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S 1250. COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS FUNDS. Filed 5/19/10. *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC., PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND TO PLACE NO FEWER THAN ONE HUNDRED GRADUATION COACHES IN EITHER MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOLS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION ON DROPOUT PREVENTION AND HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.*

Appropriates \$6,024,091 million for 2010-11 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction for use to support and expand the programs and services of Communities in Schools (CIS). Requires CIS to use the funds to leverage federal and private grants to support CIS programs statewide and to place a minimum of 100 graduation coaches in either middle schools or high schools. Directs CIS to give priority to placing graduation coaches in schools that have either (1) a four-year cohort graduation rate of less than 60% in the most recent school year or in one of the two previous school years, or (2) a performance composite fewer than 50%. Enumerate activities in which the graduation coaches are to engage with students at risk of dropping out and their parents and guardians. Requires CIS to report on the activities of the graduation coaches to the Joint Legislative Commission on Dropout Prevention and High School Graduation and the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by October 15, 2011, and annually thereafter. Effective July 1, 2010.

Intro. by Davis.

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