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S 1124. SUPERINTENDENT OF PUB. INSTRUCTION APPOINTED. Filed 3/20/07. *TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND TO MAKE CORRESPONDING STATUTORY CHANGES*.

Subject to approval by the voters at the November 6, 2007, general election, (1) amends section 4(2) of Article IX of the NC Constitution to provide that the State Board of Education appoints the Superintendent of Public Instruction (Superintendent), and (2) amends section 7(1) of Article III of the NC Constitution to remove the Superintendent from the list of specified state officials elected by the voters every four years. Makes conforming statutory changes in GS Chapters 115C, 147, and 163. Provides that the conforming statutory changes are effective only if the voters approve the constitutional amendments. Also provides that if the voters approve the constitutional amendments, (1) the conforming statutory changes become effective on January 1, 2009, or the date that a vacancy occurs in the office of Superintendent, whichever occurs earlier, and (2) no Superintendent will be elected in 2008 or thereafter.

Intro. by Clodfelter. GS 115C, 147, 163, CONST