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**S 1466. SOFT DRINK TAX/EDUCATION.** *TO LEVY A THREE-CENTS PER CONTAINER TAX ON SOFT DRINKS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR EDUCATION.* Rewrites Art. 2B of GS Ch. 105, which it renames the "Soft Drink Tax Act." Imposes a uniform 3-cent tax on each bottled soft drink; \$3.00 tax on every gallon or fraction thereof of liquid base products; and 3-cent tax per ounce of dry base products. Deletes the \$25 license fee for distributors and wholesale dealers and the \$5 license fee for retail dealers. Provides that the Sec'y of Revenue shall credit net proceeds of the tax under the article quarterly to the State Board of Education, which, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly, shall use the funds to provide free breakfast to all kindergarten and first grade students in public schools and for similar programs. Excess funds revert to the General Fund. Effective July 1, 2002.

**Intro. by Kinnaird.**

To be referred 6-18	GS 105
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**S 1467. CC TEACHER PREPARATION FUNDS (=H 1681).** *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES SYSTEM OFFICE TO ESTABLISH A SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR PROSPECTIVE TEACHERS AND TO DEVELOP TEACHER PREPARATION COURSES.* Identical to H 1681, introduced 6/13/02.

**Intro. by Rand.**

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