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2000 REGULAR SESSION

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE



May 8, 2000

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE 1999 GENERAL ASSEMBLY (REGULAR SESSION 2000):

Attached for your consideration is the report to the 1999 General Assembly (Regular Session 2000). This report was prepared by the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee pursuant to G.S. 120-70.81.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

The Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee held 10 meetings. The Committee also had four subcommittees: The Student Performance and Accountability Subcommittee held three meetings; the Facilities, Technology and Organizational Subcommittee held three meetings; the Personnel/Teacher Issues Subcommittee held two meetings; and the Safe Schools Subcommittee held one meeting.

Full Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee Meetings

November 8, 1999

CURRENT ISSUES OF CONCERN

Chairman, Phillip J. Kirk, Jr., State Board of Education Superintendent Michael E. Ward, Public Instruction President Martin Lancaster, Community Colleges System

♦ SWANN V. CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG SCHOOLS — UPDATE & HISTORY

Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel Dr. Jay Robinson, former Chair, State Board of Education

OVERVIEW OF 1999 SUBSTANTIVE LEGISLATION AND APPROPRIATIONS

Dr. Shirley Iorio, Committee Education Specialist

November 9, 1999

◆ DISAGGREGATION OF STUDENT SCORES – THE TEXAS EXPERIENCE

Ms. Robin Johnson, Committee Counsel

Dr. Jim Watts, Vice-President for State Services, Southern Regional Education Board

Ms. Linda Mora, Former Associate Commissioner for Accountability & Accreditation, Texas Education Agency

Dr. Jay Robinson, former Chair, State Board of Education

♦ IMPLEMENTATION OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

♦ ANNUAL REPORT ON ABC'S PROGRAM

◆ DEVELOPMENT OF ACCOUNTABILITY MODEL FOR ABC'S PILOT PROGRAM

Ms. Robin Johnson, Committee Counsel

Dr. Henry Johnson, Associate Superintendent, Instruction & Accountability Services, DPI

- Disaggregation of student test scores
 Mr. Lou Fabrizio, Director, Accountability Services, DPI
- ◆ Exit exam Mr. Lou Fabrizio, Director, Accountability Services, DPI
- ◆ Financial Resources
 Mr. Philip Price, Director, School Business Services, DPI
- ◆ Intervention Strategies
 Dr. Elsie Leak, Director, School Improvement Services, DPI
- ◆ Professional Development Dr. Elsie Leak, Director, School Improvement Services, DPI

November 10, 1999

- ◆ CURRENT ISSUES OF CONCERN President Molly Broad, The University of North Carolina
- ♦ SCHOOLS OF EDUCATION PERFORMANCE REPORTS PROPOSED REWARDS & SANCTIONS

Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel Dr. Kathy Sullivan, Director, Human Resource Management, DPI

◆ LATERAL ENTRY FOR TEACHERS – NC TEACH

Dr. Shirley Iorio, Committee Education Specialist Dr. Charles R. Coble, Vice President for University-School Programs, UNC

♦ ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS FOR SUSPENDED OR EXPELLED STUDENTS

Ms. Sara Kamprath, Committee Policy Analyst
Dr. Henry Johnson, Associate Superintendent, Instruction & Accountability
Services, DPI
Dr. Carolyn Cobb, Chief, Evaluation Services, DPI

December 7, 1999

- PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ISSUES
 - ◆ Introduction/Overview Dr. Shirley Iorio, Committee Education Specialist
 - ◆ Funding for Staff Development/Public Schools (State, Local, Federal)
 Mr. Philip Price, Director, School Business Services, DPI
 - Professional Development at the State Level
 Instructional Strategies/Interventions
 Dr. Elsie Leak, Director, School Improvement Services, DPI

♦ Professional Development at the Local Level

- ♦ Johnston County Schools
 - Dr. Patricia Harris, Principal, Smithfield Middle School
 - Ms. Susan Holloman, Teacher, Smithfield Middle School
 - Dr. Jim Causby, Superintendent
 - Linda A. Teal, Principal, Comfort Elementary School
 - Kristin Sumner, Teacher, Comfort Elementary School
 - Peggy Green, Teacher, Comfort Elementary School
 - Dr. Norma H. Sermon-Boyd, Superintendent
- ♦ Transylvania County Schools
 - Dr. Kathy Haehnel, Principal, Pisgah Forest Elementary School
 - Ms. Allison Keever, Teacher, Pisgah Forest Elementary School
- ♦ Wake County Schools
 - John W. Modest, Jr., Principal, Southeast Raleigh High School Center for
 - Accelerated Studies for Math, Science & Technology
 - Kristin Mewborne, Ass't. Principal, Southeast Raleigh High School
 - Teresa Armstrong, Teacher, Southeast Raleigh High School
 - Bill McNeal, Associate Superintendent, Instructional Services
- ◆ Center for School Leadership Development
 - Dr. Shirley Iorio, Committee Education Specialist
 - Dr. Charles R. Coble, Vice President for University-School Programs, UNC
 - Dr. Sam Houston, Executive Director, Center for School Leadership Development, UNC

