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Short Title: DPI/Curriculum on 1898 Wilmington Race Riot. (Public) Senators McKissick; Atwater, Boseman, Foriest, Graham, Jenkins, and Purcell. Sponsors: Referred to: Education/Higher Education. March 26, 2009 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION TO ADD APPROPRIATE GRADE-LEVEL CURRICULUM MATERIALS ON THE 1898 WILMINGTON RACE RIOT, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE 1898 WILMINGTON RACE RIOT COMMISSION. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: **SECTION 1.** Article 8 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read: "§ 115C-81.4. Curriculum on 1898 Wilmington Race Riot. The State Board of Education shall develop and implement curriculum learning experiences on the 1898 Wilmington Race Riot, developing appropriate grade-level curriculum materials, and provide teacher workshops for effectively integrating the materials into instruction." SECTION 2. The State Board of Education shall use funds available, if it deems appropriate, to contract with Ballen Media, LLC, or another consultant it deems appropriate to produce a documentary on the events relating to the 1898 Wilmington Race Riot.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

