



2026 Short Session- N.C. General Assembly Social Services Legislative Priority Proposals

1. Adult Services

1. Provide adequate funding for Guardianship and Adult Protective Services. To fund appropriations for Adult Protective Services essential funds for DSS agencies to use on all level of services for individuals served by the County. -29
2. Mandating workload study for Guardianship and Adult Protective Services. - 18
3. For DHHS to take over the role of investigations of Adult Care Facilities. -23

2. Children's Services

1. To fully fund the child welfare workload recommendations study through state funds.
2. To consider a legislative ask where parents being held accountable for bringing children to the care of DSS only due to parents not wanting to parent their children due to behavioral health issues, DJJ, IDD, etc.

3. Income Maintenance

1. NC FAST technology enhancements to include timely updates of policy, possible AI inclusion and to ensure automation of areas in programs that can assist our workforce. 21 votes
2. Maintaining SNAP in NC. 21 votes
3. State to pay for 25% administrative increase in FNS.