December 8, 1999

◆ FINANCIAL RESOURCES NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT STUDENT PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

- Ms. Robin Johnson, Committee Counsel
- Mr. Philip Price, Director, School Business Services, DPI

◆ ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS FOR SUSPENDED AND EXPELLED STUDENTS

- Ms. Sara Kamprath, Committee Policy Analyst
- Dr. Carolyn Cobb, Chief, Evaluation Services, DPI

◆ APA/RULEMAKING PROCEDURES

- * Introduction
 - Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel
- ♦ Overview of Current Process
 - Ms. Karen-Cochrane Brown, Staff Attorney, NCGA Research Division
 - Ms. Mary Shuping, Research Assistant, NCGA Research Division
- State Board of Education
 - Mr. Brad Sneeden, Deputy Superintendent, DPI
 - Mr. Harry Wilson, Legal Assistant, State Board of Education

February 21, 2000

◆ ENROLLMENT PLANNING FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Ms. Sara Kamprath, Committee Policy Analyst

Dr. Judith Pulley, Vice President for Planning, UNC-GA

Dr. Brenda Rogers, Vice President for Administration, NCCCS

Dr. A. Hope Williams, President, NC Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

◆ RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF CERTIFIED TEACHERS IN ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Dr. Shirley Iorio, Education Committee Specialist

Dr. Fran Hoch, Section Chief, Second Languages/ESL/Information and Computer Skills, DPI

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Dr. Marion H. Love, Director, Office for International Education, and Coordinator, ESL Teacher Licensure, Lenoir-Rhyne College

Mr. Alan Young, Executive Director, Visiting International Faculty Program

February 22, 2000

◆ ANNUAL REPORT FROM NC PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS COMMISSION

Dr. Shirley Iorio, Education Committee Specialist

Mr. Tom Blanford, Executive Director

◆ Committee recessed in order to attend Secretary Riley's 2000 State of American Education Address at Southern High School in Durham.

February 23, 2000

◆ THE EXCELLENT SCHOOLS ACT — AN UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION

♦ General Overview

Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel

♦ State Expenditures for Implementation

Mr. Jim Newlin, Fiscal Analyst, NCGA Fiscal Research Division Mr. Philip Price, Fiscal Analyst, NCGA Fiscal Research Division

- ◆ Performance Based Licensure for Continuing Certification
 - Introduction
 Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel

- Comments on the Previous and the Current Model
 Dr. Pat Schreiber, Dir. Staff Development, Winston-Salem/Forsyth Schools
 Ms. Amy Van Oostrom, Former Executive Director, PENC
 Ms. Angela Farthing, Manager for NCAE Center for Teaching/Learning
 Mr. John Wilson, Executive Director, NCAE
- Implementation of Current Model
 - Current model and State role
 Dr. Kathy Sullivan, Director, Human Resource Management, DPI
 - Principal's perspective on implementation
 Mr. Eddie Ingram, Consultant, Teacher Education Section, DPI
 - Mentor teacher's perspective on implementation
 Ms. Vickie Collins, Teacher-in-Residence, DPI
 - Initially licensed teacher's perspective on implementation Ms. Tina Brown Moore
- Revised Evaluation Instruments for Professional School Personnel Dr. Kathy Sullivan, Director, Human Resource Management, DPI
- Local Assessment Teams/Action Plans
 - Review of legislation
 Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel
 - State support/training
 Mr. Gordon Millspaugh, Assistant Director, Division of Human
 - Resource Management, DPI
 Dr. Elsie Leak, Director, School Improvement, DPI
- ◆ Certification Renewal
 - Review of new standards and guidelines/Implementation schedule Mr.Tom Blanford, Executive Director, NC Professional Teaching Standards Commission
- Revised Masters of Education Programs
 - Review of new standards, program revisions
 Mr.Tom Blanford, Executive Director, NC Professional Teaching
 Standards Commission
 - Status of approval of new programs
 Dr. Kathy Sullivan, Director, Human Resource Management, DPI
- Advanced Competencies
 - Review of legislation
 Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel
 - Review of Commission's work and recommendations to SBE Mr.Tom Blanford, Executive Director, NC Professional Teaching Standards Commission
- Has the ESA had an effect on teacher attrition and/or teacher turnover?

