

Seven Bills Become Law With Governor's Signature

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RALEIGH, (SGRToday.com) - Seven bills presented to Gov. Pat McCrory have become law with governor's signature on Monday.

They are:

- House Bill 346 (Reps. Faircloth, Stam, Hardister and Glazier) - A bill authorizing counties and cities to attach and garnish a member of the governing body if the county or city has been granted a money judgment against that member and the money judgment has not been satisfied.
- House Bill 894 (Catlin, Hamilton and Moffitt) - A bill improving source water protection planning.

-- House Bill 1043 (Arp and Hager) - a bill clarifying the statutes related to the use of prequalification in public construction contracting, as studied by the Joint Purchase and Contract Study Committee.

-- Senate Bill 477 (Sens. Meredith, Newton and Walters) – A bill prohibiting insurers and health benefit plans from limiting or fixing the fee an optometrist may charge patients for services or materials unless the services or materials are covered by reimbursement under the plan or insurer contract with the optometrist.

-- Senate Bill 58 (Sen. Brown) – A bill making technical corrections to Session law 2014-17, which addresses the clarifications made to certain state laws addressing groundwater contamination lawsuits. The initial legislation was passed in response to the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in CTS Corp. v. Waldburger. Without that legislation, the ruling could have resulted in the dismissal of certain groundwater contamination suits.

-- Senate Bill 871 (Sens. McKissick and Woodard) - A bill removing certain property from the corporate limits of Raleigh and into the corporate limits of Durham.

-- Senate Bill 790 (Sen. Cook) – A bill phasing in the sales tax rate on electricity sold by Cape Hatteras Electrical Membership Corporation and the sales tax rate on piped natural gas sold by “gas cities,” to modify the property tax deferral program for site infrastructure land, and to delay the change in the highway use tax base to include dealer administrative fees.