

## Democratic-Party Aligned Groups To Continue Anti-GOP Protests At Legislature

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RALEIGH, (AP) — The mass protest movement “Moral Mondays” returns to the North Carolina Legislature this week, as lawmakers work on passing the state budget.

Protesters are calling for a repeal of last year's laws on unemployment insurance and requiring a voter ID. They also want more funding for social programs and a Medicaid expansion.

Republicans, who control both houses in the Legislature, have not signaled a shift in direction. They say their laws have put North Carolina on the path to economic prosperity.

Terry Van Duyn was arrested during protests last year. Now, as a newly elected Democratic senator from Buncombe County, she hopes to influence things from the inside.

All people and groups visiting the Legislative Building will also face new building rules that will govern how and where they can gather to demonstrate outside the House and Senate floors.