Dr. Kathy Sullivan, Director, Human Resource Management, DPI

FACULTY SALARIES

Ms. Sara Kamprath, Committee Policy Analyst President Molly Broad, The University of North Carolina

March 14, 2000

◆ THE EXCELLENT SCHOOLS ACT - FOLLOW-UP TO FEBRUARY MEETING

♦ Performance Based Licensure and Evaluation Process

Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel

- ♦ Teacher Education Issues
 - Introduction
 - Dr. Shirley Iorio, Education Policy Specialist
 - ♦ Authorizing Legislation

Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel

- Alignment of School of Education program approval process with State and National standards; Re-examination and modification of PRAXIS II cut scores
 - Dr. Kathy Sullivan, Director, Human Resource Management, DPI
- ♦ Second Major Requirement/Content preparation; Field preparation for students; PRAXIS II Preparation

Dr. Charles Coble, V.P. for University-School Programs, UNC-GA

Masters of Education Programs

- ♦ Authorizing legislation
 - Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel
- Review of new standards, program revisions
 - Mr. Tom Blanford, Executive Director, NC Professional Teaching Standards Commission
- ◆ Status of approval of new programs
 Dr. Kathy Sullivan, Director, Human Resource Management, DPI

* Advanced Competencies

- ♦ Authorizing Legislation
 - Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel
- Review of Commission's work and recommendations to SBE
 Mr. Tom Blanford, Executive Director, NC Professional Teaching Standards
 Commission

♦ PANEL DISCUSSION FEATURING DEANS FROM SELECTED SCHOOLS OF EDUCATION: WHAT ARE NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOLS OF EDUCATION DOING WELL AND WHAT NEEDS IMPROVEMENT?

- Dr. Rebecca Blomgren, Greensboro College
- Dr. Mary Lynne Calhoun, UNC at Charlotte
- Dr. Charles Duke, Appalachian State University
- Dr. Madeleine Grumet, UNC at Chapel Hill

Dr. Sammie Campbell Parrish, North Carolina Central University

Dr. Henry Peel, East Carolina University School of Education

March 15, 2000

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION IN NORTH CAROLINA

♦ Overview

Ms. Robin Johnson, Committee Counsel

A Review of Funds for Early Childhood Education

Mr. Jim Newlin, Fiscal Analyst, NCGA Fiscal Research Division

What Does the Research Say?

Dr. Richard Clifford, Program Director, Frank Porter Graham Child Development Center

Smart Start Initiatives

Ms. Karen Ponder, Executive Director, NC Partnership for Children

◆ Public School Initiatives: Bright Beginnings

Ms. Barbara Pellin, Assistant Superintendent for Community/Students, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools

◆ School Readiness Task Force

Ms. Judy White, Director of Education Reform, DPI

◆ COMMUNITY COLLEGE IMPLEMENTATION OF PERFORMANCE BUDGETING

♦ Authorizing Legislation

Ms. Sara Kamprath, Education Policy Analyst

◆ State Board of Community Colleges Report

Mr. Kennon Briggs, Vice President for Business and Finance, NC Community College System

Mr. Keith Brown, Associate Vice President for Planning and Research, NC Community College System

NEW & EXPANDING INDUSTRIES

♦ Authorizing Legislation

Sara Kamprath, Education Policy Analyst

State Board of Community Colleges Report

Scott Ralls, Vice President for Economic and Workforce Development

April 11, 2000

♦ COOPERATIVE HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

Ms. Mona Moon, Fiscal Analyst, NCGA Fiscal Research Division

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Ms. Elizabeth Isler, Director, Program Services, Community College System

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- Mr. Ricky Lopes, Assistant Superintendent, Cumberland County Schools
- Dr. David Ricketts, Superintendent, McDowell County Schools
- Dr. Norma Sermon-Boyd, Superintendent, Jones County Schools

EVALUATION OF MENTOR TEACHER PROGRAM

- Dr. Shirley Iorio, Education Committee Specialist
- Dr. Kathy Sullivan, Director, Human Resource Management, DPI

◆ ABC'S PILOT/STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

- Ms. Sara Kamprath, Education Policy Analyst
- Mr. Lou Fabrizio, Director, Accountability Section, DPI
- Dr. Byron Lawson, Superintendent, Bladen County Schools

April 12, 2000

- ◆ FUNDS FOR CAMPUS ASSESSMENTS; ENROLLMENT PLANNING; IMPROVED FACULTY INSTRUCTION; FACILITIES MANAGEMENT SUPPORT
 - Review of Authorizing Legislation
 Ms. Sara Kamprath, Education Policy Analyst
 - Report by UNC General Administration
 - Dr. Judith Pulley, VP for Planning
 - Mr. Kevin McNaughton, VP for Finance and University Property Officer

SCHOOLS OF EDUCATION REPORT CARDS

- ◆ Review of Authorizing Legislation
 - Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel
- Report by the State Board of Education
 Dr. Kathy Sullivan, Director, Human Resources Management, DPI
- **♦ COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

STUDENT PERFORMANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

December 6, 1999

COOPERATIVE HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Ms. Mona Moon, Fiscal Analyst, NCGA Fiscal Research Division
Dr. June Atkinson, Director, Instructional Services, DPI
Ms. Elizabeth Johns, Director, Program Services, Community College System

COMMUNITY SERVICE IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Dr. June Atkinson, Director, Instructional Services, DPI Chapel Hill High School

Mr. Doug Glasgow, Career Development Coordinator
Ms. Mary Willingham, Service Learning Specialist
Kristen Lee, Student
Lindsay Warner, Student
Cat Doherty, Student
Taylor Ansley, Student
Jessica Dupuis, Student
Briana Webster, Student
Jeff Jackson, Student

