

2018 State Legislative Update

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Presentation Overview



Mecklenburg County 2018 Legislative Agenda



Legislation Highlights



2018 Legislative Agenda Outcomes

- 1. Support fully funding the elimination of Pre-K waiting lists statewide and pursue a subsidy market rate adjustment for ages 3-5 in Tier 3 counties.
- 2. Support efforts to provide resources to fully implement the Juvenile Justice Reinvestment Act.
- 3. Support Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools' efforts to increase state funded pay increases for public school teachers, teacher assistants, principals, assistant principals and non-instructional staff.
- 4. Support School Capital Bond to address critical needs for new facilities and renovations.
- 5. Secure funding for 3 additional magistrates to enable safer and more adequate service in the northern portion of the county.



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6 constitutional amendments- tax cap, voter ID, appointments, judicial vacancies hunting/fishing, victims rights.

HB 1031 - repeals statute allowing local Boards of Education to file legal action against Boards of County Commissioners challenging funding.

SB 99 - requires the Governor to report to the legislature any modifications or cancellation of the I-77 HOT Lanes project.

SB 99 - allows cities to use revenues for public education.

HB 514 - authorizes Mint Hill, Matthews, Cornelius, and Huntersville to open charter schools.

SB 561 - exempts property tax leasehold interest in exempt property.



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SB 325- stipulates consistent hours for one-stop early voting and requires counties to submit annual reports on voter list maintenance.

SB 655- changes the date of NC primary elections from May to March preceding the November election with filing in December rather than February.

SB 757- makes various changes (including adding one new judgeship to Superior Court in Mecklenburg County) to the Superior Court Districts, District Court Districts, and Prosecutorial Districts.

SB 99- \$125,000 grant to Cornelius for the North Mecklenburg Community Art Center and \$50,000 grant to Huntersville for the Veterans Park project.





2019-2020 Legislative Agenda and Guidelines Development - September through November.





2018 Legislative Update Questions?

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