

**STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES  
Legislative Update**

BILL #	TITLE	DESCRIPTION	SPONSORS
H 015	<a href="#">Year-Round UGETC Funding</a>	Allows community colleges to earn budget FTE for teaching courses included on the Universal General Education Transfer Course (UGETC) list of the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement between the Community College System and UNC. UGETC courses transfer as general education credit to all 16 UNC institutions. <b>(Recommendation of the NCACCP and the State Board)</b>	Pendleton; Stam; Yarborough;
H 018	<a href="#">Planning Year for CIHSs</a>	Provides that Cooperative Innovative High Schools (CIHS) applications requesting State funds may be approved contingent upon the General Assembly's appropriation of additional funds or the funding for a planning year. Appropriates funds for planning years.	S. Martin; Horn; Shepard; Hanes;
H 019	<a href="#">Waive Tuition/Fallen Officer Was Guardian</a>	Provides that the tuition waiver for survivors of law enforcement officers, firefighters, rescue squad workers and certain others also applies to children whose legal guardian was one of the above.	C. Graham
H 035	<a href="#">Education Innovation Task Force</a>	Establishes the Legislative Task Force on Education Innovation and directs the Task Force to determine if there is a need to create a permanent committee dedicated to examining innovative practices in education designed to improve student achievement. Directs the Task Force to report to the 2017 General Assembly	Elmore; S. Martin; Horn; Cotham;

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H 047	<a href="#">Youth Career Connect</a>	Authorizes the enrollment of 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> graders in community college courses at SPCC in association with the federal Youth Career Connect Grant awarded to Anson County Schools. Allows SPCC to earn budget FTE for the 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> graders enrolled in community college courses.	Brody; Horn
H 056	<a href="#">State Health Plan/Rehired Retiree Eligibility</a>	Allows State retirees who return to work for the State in nonpermanent positions to retain their retiree health care coverage under TSERS rather than limiting the retirees coverage option to the Bronze Level plans under the ACA.	Holloway; L.Johnson; McGrady; Lucas;
H 087	<a href="#">Community Colleges Program Audit</a>	<i>Would implement recommendations of the Program Audit Study Committee</i>	Glazier; McGrady G. Martin
H 113	<a href="#">Protect Our Students Act.</a>	Upon request of an institution of higher education requires the Sheriff of a county to provide a report for any registrant on the sex offender registry who has stated that he or she is an employee or student or expects to become a student or employee of the institution.	Hastings; Presnell; R. Turner; Bishop;
H 118	<a href="#">Create Veterans Task Force/PED Report.</a>	Requires State agencies that provides services or benefits to veterans, service members, or their families to track outcomes and provide detailed reports on the number served, sources of funding to the Veterans' Task Force.	Horn; G. Martin; S zoka;
H 129	<a href="#">High Achieving Tuition Scholarships.</a>	Provides scholarships to NC high school or home school students with at least a 3.5 GPA, is a US citizen, and complies with the selective service requirements to attend a community college. Requires colleges to ensure scholarship recipients are provided counseling and assistance in selecting coursework. For students planning to transfer to a UNC institution, requires SBCC to ensure credits are transferable. Requires UNC-BOG to adopt a policy to permit	Elmore; Dobson; Holloway; McNeill;

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		a student admitted to a UNC institution who receives a scholarship to defer admission for 2 years.	
H 188	<a href="#">Trustee Appointments/Isothermal Comm. Coll.</a>	Removes appointment authority of local board of education and gives appointment authority for those seats to the General Assembly.	Hager;
H 252	<a href="#">Conflict of Interest/Certain Relationships.</a>	Requires persons covered under the State Government Ethics Act to recuse themselves from official action resulting in a financial benefit to a lobbyist, liaison, lobbyist principal or liaison's employing agency if the person is married to or has certain relationships with the lobbyist or liaison.	Glazier; Faircloth; G. Martin; Daughtry
H 264	<a href="#">Community Colleges 403(b) Plan.-AB</a>	Allows community colleges to participate in the State Treasurer's 403(b) supplemental retirement plan. <b>(Recommendation of the NCACCP and the State Board)</b>	McNeill;
S 003	<a href="#">State Emps./No Payroll Dues Deductions.</a>	Repeals payroll deductions for payments to employees' associations.	Ralph Hise;
S 006	<a href="#">State Health Plan/Rehired Retiree Eligibility</a>	Allows State retirees who return to work for the State in nonpermanent positions to retain their retiree health care coverage under TSERS rather than limiting the retirees coverage option to the Bronze Level plans under the ACA	Jerry W. Tillman; Chad Barefoot;
S 037	<a href="#">Waive Tuition/Fallen Officer Was Guardian</a>	Provides that the tuition waiver for survivors of law enforcement officers, firefighters, rescue squad workers and certain others also applies to children whose legal guardian was one of the above.	Jane W. Smith; Tom Apodaca;
S 112	<a href="#">Comm. Fishing Courses/Coastal Colleges.</a>	Bill urges all coastal area community colleges to offer classes on commercial fishing and aquaculture and requires the SBCC to provide technical assistance on offering these courses.	Bill Cook; Jerry W. Tillman; Norman Sanderson

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S 126	<a href="#"><u>Create Veterans Task Force/PED Report.</u></a>	Requires State agencies that provides services or benefits to veterans, service members, or their families to track outcomes and provide detailed reports on the number served, sources of funding to the Veterans' Task Force.	Louis Pate; Ben Clark; Don Davis;
S 251	<a href="#"><u>In-State Tuition For Certain Veterans.</u></a>	Bill would implement federal requirement for in-state tuition for veterans and certain dependents by July 1.	Ben Clark; Wesley Meredith;
S 328	<a href="#"><u>Community College Audits.</u></a>	Makes statutory changes to program audit recommended by the Program Audit Committee; however, gives the auditing function to the State Auditor. Also requires colleges to contract with the State Auditor for financial audits (currently colleges can contract with outside CPAs).	Jim Davis
S 334	<a href="#"><u>SBCC Election.</u></a>	Sets April 16, 2015 for election of House and Senate appointees to the State Board.	Dan Soucek; Jerry W. Tillman;