STUDENT PORTFOLIOS

Dr. June Atkinson, Director, Instructional Services, DPI

February 22, 2000

◆ AN UPDATE ON CHARTER SCHOOLS IN NORTH CAROLINA

Mr. Hank Hurd, Associate Superintendent, Financial & Business Services, DPI Mr. Grova Bridgers, Director, Office of Charter Schools, DPI

REPORT ON IMPACT OF CHARTER SCHOOLS ON LEAS

Mr. Paul LeSieur, Assistant Director, School Business, DPI

Mr. Hank Hurd, Associate Superintendent, Financial & Business Services, DPI

Dr. Grova Bridgers, Director, Office of Charter Schools, DPI

Ms. Kendra Dockery, Assistant Legal Counsel, NC School Boards Association

PUBLIC POLICY AND CHARTER SCHOOLS

Mr. John N. Dornan, Executive Director/President, Public School Forum of NC

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STUDENT ACCOUNTABILITY STANDARDS

Ms. Robin Johnson, Committee Counsel

Dr. Henry Johnson, Associate Superintendent, Instructional & Accountability Services, DPI

Dr. Larry Price, Superintendent, Wilson County Schools

◆ SCHOOL SIZE AND STUDENT BEHAVIOR AND PERFORMANCE

Ms. Robin Johnson, Committee Counsel

Dr. Carolyn Cobb, Chief, Evaluation Services, DPI

◆ ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM/REVIEW

Dr. Shirley Iorio, Education Committee Specialist

Dr. Randy Whitfield, Director, Basic Skills Section, Community College System

FACILITIES, TECHNOLOGY, AND ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

December 6, 1999

SCHOOL CALENDAR ISSUES

♦ Overview of School Calendar Legislation

Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel

Building a School Calendar

Ms. Linda Suggs, Director of Professional Development, North Carolina Association of School Administrators

- Views from the Field
 - Pitt County Schools
 Ms. Brenda Jones, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources
 - Watauga County Schools
 Mr. Don Lucas, Elementary Supervisor
- Public Comment

♦ HIGHER EDUCATION ENROLLMENT PLANNING ISSUES WITH A FOCUS ON DISTANCE LEARNING

♦ Introduction

Ms. Sara Kamprath, Committee Policy Analyst

- ◆ UNC Enrollment Planning Model and Distance Learning Efforts Dr. Judith Pulley, Vice President for Planning
- ♦ Community Colleges Enrollment Planning Model and Distance Learning Efforts

Dr. Brenda Rogers, Vice President for Administration

- ◆ Connect to Fayetteville Technical Community College to Hear about the Virtual Learning Community and Online Instruction Dr. Larry Norris, President
- ◆ Connect to East Carolina University to Hear About Multiple Ways to Deliver Off-Campus Courses and Programs

Chancellor Richard Eakin

 Connect to Wilkes Community College to Hear About a Collaborative Effort among Wilkes Community College, Appalachian State University and the N.C. School of Science and Math to Provide Courses to the Alleghany Public Schools

Ms. Jeanne Griffin, Division Chair of Business and Public Service Technologies, Wilkes Community College

Mr. George Matuck, Alleghany Cyber Campus

Mr. Tom Fisher, Extension Director, Appalachian State University

 Connect to UNC-Wilmington to Hear About a Collaborative Effort among Coastal Carolina Community College, UNC-Wilmington and Onslow Public Schools to Prepare Teachers

Chancellor James Leutze, UNC-Wilmington

Dr. Ron Lingle, President of Coastal Carolina Community College

◆ Latin Class at Kings Mountain High School via Distance Learning Ms. Gay Henderson, Media Specialist

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• CREDIT CARD SOLICITATION ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES

♦ Background

Ms. Sara Kamprath, Committee Policy Analyst

♦ 1999 Proposed Legislation

Rep. Charlotte Gardner

◆ Comments from Higher Education and Credit Card Industry

Ms. Pamarah Gerace, Director, N.C. State University Student Legal Services Ms. Julie Rice Mallette, Director, N.C. State University Office of Financial Aid Mr. Paul Stock, N.C. Bankers Association

DWI - AUTO SALES PROCEEDS

♦ Background

Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel Mr. Al Andrews, Staff Attorney, NCGA Research Division

♦ DWI Vehicle Seizures Report

Mr. Derek Graham, Section Chief, Transportation Services, DPI

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PREPAID COLLEGE TUITION PROGRAMS

Review of Authorizing Legislation

Ms. Sara Kamprath, Education Policy Analyst

♦ Board of Governors Report on Prepaid Tuition Programs

Dr. Gary Barnes, V.P. for Program Assessment & Public Service, UNC Mr. Bob Havely, Advisor, College Vision Fund Program

◆ CREDIT CARD SOLICITATION ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES - REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF DRAFT LEGISLATION

