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H 1212. NOTIFY PARENTS OF WRITING CURRICULUM & RESULTS. TO NOTIFY PARENTS ABOUT THE USE OF AN EXPERIMENTAL WRITING CURRICULUM AND ABOUT THE RESULTS OF STATE WRITING TESTS. Adds new GS 115C-47(39) requiring all schools that use the experimental writing curriculum to notify all parents before beginning of classes and to furnish parents with a set of charts showing the percentage of 10th grade students proficient in the mechanics of writing over the last 10 years. Requires that the charts also be given to all parents of students who do not test as proficient on the 4th or 10th grade writing test, be prominently posted on the DPI website, and be disseminated to all news media. Requires that a child be instructed using a traditional approach to teach writing if a parent objects to the use of the experimental "integrated language arts curriculum." Prohibits the release of state writing tests by DPI without giving the sub-skill errors the same prominence as the "holistic" score. Effective July 1, 2001.

Intro. by Shubert.

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