

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2021**

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**HOUSE BILL 318**

Short Title:   Extend Cooling Off Period for Legislators. (Public)

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Sponsors:   Representatives Everitt, Hunt, Hurtado, and Farkas (Primary Sponsors).  
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Referred to:   Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

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March 17, 2021

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO EXTEND THE COOLING OFF PERIOD FOR LEGISLATORS TO BECOME  
LOBBYISTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 120C-304(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) No legislator or former legislator may register as a lobbyist under this Article:

(1) While in office.

(2) Before ~~the later of the close of session as set forth in G.S. 120C-100(a)(7)b.1~~  
~~in which the legislator served or six months~~ four years after leaving office."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to legislators  
serving in the 2021 General Assembly and subsequent General Assemblies.



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