♦ Introduction

Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel

♦ Review and Discussion of Draft Legislation

♦ QUALIFIED ZONE ACADEMY BONDS (QZAB)

- Review of Federal Legislation
 Ms. Martha Harris, Staff Attorney, NCGA Bill Drafting Division
- ◆ State Board of Education Request for Authorizing Legislation Dr. Ben Matthews, Director, School Support, DPI
- ◆ Subcommittee Consideration of State Board Proposal

TEXTBOOK DISTRIBUTION AND PRIVATIZATION

- ♦ Staff Introduction
 - Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel
- ◆ 1997 Performance Audit of Textbook Distribution System
 - Mr. Jimmy Benson, Deputy State Auditor
 - Mr. Lawen Becote, Audit Supervisor
- ◆ 1997 State Budget Office Review of Textbook Distribution Alternatives
 - Mr. Tom Newsome, Director, Management Section, Office of State Budget and Management
- ◆ State Board of Education Responses to Auditor's Report Dr. Ben Matthews, Director, School Support, DPI
- ◆ Privatization Alternatives
 - Mr. John Bode, Attorney

PERSONNEL/TEACHER ISSUES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

January 24, 2000

◆ OVERVIEW

Dr. Shirley Iorio, Committee Education Specialist

◆ PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Dr. Sam Houston, Executive Director, The Center for School Leadership Development, UNC General Administration,
- Ms. Julia Kron, Director, Teacher Academy
- Dr. Ken Jenkins, Executive Director, Principals' Executive Program
- Dr. Gerry Madrazo, Executive Director, Mathematics and Science Network
- Dr. Pam Riley, Director, Center for the Prevention of School Violence
- Dr. Mary Jo Utley, Director, North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching

COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACULTY SALARIES

♦ Overview

Ms. Kory Goldsmith, Committee Counsel

Regional and National Comparisons

Ms. Mona Moon, Fiscal Analyst, NCGA Fiscal Research Division

♦ Status Report/Preliminary Findings on Study

Mr. Kennon Briggs, Vice President for Business and Finance, NCCCS

Dr. Steve Scott, Executive Vice President, NCCCS

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CENTRAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR SALARIES

- Current Salary System
 - History
 - Funding Formula
 - Funds Allotted to Local School Systems
 Mr. Philip Price, Fiscal Analyst, NCGA Fiscal Research Division
- Analysis of Current Salaries
 - % paid by State, Federal, and Local dollars
 - ◆ Total salary plus other compensation Mr. Hank Hurd, Associate Superintendent, Financial & Business Svcs, DPI
- Comparative Analysis
 - ♦ Principals within the same school system
 - ♦ Teachers within the same school system
 - ♦ NC central office personnel
 - Comparable salaries in other states
 - Comparable salaries in the private sector
 Mr. David Howell, Chief, Salary Administration, DPI

TEACHER ASSISTANT SALARIES

- ◆ Job Description and Qualifications for Teacher Assistants
 Mr. Gordon Millspaugh, Assistant Director, Human Resource Management, DPI
- ♦ Salary Levels for Noncertified Personnel
 - History
 - ♦ How established
 - ◆ Current Vacancy levels for Teacher Assistants
 - Review of Previous Teacher Assistant Salary Studies
 Mr. Paul LeSieur, Assistant Director, School Business, DPI
 Ms. Mandy Mew, Chief, School Finance, DPI
- ◆ Impact of a Teacher Assistant Salary Schedule Mr. Philip Price, Fiscal Analyst, NCGA Fiscal Research Division

SAFE SCHOOLS SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

March 13, 2000

♦ OVERVIEW

Ms. Sara Kamprath, Education Policy Analyst

◆ REVIEW OF G.S. 115C-391 — LAW GOVERNING STUDENT DISCIPLINE, SUSPENSION & EXPULSION

Ms. Allison Schafer, Attorney, NC Schools Board Association

♦ MENTAL HEALTH & COUNSELING PROGRAMS

Mr. Mark Hamilton, School Counselor, Chapel Hill High School Ms. Jan Ramsey and Ms. Linda Hodge, School Counselors, East McDowell Jr. HS Mr. Mark O'Donnell, Child and Family Services, DHHS

REVIEW OF JUVENILE JUSTICE PROCESS

Mr. Larry Dix, Legislative Liaison, Office of Juvenile Justice

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- **1.** Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (See Legislative Proposal 1): Based on the recommendation of the Facilities, Technology and Organization Issues Subcommittee, recommend legislation authorizing the State to administer the selection and monitoring provisions of federal legislation (26 U.C.S. 1397E) that allows counties to issue Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZABs) on behalf of eligible public schools. The State program would include:
 - Determining which public schools are eligible for QZABs.
 - ◆ Soliciting applications, setting priorities, and awarding allocations of QZABs annually.
 - Monitoring and determining eligibility of projects, the amount of federal tax credits available to financial institutions that purchase the bonds, and the terms of the bonds.

