A BILL TO BE ENTITLED


Whereas, North Carolina's student population is growing by an estimated 20,000 students a year; and
Whereas, North Carolina will need to continue to recruit and hire teachers to meet the needs of our growing student population; and
Whereas, North Carolina must offer competitive benefits and salaries to teachers in order to recruit, hire, and retain teachers within the State; and
Whereas, State retirement benefits have proven both to be attractive to job seekers and to increase hiring competition between the State and private sector employers; and
Whereas, subsections (c) and (d) of Section 35.21 of S.L. 2017-57 would eliminate the retiree medical benefit for teachers and State employees who earn contributory service in the retirement system after the year 2021; Now, therefore,
The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Subsections (c) and (d) of Section 35.21 of S.L. 2017-57 are repealed.

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.