GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 871

Short Title: Assistance to Low Performing Schools.

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Sponsors: Representatives Locke, H. Hunter, Blue; Alexander, Arnold, Black, Boyd-McIntyre, Buchanan, Crawford, Davis, Earle, Easterling, Fitch, Hill, Howard, Hunt, Luebke, McCrary, McLaughlin, Michaux, Nichols, Oldham, Owens, Redwine, Rogers, Shaw, Shubert, Wainwright, Watson, Wilkins, and Yongue.

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| 2 | AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO APPOINT |
| 3 | ASSISTANCE TEAMS TO LOW PERFORMING SCHOOLS. |
| 4 | The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: |
| 5 | Section 1. G.S. 115C-64.1 reads as rewritten: |
| 6 | "§ 115C-64.1. Identification of low performing school units. units; provision of |
| 7 | assistance to school units prior to identification. |
| 8 | (a) The State Board of Education shall annually identify low performing local |
| 9 | school administrative units. Low performing local school administrative units are units |
| 10 | in which (i) student performance measures are substantially below, as defined by the |
| 11 | State Board, those reported by other units in the State, and (ii) student dropout rates are |
| 12 | substantially higher than, as defined by the State Board, the average statewide rate. |
| 13 | (b) Prior to identifying a local school administrative unit as low performing, the |
| 14 | State Board shall select persons to serve on an assistance team who can provide the types |
| 15 | of expertise the local school administrative unit needs. The State Board shall select an |
| 16 | assistance team leader. The team leader shall report quarterly to the State Board on the |
| 17 | progress of the unit. |

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- 1 <u>The State Board may contract with outside consultants acting as individuals or as a</u> 2 group to serve on an assistance team.
- 3 The State Board shall determine the relationships of the parties involved, including 4 the assistance team, local board members, and employees of local boards."
- 5 Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.