NORTH CAROLINA RIFLE AND PISTOL ASSOCIATION SUCCESSFULLY SUPPORTS PRO-SECOND AMENDMENT LEGISLATION

The North Carolina Rifle & Pistol Association Board writes to extend our congratulations and hearty kudos to the volunteers and lobbyists who worked hard to support the passage of pro-Second Amendment legislation.

H.B. 652, the Second Amendment Protection Act, will allow a person who has a concealed carry handgun permit to carry a handgun onto property where both a place of worship and a school are located. The handgun can be possessed and carried to the place of worship as long as the school is not in session or extracurricular activities are taking place, and the facility is not properly and legally posted against concealed carry pursuant to Article 54B specifications. This legislation will allow citizens the ability to protect themselves and their families while attending religious services.

In addition, this bill allows more flexibility for a sheriff to waive renewal requirements in the case of concealed handgun permit lapses. H.B. 652 will allow concealed carry for employees of law enforcement facilities who not sworn law enforcement officers. The bill also allows for concealed carry for emergency medical services personnel who meet specific requirements.

Many thanks also to our members who sent letters to their representatives urging them to support H.B. 652. The bill will be sent to the Governor for his signature. Please contact Governor Roy Cooper at https://governor.nc.gov/contact/contact-governor-cooper and ask him to please sign H.B. 652, legislation will provide better safety and security for law-abiding citizens.

Thank you NCRPA members for protecting our Second Amendment and right to defend.