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### UPDATE

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#### WORK ON TAX PACKAGE CONTINUES

Legislators continue to work on developing a tax package after Governor Perdue objected to the agreement that was previously reached by House and Senate Democrats. Once a deal has been reached, legislators will be one step closer to approving a \$19 billion budget. Since July 1, the General Assembly has been operating under a continuing resolution. The continuing resolution is the second one to be adopted since July 1 and allows government spending and taxes to continue at 84% of last year's levels until July 30, 2009. Watch for a budget update in the next edition of the *Governmental Affairs Update*.

#### NCBA LEGISLATIVE AGENDA UPDATE

Several more NCBA section sponsored legislative proposals have been signed by the Governor, becoming session laws. Please click on the links below to view the text of those bills.

[Senate Bill 412, Modify NC Limited Liability Company Act](#)

[Senate Bill 483, Clarify Judicial Creation of Trust](#)

[Senate Bill 605, Asset of Ward's Estate](#)

[Senate Bill 481, Trustee's Power to Appoint to Other Trust](#)

[Senate Bill 482, Clarifications to Trust Code](#)

[House Bill 799, Unequal Shares/Joint Tenancy Survivorship](#)

For a complete look at the agenda and the status of all NCBA proposals, please [click here](#).

#### DEVELOPING ISSUES IN THE NCGA

##### [Alienation of Affection Legislation Approved](#)

The House gave final approval yesterday to legislation that creates a three-year time limit on lawsuits alleging alienation of affection. The bill now goes to Governor Perdue for her signature. [Click here](#) to view the full text of the bill.

##### ABA

The ABA *Washington Letter*, provided by the ABA Office of Governmental Affairs, provides up-to-date information to the legal profession on federal legislative issues. Please click the link below to access the latest edition.

[July 2009 Washington Letter](#)

##### GAVEL TO GAVEL

Provided by the National Center for State Courts, Gavel to Gavel is a national overview of trends in legislative activity as it relates to the courts. Please click the link below to access the latest edition.

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##### INSIDE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Please [click here](#) for a link to the House and Senate calendars, which are updated daily with committee meeting notices and agendas.