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HOUSE BILL 760

Short Title: Summer Reading Camps. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Brandon, Hardister, B. Brown, and Cotham (Primary Sponsors).
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Referred to: Education.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT STUDENTS WHO DEMONSTRATE DIFFICULTY WITH
3 READING DEVELOPMENT MAY ATTEND SUMMER READING CAMPS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-83.3(9) reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 115C-83.3. Definitions.**

7 The following definitions apply in this Part:

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9 (9) "Summer reading camp" means an additional educational program outside of
10 the instructional calendar provided by the local school administrative unit to
11 any student who does not demonstrate reading ~~proficiency~~ proficiency and,
12 as funding and space are available, to any student who demonstrates
13 difficulty with reading development. Parents ~~A parent or guardians~~ guardian
14 of the ~~a student who is not demonstrating reading proficiency~~ proficiency, or
15 who is demonstrating difficulty with reading development, shall make the
16 final decision regarding the student's summer camp attendance. Summer
17 camps shall (i) be six to eight weeks long, four or five days per week; (ii)
18 include at least three hours of instructional time per day; (iii) be taught by
19 compensated, licensed teachers selected based on demonstrated student
20 outcomes in reading proficiency; ~~and~~ (iv) allow volunteer mentors to read
21 with ~~students~~ students; and (v) be funded and implemented through
22 public-private partnerships whenever possible.

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24 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 115C-83.8(a) reads as rewritten:

25 "(a) Students not demonstrating reading proficiency shall have priority to be enrolled in
26 a summer reading camp provided by the local school administrative unit prior to being retained.
27 Students who demonstrate reading proficiency on an alternative assessment of reading
28 comprehension or student reading portfolio after completing a summer reading camp shall be
29 promoted to the fourth grade. Students who do not demonstrate reading proficiency on these
30 measures after completing a summer reading camp shall be retained under G.S. 115C-83.7(a)
31 and provided with the instruction listed in subsection (b) of this section during the retained
32 year."

33 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with
34 the 2013-2014 school year.



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