



HOUSE BILL 74: House Budget Technical Corrections.

2025-2026 General Assembly

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Analysis of:	PCS to First Edition H74-CSMHfa-1		

OVERVIEW: *The Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) for House Bill 74 will make various technical corrections to the house budget in the areas of the Education, Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources, Justice and Public Safety, General Government, Statewide, Transportation, and Finance.*

BILL ANALYSIS: The PCS includes the following:

- **Section 1.1** will extend the deadline for unexpended funds for certain directed grants to non-state entities in the 2022 Current Operations Appropriations Act from December 31, 2024, to June 30, 2026. This section is effective retroactively to December 31, 2024.
- **Section 2.1** will revise the deadline for the UNC's statutory requirement to report to the General Assembly on State budget allocations and policies from February 1 to March 1 of each year.
- **Section 2.2** will include "student-oriented professionals" and "all temporary employees" in the list of employees of The University of North Carolina to be exempt from the minimum wage and overtime compensation provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act.
- **Section 4.1** will reallocate the funds allocated to the City of Oxford by S.L. 2023-134 to the South Granville Water and Sewer Authority for the same purpose and to Franklin, Catawba, and Hertford counties for other projects.
- **Section 4.2** will make a technical correction to the megasites readiness program to allow the use of programmatic funds for all programmatic purposes, rather than just site acquisition.
- **Section 5.1** will transfer the Center for Missing Persons from the Department of Public Safety to the State Highway Patrol, adjusts the requirements that must be met before an AMBER Alert or Silver Alert may be issued, and makes various conforming changes. Additionally, this section will create three new alerts that may be issued by the Center: (i) a Missing Endangered Alert, (ii) an Ashanti Alert, and (iii) a Missing-Weather Alert.
- **Section 5.2** will transfer the listed personnel from the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Information Technology to the State Highway Patrol.
- **Section 5.3** will transfer certain non-sworn personnel from the Division of Motor Vehicles License and Theft Bureau of the Department of Transportation to the State Highway Patrol.
- **Section 6.1** will revise various directed grants originally provided in the 2023 Current Operations Appropriations Act (S.L. 2023-134).

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- **Section 6.2** will add an effective date of July 1, 2025, to changes to underinsured motor insurance laws.
- **Section 6.3** will direct the Department of Administration to reassign the second and fourth floors of the Archdale Building to the State Highway Patrol for its use.
- **Section 7.1** will reallocate a SCIF grant to the City of Charlotte from the 2023 COAA, as amended by S.L. 2024-1, and change the purposes for a SCIF grant to Clay County originally appropriated in the 2021 COAA. The funds granted to the City of Charlotte in the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 fiscal years will instead be provided in the form of several separate grants to other entities.
- **Section 8.1** will clarify the name of the bridge on U.S. Highway 74 that crosses over the Catawba River at the Mecklenburg County line and Gaston County line as the "Representative Dana Bumgardner Bridge."
- **Section 9.1** (i) will expand the type of real property interest that can be donated to be eligible for the credit to match the federal definition for a qualified conservation contribution and (ii) will detail the proration formula when applications for the credit exceeds certain maximums.

EFFECTIVE DATE: **Section 10.1**, except as otherwise provided, makes the PCS for HB 74 effective when it becomes law.