

The 2010 session of the North Carolina General Assembly convened on May 12, 2010 and adjourned on July 10, 2010. The next regular session of the General Assembly will convene on January 26, 2011.

The following is a list of bills related to planning, land use regulation, environment, transportation, and similar matters considered in the 2010 session.

House bills are listed first, followed by Senate bills. The last action taken in each house is indicated. "Comm. fav." indicates the bill was reported out of a committee with a favorable recommendation, but no floor action was taken. "Passed" indicates the bill passed third reading in the indicated house. If the last column is blank, the bill did not receive final legislative approval. "Ratified" indicates final legislative approval was made and the bill ratified, but the bill is awaiting gubernatorial action before becoming law (the Governor may veto or sign bills within 30 days of of presentment). For bills that became law, a session law chapter number is included in the last column.

Quick links to the bill texts are provided for some bills. Clicking on the underlined Bill Numbers in the far left column will take you to the General Assembly's detailed information on that bill (including sponsors, detailed bill history, and votes). That site also has a link for the text of the bill. Clicking on the underlined Session Law numbers in the far right column will take you to a copy of the bill as enacted. Copies of the texts of all bills, and a detailed legislative history for each bill, can be obtained through the General Assembly's [Bill Information](#) web site.

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Bill Number	Title/Short Description	Identical	House Action	Senate Action	Session Law Chapter No.
H. 80	Ban internet sweepstakes cafes/video poker effective 12/1/2010		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-103
H. 116	Revise laws regarding preservation of railroad rights of way		Passed		
H. 136	Allow fiber optic cable in DOT ROW		Passed		
H. 143	Strengthen disaster preparedness and planning for long-term care facilities		Passed		
H. 337	Deannex specified area from Statesville		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-28
H. 617	Prohibit DENR and local health department employees from outside work on wastewater site or system evaluation, consultation, or maintenance		Passed		
H. 683	Extend period that permits and development approvals are extended from 12/31/10 to 12/31/11		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-177
H. 710	Archer Lodge boundary correction		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-85
H. 961	Ethics and campaign finance reforms		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-169
H. 972	Create Uwharrie Regional Resources Commission		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-176

H. 1000	Allow Allegheny and Surry Counties to withhold building permits if property taxes are delinquent		Passed		
H. 1099	Clarify effective date of SEPA exemption		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-188
H. 1335	Moratorium on EMC rule-making regarding testing water at animal feeding operations until 7/1/11		Passed	Passed	
H. 1353	Prohibit cities and counties from restricting clotheslines that are not visible at ground level when facing a public or common area		Passed		
H 1659	Referendum (11/2012) on Constitutional amendment to limit use of eminent domain		Passed		
H. 1708	Amend Clean Marinas program and allow CRC to permit terminal groins if specified conditions met		Passed	Passed	
H. 1743	Require DENR to develop basinwide hydrologic models		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-143
H. 1747	Require DENR task force on information for assessing water and wastewater needs and to consider monitoring financial condition of public water and wastewater systems	S. 1292	Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-150
H. 1748	Direct Dept. of Agric. and DENR to develop plan re agricultural water needs; encourage voluntary conservation of agricultural water supplies; design cost-share program		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-149
H. 1771	Encourage water conservation measures		Comm. fav.		
H. 1804	Green energy study by Energy Policy Council	S. 1225	Passed		
H. 1806	Establish Commission and Advisory Council on Climate Change	S. 1221			
H. 1807	Support federal climate change legislation				
H. 1808	Direct DNER to develop climate change adaptation strategy	S. 1223			
H. 1809	Study carbon offsets and carbon sequestration	S. 1220			
H. 1814	Allow Cabarrus County energy efficiency projects without bidding and lease restrictions		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-63
H. 1867	Add standards for voluntary and involuntary annexation of low-income areas	S. 1236			
H. 1870	Safe artificial slope construction act -- require local ordinances on planning, designing and constructing artificial slopes in mountain areas		Comm. fav.		

