pare, Wake County's only Republican General Assembly member, posted on X that she wouldn't vote for the bill if it removed the health exemption. Her opposition led the House to pump the brakes on the bill's passage two weeks ago, which sent it to a negotiations team of lawmakers to reach a compromise."

"Now, Pare told The Associated Press she was happy with the health provision, saying it was 'the right thing to do.'

'The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services drafted that specific language,' she said."

The House is expected to take up the bill next week."

Wake Young Men's Leadership Academy and Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy

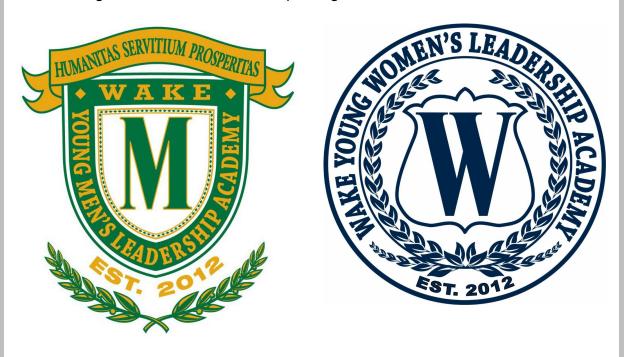


Good news for the families of the Wake Young Men's and Wake Young Women's Leadership Academies! HB 900 <u>Substitute Certain CIHS</u>

<u>Partners/Wake</u> passed the House unanimously this week and is headed to the Senate.

"I am happy to lead on this bipartisan bill, which is an agreement between Wake County Public Schools and the Department of Public Instruction (State Board of Education) to allow the Wake Young Men's Leadership Academy and the Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy to maintain their status as Cooperative Innovative High Schools in order to expedite the substitution of a new higher institution partner for the programs as soon as possible," said Rep. Paré.

"Many impacted families reached out to my office for help with this issue due to the accreditation situation at St. Augustine University earlier this year. I appreciate the collaborative approach to this bill from my colleagues Rep. Sarah Crawford, Rep. Ya Liu, and Rep. Maria Cervania, NC Superintendent of Public Instruction Catherine Truitt, and WCPSS Superintendent Taylor, and I am looking forward to the bill's swift passage in the Senate."



NC Farm Act Passes the House



SB 355 North Carolina Farm Act of 2024 passed the House on Thursday and was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

"I was proud to vote for the NC Farm Act of 2024 to further support our family farmers and our state's number one economic business, agriculture," stated Rep. Paré.

80th Anniversary of D-Day



June 6th was the 80th Anniversary of D-Day, the Allied Invasion of Normandy in World War II. Yesterday on the House floor, several Members delivered profound reflections about the heroism and sacrifice of our Greatest Generation.

"It brings tears to my eyes to listen in reverence to stories about who these men were personally and the bravery of their actions on D-Day, 80 years ago yesterday etched in time. May God Bless every single one of them and their families, and every member of our military." said Rep. Paré.

Short Session Brings Many Visitors
Representing a Wide Variety of Issues
Important to NC



Rep. Paré is an Education Champion



As your State Legislator, Rep. Erin Paré is an education champion:

- Raised teacher pay
- Funded schools
- Led on STEM education and workforce readiness
- · Funded school safety and SROs
- · Voted to expand parental school choice
- Raised pay for bus drivers, teacher assistants, school custodians

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.

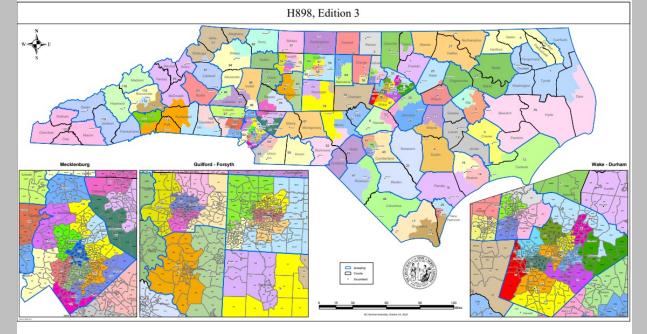
HB 1003, Jt Caucus for IDD/Omnibus.

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

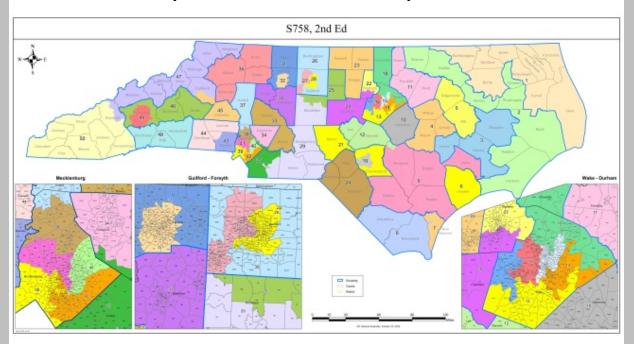


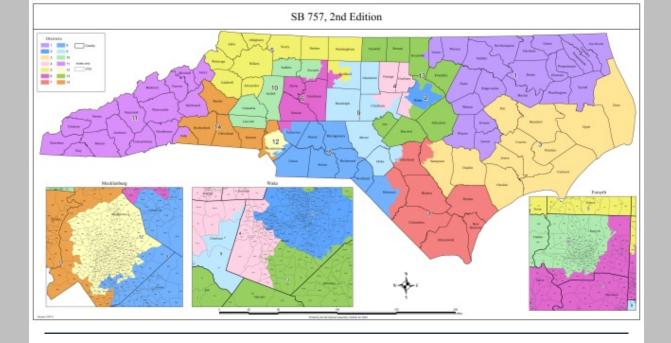
HB 898: House Redistricting Plan 2023/H898 Ed 2 (above).

<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."

Click <u>here</u> to check your 2024 voting districts by name. Click <u>here</u> to check your current and 2024 districts by address.





News Clips

State senator says DMV would be out of business if it were in the private sector – Carolina Journal

Wild, Wild West of hemp: How business is booming as state lawmakers weigh regulations – Spectrum News

House Health Committee Discusses 'Right to Try' - Carolina Journal

Got business with NC DMV? Saturday hours are back at select driver license offices. - ca.news.yahoo.com

If Raleigh Budgeted More Like N.C., Taxpayers Would Save Millions-Forbes

Pottery contributes to the state's history and billions to the economy— Spectrum News

NC lawmakers discuss ban Russia/China ownership of quartz mines-Business NC

House committee approves community college request to change funding model - EdNC

North Carolina tourists spent record in 2023 - Business North Carolina-businessnc.com

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