The Department of Public Instruction and other appropriate State agencies would administer the program. Use of QZAB funds would be limited to: rehabilitation or repairing the academy's school facility, including but not limited to wiring and other infrastructure improvements related to providing technology. The Department may consider limiting the program to certain designations of school systems, such as Low-Wealth or Small School systems.

- 2. IHE Performance Reports (See Legislative Proposal 2): Recommend legislation requiring the State Board of Education to report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on an annual basis beginning December 15, 2000, or to coincide with the federal reporting date once it is adopted.
- 3. High School Programs (See Legislative Proposal 2): Recommend legislation directing the Education Cabinet to study public school, community college, and university programs offered to high school students. These programs would include the cooperative high school program, the adult high school diploma program, advanced placement courses, honors courses, and university courses offered to high school students. The legislation would emphasize the General Assembly's goals of student accountability, program accountability, access, and efficiency. It would direct the Cabinet to examine these programs for overlap, consider which education entity is the most appropriate one to offer each program, consider distance learning options, and examine whether there should be tuition waivers.

In connection with the adult high school program (which is an option for students to obtain the equivalent of a high school diploma), the Cabinet must determine whether:

• There should be a minimum age for participation.

◆ Program participants should be required to take and pass end-of-course tests required of high school students taking the same courses.

In connection with the cooperative high school program (which generally provides advanced courses not offered by a local high school), the Cabinet must:

- Evaluate the recent recommendations made to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by the State Board of Education and the State Board of Community Colleges.
- ◆ Determine whether students should receive weighted credit on their high school transcripts for classes taken at community colleges.
- ◆ Determine whether this program is an appropriate venue for developmental courses.

The legislation would require the Cabinet to report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by November 15, 2000.

ARTICLE 12H. Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee.

§ 120-70.80. Creation and membership of Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee.

The Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee is established. The Committee consists of 20 members as follows:

- (1) Ten members of the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, at least two of whom are members of the minority party; and
- (2) Ten members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, at least three of whom are members of the minority party.

Terms on the Committee are for two years and begin on the convening of the General Assembly in each odd-numbered year. Members may complete a term of service on the Committee even if they do not seek reelection or are not reelected to the General Assembly, but resignation or removal from service in the General Assembly constitutes resignation or removal from service on the Committee.

A member continues to serve until his successor is appointed. A vacancy shall be filled within 30 days by the officer who made the original appointment.

§ 120-70.81. Purpose and powers of Committee.

- (a) The Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee shall examine, on a continuing basis, the several educational institutions in North Carolina, in order to make ongoing recommendations to the General Assembly on ways to improve public education from kindergarten through higher education. In this examination, the Committee shall:
 - (1) Study the budgets, programs, and policies of the Department of Public Instruction, the State Board of Education, the Community Colleges System Office, the Board of Governors of The University of North Carolina, and the constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina to determine ways in which the General Assembly may encourage the improvement of all education provided to North Carolinians and may aid in the development of more integrated methods of institutional accountability;
 - (2) Examine, in particular, the Basic Education Plan and the School Improvement and Accountability Act of 1989, to determine whether changes need to be built into the plans, whether implementation schedules need to be restructured, and how to manage the ongoing development of the policies underlying these legislative plans, including a determination of whether there is a need for the legislature to develop ongoing funding patterns for these plans;

- (3) Study other states' educational initiatives in public schools, community colleges, and public universities, in order to provide an ongoing commentary to the General Assembly on these initiatives and to make recommendations for implementing similar initiatives in North Carolina; and
- (4) Study any other educational matters that the Committee considers necessary to fulfill its mandate.
- (b) The Committee may make interim reports to the General Assembly on matters for which it may report to a regular session of the General Assembly. A report to the General Assembly may contain any legislation needed to implement a recommendation of the Committee.

§ 120-70.82. Organization of Committee.

- (a) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each designate a cochair of the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee. The Committee shall meet at least once a quarter and may meet at other times upon the joint call of the cochairs.
- (b) A quorum of the Committee is 10 members. No action may be taken except by a majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present. While in the discharge of its official duties, the Committee has the powers of a joint committee under G.S. 120-19 and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4.
- (c) Members of the Committee receive subsistence and travel expenses as provided in G.S. 120-3.1. The Committee may contract for consultants or hire employees in accordance with G.S. 120-32.02. The Legislative Services Commission, through the Legislative Services Officer, shall assign professional staff to assist the Committee in its work. Upon the direction of the Legislative Services Commission, the Supervisors of Clerks of the Senate and of the House of Representatives shall assign clerical staff to the Committee. The expenses for clerical employees shall be borne by the Committee.

§ 120-70.83. Additional powers.

The Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee, while in discharge of official duties, shall have access to any paper or document, and may compel the attendance of any State official or employee before the Committee or secure any evidence under G.S. 120.19. In addition, G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4 shall apply to the proceedings of the Committee as if it were a joint committee of the General Assembly.



