



NC TRAVEL NEWS

A weekly newsletter on North Carolina General Assembly news relevant to the North Carolina tourism industry

NCTIA Conference November 16-17

NCTIA welcomes attendees to the [NCTIA Tourism Leadership Conference](#) on November 16-17 in Charlotte.

The two-day gathering kicks off Wednesday afternoon with NCTIA, DMANC, and Tourism Education Foundation Board Meetings. Later in the afternoon there will be a Welcome Reception sponsored by MediaOne.digital.

"We have a great conference planned and look forward to showcasing some informative, engaging, and entertaining sessions for our attendees," said NCTIA Executive Director Vince Chelena.

Election Analysis from NCTIA Lobbyists



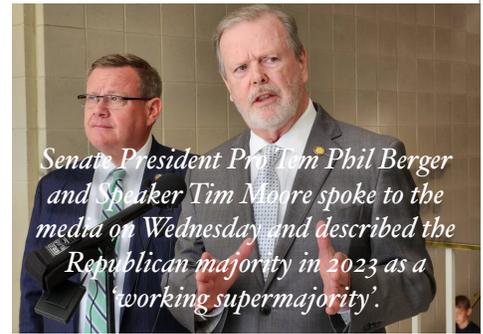
[Sen. Kirk deViere](#) joins NCTIA lobbyists Skye David and Brian Lewis for this special edition of the [Do Politics Better](#) podcast to unpack North Carolina's mid-term elections, analyze the General Assembly's 'working supermajority', and discuss the future of political moderates.

[Do Politics Better](#) is a weekly podcast sponsored by NCTIA.

NCTIA's Election Day Wrap Up

Election Day concluded on Tuesday and while a "red wave" never crested for Republicans nationally – the GOP had a reddening Tuesday night in North Carolina.

Republicans in the NC Senate grew their current 28-22 majority to 30-20, which gives the GOP in the upper chamber a veto-proof majority. In other words, any bill Governor Roy Cooper vetoes in 2023 can be overridden in the NC Senate so long as Republicans vote as a block.



In the NC House, Republicans fell one vote short of achieving a supermajority and will need to rely on at least one Democrat to help override Governor Cooper's objections to legislation in the lower chamber. The NC House, which currently has a 68-52 Republican-Democrat split, will be at 71-49 in 2023.

NCTIA Executive Director Vince Chelena said this is a good scenario for the tourism industry heading into the 2023 session. "Republicans will work with a handful of Democrats to craft a bipartisan budget in the next session and that will be good for the state and our industry," Chelena said. "However, falling short of a supermajority in the House means we are less likely to see legislation on divisive social issues that has damaged tourism in the past."

Chelena is referring to the infamous "bathroom bill", also called "HB2" (named after the bill number), enacted in 2016, the last year the General Assembly had supermajorities.



NCTIA will have more analysis of Election Day and its effect on the tourism industry at the [NCTIA Tourism Leadership Conference](#) on November 16-17 in Charlotte. A [Legislative Session](#) is from 1-2:30pm on Thursday and features [Sen. Todd Johnson \(R-Union\)](#) (photo), and NCTIA lobbyists Skye David and Brian Lewis.

For detailed analysis of the 2022 mid-term elections in North Carolina, including the race for U.S. Senate, Congress, the Courts, and the General Assembly, listen to the [Do Politics Better](#) podcast hosted by NCTIA lobbyists Brian Lewis and Skye David.

The [Do Politics Better](#) podcast is sponsored by NCTIA. See the episode description in the lower side-bar article in this newsletter.