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H523 - Drivers License Designation/American Indian. (SL 2016-75)

S.L. 2016-75 directs the Division of Motor Vehicles to use the specific designation "AI" for American Indian driver's license applicants who request to have race designated on their drivers' licenses.

This act becomes effective October 1, 2016, and applies to drivers' licenses issued or renewed on or after that date.

H805 - Measurability Assessments/Budget Technical Corrections. Sec. 2.4: County Services Provided to Tribal Lands. (SL 2016-123)

Sec. 2.4 of S.L. 2016-123 requires counties to provide, on lands held in trust by the United States for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians ("tribal lands"), public health or human services traditionally provided by county agencies and not otherwise assumed by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, regardless of whether the county has entered into an agreement with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to provide such services.

This section also provides that any agreement between the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a county for provision of county services on tribal lands:

- Need not describe any compensation for services provided;
- Must be approved by the Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, rather than by the Tribal Council; and
- Must be signed by the county manager or delegated department head, rather than by the chair of the board of county commissioners on behalf of the county manager.

This section became effective August 1, 2016.

H842 - Medicaid Waiver Protections/Military Families. (SL 2016-71)

Effective January 1, 2017, S.L. 2016-71 directs the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to ensure that the eligibility criteria for Medicaid home and community-based waivers allow a dependent of a member of the Armed Forces to maintain the dependent's waiver status upon transfer of the service member to an assignment outside of North Carolina, so long as the member maintains North Carolina as the legal residence to which the member intends to return upon completion of military service.

Effective June 30, 2016, DHHS must submit any Medicaid State Plan Amendments or waiver amendments necessary to accomplish the requirements of this act.

H1030 - 2016 Appropriations Act.

Sec. 7.7: Apprenticeships and Career-Based Opportunities in Cybersecurity for Disabled Veterans. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 7.7 of S.L. 2016-94, as amended by Sec. 3.1 of S.L. 2016-123, requires the Department of Information Technology to create a cybersecurity apprenticeship program to provide training, apprenticeships, and career-based opportunities for disabled veterans who have at least a 10% disability rating as established by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. The State Chief Information Officer must conduct a competitive process to select up to five disabled veterans to participate in the apprenticeship program using funds allocated by the 2016 Appropriations Act, however the Department is permitted to use funds generated from receipts for continuation or expansion of the program beyond the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

H1030 - 2016 Appropriations Act.

Sec. 20.2: Study Creation of North Military Hall of Fame.. (SL 2016-94)

Sec. 20.2 of S.L. 2016-94 directs the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs to study the feasibility of creating a North Carolina Military Hall of Fame, and to report its findings to the chairs of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government by November 1, 2016.

This section became effective July 1, 2016.

S105 - Report Number of Veterans Filing Tax Returns. (SL 2016-112)

S.L. 2016-112 requires the Secretary of Revenue to provide a space on the individual income tax form D-400 for the voluntary disclosure of veteran status by persons filing State income tax returns, to use the information so disclosed to compile aggregate summary information on the number of veterans filing tax returns in North Carolina annually, and to provide this information to the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

This act became effective July 26, 2016

S160 - Official State Veterans Day Parade. (SL 2016-33)

S.L. 2016-33 amends State law to provide that the Veterans Day Parade held in the Town of Warsaw is the official Veterans Day Parade of the State.

This act became effective June 24, 2016.