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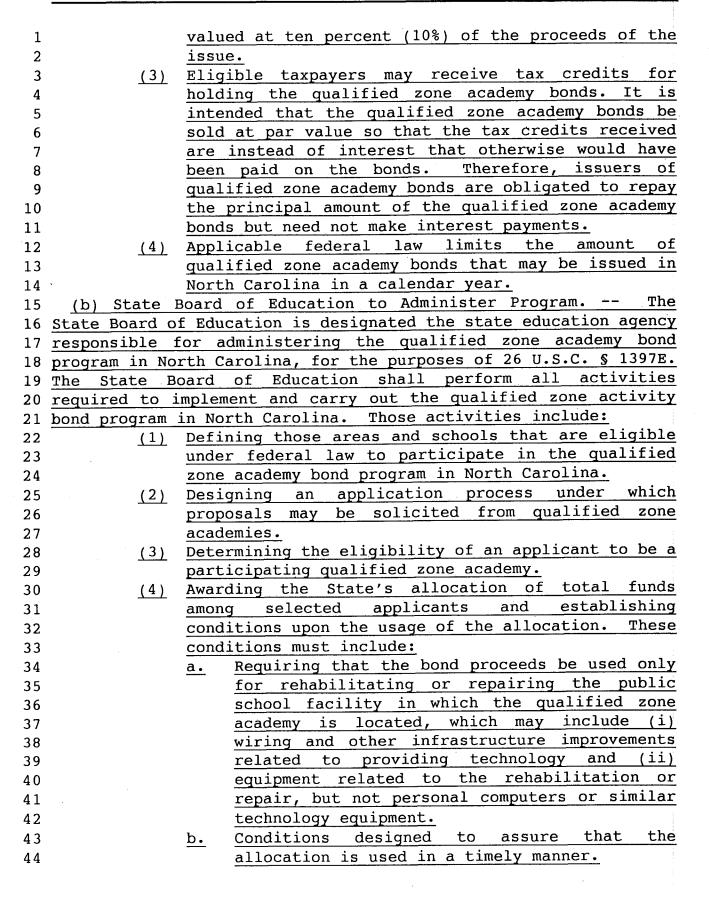
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99-LCX-281B(4.4)(Z) (THIS IS A DRAFT AND IS NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION)

	Short Title: Qualified Zone Academy Bond Act of 2000. (Public)
	Sponsors:
	Referred to:
1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO DESIGNATE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AS THE STATE
3	EDUCATION AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE QUALIFIED
4	ZONE ACADEMY BOND PROGRAM.
5	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
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7	Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:
8	"§ 115C-23. Qualified zone academy bonds.
9	(a) Findings The General Assembly finds:
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12	school improvements through taxable qualified zone
13	academy bonds. Ninety-five percent (95%) or more
14	of the proceeds of a qualified zone academy bond
15	issue must be used for a qualified purpose with
16	respect to a qualified zone academy established by
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19	schools are promoted through the use of qualified
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21	have received written commitments from one or more
22	private entities to make qualified contributions







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- 5 (c) Assistance. -- The Department of Public Instruction shall 6 provide the State Board of Education any support it requires in 7 carrying out this section.
- 8 (d) Consultation. -- In reviewing applications and awarding 9 allocations, the State Board of Education shall consult with the 10 Local Government Commission to determine whether a prospective 11 issuer of qualified zone academy bonds is able to issue or incur 12 marketable obligations.
- (e) Issuance of Bonds. -- Any bonds designated as qualified zone academy bonds may be issued pursuant to the applicable provisions of and in compliance with the Local Government Bond Act, Article 4 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes, or pursuant to the applicable provisions of and in compliance with G.S. 160A-20. As provided in G.S. 159-123(b), bonds designated as qualified zone academy bonds to be issued pursuant to the Local Government Bond Act may be sold by the Local Government Commission at private sale."

Section 2. G.S. 159-123(b) reads as rewritten:

- 23 "(b) The following classes of bonds may be sold at private 24 sale:
 - (1) Bonds that a State or federal agency has previously agreed to purchase.
 - (2) Any bonds for which no legal bid is received within the time allowed for submission of bids.
 - (3) Revenue bonds, including any refunding bonds issued pursuant to G.S. 159-84, and special obligation bonds issued pursuant to Chapter 159I of the General Statutes.
 - (4) Refunding bonds issued pursuant to G.S. 159-78.
 - (5) Refunding bonds issued pursuant to G.S. 159-72 if the Local Government Commission determines that a private sale is in the best interest of the issuing unit.
 - (6) Bonds designated as qualified zone academy bonds pursuant to G.S. 115C-23 if the Local Government Commission determines that a private sale is in the best interest of the issuing unit."
- Section 3. G.S. 150B-1(d) is amended by adding a new 43 subdivision to read:



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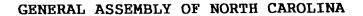
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- 1 "(d) Exemptions from Rule Making. -- Article 2A of this 2 Chapter does not apply to the following:
- 4 (8) The State Board of Education and the Department of Public Instruction, in administering G.S. 115C-23."
- Section 4. Interpretation of Act. (a) Additional method. This act provides an additional and alternative method 8 for the doing of the things it authorizes and is as supplemental 9 and additional to powers conferred by other laws. Except as 10 otherwise expressly provided, it does not derogate any powers now 11 existing.
- Section 4.(b) Statutory references. References in this 13 act to specific sections or Chapters of the General Statutes are 14 intended to be references to those sections or Chapters as they 15 may be amended from time to time by the General Assembly.
- Section 4.(c) Liberal construction. This act, being 17 necessary for the health and welfare of the people of the State, 18 shall be liberally construed to effect its purposes.
- Section 4.(d) Severability. If any provision of this 20 act or its application is held invalid, the invalidity does not 21 affect other provisions or applications of this act that can be 22 given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and 23 to this end the provisions of this act are severable.
- 24 Section 5. This act is effective when it becomes law.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL 2



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Short	Title:	IHE Re	p Card	Changes/Study	HS Progs.	(Public)
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF 3 EDUCATION TO REPORT ANNUALLY ON THE IHE REPORT CARDS AND 4 DIRECT THE EDUCATION CABINET TO STUDY VARIOUS HIGH SCHOOL 5 PROGRAMS. 6

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 7

Section 1. G.S. 115C-296(bl) reads as rewritten:

8 The State Board of Education shall develop a plan to 9 10 provide a focused review of teacher education programs and the 11 current process of accrediting these programs in order to ensure 12 that the programs produce graduates that are well prepared to 13 teach. The plan shall include the development and implementation 14 of a school of education performance report for each teacher 15 education program in North Carolina. The performance report shall 16 include at least the following elements: (i) quality of students 17 entering the schools of education, including the average grade 18 point average and average score on preprofessional skills tests 19 that assess reading, writing, math and other competencies; (ii) 20 graduation rates; (iii) time-to-graduation rates; (iv) average 21 scores of graduates on professional and content area examination 22 for the purpose of certification; (v) percentage of graduates 23 receiving initial certification; (vi) percentage of graduates 24 hired as teachers; (vii) percentage of graduates remaining in



1 teaching for four years; (viii) graduate satisfaction based on a 2 common survey; and (ix) employer satisfaction based on a common 3 survey. The performance reports shall follow a common format. The 4 performance reports shall be submitted annually for the 1998-99, 5 1999-2000, and 2000-2001 school years. The performance reports 6 shall be submitted biannually thereafter to coincide with the 7 Board of Governors' biannual report institutional effectiveness. 8 annually. The State Board of Education shall develop a plan to be 9 implemented beginning in the 1998-99 school year to reward and 10 sanction approved teacher education programs and masters of 11 education programs and to revoke approval of those programs based 12 on the performance reports and other criteria established by the 13 State Board of Education.

The State Board also shall develop and implement a plan for annual performance reports for all masters degree programs in 6 education and school administration in North Carolina. To the 17 extent it is appropriated, the performance report shall include 18 similar indicators to those developed for the performance report 19 for teacher education programs. The performance reports shall 20 follow a common format.

Both plans for performance reports also shall include a method provide the annual performance reports to the Board of 23 Governors of The University of North Carolina, the State Board of trustees of the independent and the boards of 25 colleges. The State Board of Education shall review the schools 26 of education performance reports and the performance reports for 27 masters degree programs in education and school administration 28 each year the performance reports are submitted. The State Board 29 shall submit the performance reports to the Joint Legislative 30 Education Oversight Committee on an annual basis by December 15 31 or by a date that coincides with the federal reporting date once 32 it is adopted."

Section 2. The General Assembly believes educational 33 students should provide high school for 34 programs 35 accountability, program accountability, access, and efficiency. 36 Therefore, the Education Cabinet, created under G.S. 37 shall study public school, community college, and university 38 programs offered to high school students. These programs include 39 the cooperative high school program, the adult high school 40 diploma program, advanced placement courses, honors courses, and 41 university courses offered to high school students. The Cabinet 42 shall do the following:

(1) Examine these programs for overlap.

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	(0)	Consider which education entity is the most
1	(2)	Consider which education entity is the most appropriate one to offer each program.
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3	(3)	Consider distance learning options.
4	(4)	Examine whether there should be tuition waivers for
5		high school students who take courses at community
6		colleges or universities.
7	(5)	Determine whether there should be a minimum age for
8		participation in the adult high school program.
9	(6)	Determine the feasibility, advantages and
10		disadvantages, procedures, and costs for requiring
11		students who participate in the adult high school
12		program to take tests required of high school
13		students taking the same courses.
14	(7)	Evaluate the recent recommendations concerning the
15	()	cooperative high school program that were made to
16		the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee
17		by the State Board of Education and the State Board
18		of Community Colleges. In particular, the Cabinet
19		shall determine whether students should receive
		weighted credit on their high school transcripts
20		for college level courses taken at community
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22		colleges, universities, or colleges, and whether this program is an appropriate venue for
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27		November 15, 2000.
28	Sect	ion 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.