H. 1976	Expand landmark protection options for Thomasville				
H. 2011	Impose one year moratorium on electronic billboards				
H. 2014	Remove damage cap and direct CRC review of offshore oil spills	S. 1384			
H. 2030	Authorize and tax video gaming operations				
H. 2040	Allow Mecklenburg County energy efficiency projects without bidding and lease restrictions	S. 1335			
H. 2047	Refine jurisdiction for Wingate minimum code for commercial buildings		Comm. fav.		
H. 2049	Modify referendum requirements for increasing Oak Island height limits		Comm. fav.		
H. 2062	Modify Kannapolis subdivision authority re developer road, sidewalk, and community service financing				
H. 2065	Allow Carolina Beach to exercise authority within Harbor area, consistent with state laws		Comm. fav.		
S. 117	Prohibit cities and counties from adopting development moratoria for purpose of developing or adopting new or revised development ordinance			Passed	
S. 173	Restore ETJ authority to Wilmington (within New Hanover County)	H. 965	Comm. fav.	Passed	
S. 222	Allow Wilmington to impose half cent sales tax with proceeds used to address traffic congestion	H. 967	Comm. fav.	Passed	
S. 294	Williamston vegetation ordinance	H. 322		Passed	
S. 315	Allow Southport-Progress Energy annexation agreement	H. 347	Passed 2d	Passed	
S. 372	Clarify law regarding public nuisances, abatement actions, actions of tenants		Comm. fav.	Passed	
S. 429	New Hanover County energy-related incentives			Passed	
S. 595	Require DOT to accept pedestrian improvements on state roads within municipalities		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-37
S.636	Allow grants to local governments to remove nuisance structures on ocean beaches and direct study of relocation of endangered structures and hazard mitigation for endangered structures	H. 736	Comm. fav.	Passed	

S. 650	Regulation of golf carts by local governments			Passed	
S. 653	Revise statute regarding city council member abstention/recusal from voting if conflict of interest, require study of issue		Comm. fav.	Passed	
S. 716	Reform government ethics laws		Passed	Passed	
S. 761	Study developer cost apportionment for streets		Comm. fav.	Passed	
S. 778	Limit application of State Envir. Policy Act to economic development incentives		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-186
S. 832	Allow CRC to permit terminal groins by variance under specified circumstances			Passed	
S. 836	Remove cap on damage liability for oil spills, add provisions on oil spill response and preparedness		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-179
S. 833	Delineate river basins for planning	H. 802		Passed	
S. 886	Authorize cleanfields renewable energy demonstration parks		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-195
S. 897	2010 Budget Act		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-32
S. 900	2010 Studies Act		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-152
S. 998	Prohibit CRC from ordering removal of temporary erosion control devices in communities with beach restoration or inlet relocation programs until 9/1/10; require DENR/CRC study temporary erosion control			Passed	
S. 1114	Allow Asheville, Carrboro, Chapel Hill energy efficiency projects without bidding and lease restrictions	H. 1888	Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-57
S. 1135	Red Oak and Rocky Mount deannexations	H. 1671	Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-26
S. 1215	Amend reporting requirements on economic incentive programs and eliminate some programs				
S. 1220	Study carbon offsets and carbon sequestration	H. 1809			
S. 1221	Establish Commission and Advisory Council on Climate Change	H. 1806			
S. 1223	Direct DNER to develop climate change adaptation strategy	H. 1808			
S. 1224	Direct state agencies to study need for climate change adaptation consideration				

S. 1225	Green energy study by Energy Policy Council	H. 1804			
S. 1236	Add standards for voluntary and involuntary annexation of low-income areas	H. 1867			
S. 1259	Delay and study Boylston Creek reclassification by DNER	H. 1677	Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-157
S. 1333	Establish Sustainable Communities Task Force {included in S. 897}	H. 1701			
S. 1335	Allow Mecklenburg County energy efficiency projects without bidding and lease restrictions	H. 2040			
S. 1361	Transfer specified area from High Point to Greensboro		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-75
S. 1362	Adjust Alamance/Orange county boundary based on updated survey	H. 1933	Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-61
S. 1384	Remove damage cap and direct CRC review of offshore oil spills	H. 2014			
S. 1385	Create legislative water quality cost share study committee				
S. 1389	Deannex specified area from Graham	H. 1960	Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-27
S. 1399	Revise Durham County protest petition provisions	H. 2033	Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-80
S. 1407	Lottery commission authorize and regulate video gaming				
S. 1432	Lexington deannexation				
S. 1435	Expand Winston-Salem/Forsyth County zoning enforcement abatement options		Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-62
S. 1443	Modify Kannapolis subdivision authority				
S. 1444	Authorize Concord and Kannapolis annexations; Kannapolis jurisdictional shift to county	H. 2061	Passed	Passed	S.L. 2010-86
S. 1449	Incorporate Lake James				