

## **NCPLA Updates and Events**

## 1998 - 2018 Celebrating 20 Years!

#### Young Lobbyist Backyard Bash

Wednesday, May 30, 2018 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Mordecai Historic Park 1 Mimosa Street, Raleigh, NC 27604



#### 2017- 2018 NCPLA Officers

Feel free to reach out with any questions

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#### State Board of Elections and Ethics (NCSBE) Transition

The passage of S.L. 2016-125 and subsequent passage of S.L. 2018-2 which became law on March 16, created a new ninemember Bipartisan State Board of Elections and Ethics Enforcement Board. The new State Board oversees the elections process, as well as campaign finance, ethics and lobbying disclosure and compliance in North Carolina.

The transition will include the transfer of the lobbying registration and enforcement functions (Chapter 120C) from the Secretary of State to the new Board. NCPLA has been meeting with both the Secretary of State's office and the State Board of Elections and Ethics Enforcement to work toward a smooth transition.



### **NCPLA Training Event**

Monday, June 4, 2018 10am – Noon

NC SBE Conference Room 430 N. Salisbury Street 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor (entry off Halifax Mall) Raleigh, NC 27603

NCPLA was founded in 1998 to instill core values of integrity, honesty, and professionalism among the lobbyist community and pass along those values to the next generation of lobbyists. NCPLA Members agree to abide by the <a href="NCPLA Code of Conduct">NCPLA Code of Conduct</a>

#### **NCGA Building Security**

Legislative building security is now installed and will be a new normal for the short session. Over the course of the last year, NCPLA has been proactive about meeting with the Legislative Services Office (LSO) and others to discuss the effects of building security on NCPLA members performing their daily job functions. In researching best practices in other states, many offer an expedited entry option for government relations professionals and other frequent visitors. This has been a primary focus for NCPLA.

The security team at the NCGA has visited and researched many other state practices, but currently the only individuals with security badges will be legislators and staff working inside the General Assembly. NCPLA is continuing to meet with the LSO and other key decision-makers to provide feedback and continue to explore options for a more streamlined process for those that frequent the legislative building on a regular basis. While security is planned for the LOB in the future, the LSO does not have a timeline for installation in the LOB.

In the meantime, allow additional time for security not just in the morning but in between buildings. We recognize the adjustments and challenges this presents in performing our jobs in the way in which we are accustomed but ask for your patience and feedback.

#### **NCGA Security FAQs**

#### What is scanned by the X-ray machine?

Scans will be conducted on purses, briefcases, backpacks, strollers, small parcels, etc. The X-ray machines will detect weapons, explosives, and other contraband.

#### What items are prohibited?

- Aerosol containers
- Electric stun guns, martial arts weapons or devices
- Knives of any size
- Guns, replica guns, ammunition and fireworks
- Any weapon facsimile
- Razors and box cutters
- Pets or animals (service animals are permitted)
- Batons and nightsticks
- Any other items or device that can be considered a dangerous weapon

#### Will LB entries changes?

- Access will be restricted to the main front and back entrances of the building.
- Each entrance will have two points of entry –
  one with a turnstile for legislators and staff to
  enter with badges and the other with a metal
  detector for screening.
- The cafeteria & snack bar will remain accessible once inside the legislative building but no longer through the parking garage.





without a FAC

(Security Screening entry)

with a FAC

(Turnstile entry)



### Download the 2018 NCPLA App!

NCPLA recently launched a new app for its members. Ensure you have access to all the features included in the app to make this your one-stop-shop before the short session begins.

#### **NCPLA App features:**

- 2018 NCPLA Membership Directory
- NC House Representatives and contact information
- NC Senators and contact information
- Link to the NCGA website
- Link to the NCGA Committees
- Link to the NCGA Dashboard
- Lobbying compliance website
- NC Government Employee Directory
- NCPLA Event Calendar
- Take notes, direct message follow the NCPLA Twitter account

#### Directions for download in the AppStore or Google Play Store:

- 1. Search for the "Attendify" app and Download:
- 2. Once downloaded, enter the App and search for "NCPLA"
- 3. Create a profile using your email address used for NCPLA membership purposes
- 4. The App appears on your home screen as Attendify. Once you click on the app, you will see the NCPLA App screen to enter.

# Donate Life Giving Event: June 4 – June 8, 2018 Give the gift of life!

Sign up to be an organ donor, donate \$5 a day and wear tennis shoes to raise awareness

#### Donate Life NC "Kicks for a Cause"

NCPLA is excited to again partner with Donate Life NC for our 2018 charitable fundraiser in honor of the many NCPLA and General Assembly members who have been given a second chance at life thanks to organ donation.

During the week of June 4-8, NCPLA pledges to raise money and awareness while signing new donors. Like last year, NCPLA will ask that you contribute \$5 for each day of the week to wear your tennis shoes and support a worthy cause. During our inaugural event in 2017, we were able to raise over \$4,000 so the race is on for 2018!



**DONATE NOW HERE!**