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Joint Legislative Study Committee on Public School Funding Formulas

Section 1. The **Joint Legislative Study Committee on Public School Funding Formulas** (hereinafter "Committee") is established by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to G.S. 120-19.6(a1), Rule 31 of the Rules of the Senate of the 2007 General Assembly, and Rule 26(a) of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 2007 General Assembly.

Section 2. The Committee consists of 22 members. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall appoint 11 members of the Committee, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint 11 members of the Committee. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint a co-chair from among their respective appointees. The Committee and the terms of the members shall expire when the Committee submits a final report to the General Assembly. Members serve at the pleasure of the appointing officer.

President Pro Tempore Appointments

Senator A.B. Swindell, Co-Chair
Senator Linda Garrou
Senator Kay Hagan
Senator John Snow
Senator Martin Nesbitt
Senator Tony Rand
Senator Vernon Malone
Senator Jean Preston
Senator Fletcher Hartsell
Senator Ed Jones
Senator Harry Brown

Speaker of the House Appointments

Representative Rick Glazier, Co-Chair
Representative Larry M. Bell
Representative Curtis Blackwood
Representative Bill Faison
Representative Bruce Goforth
Representative Julia C. Howard
Representative William C. "Bill" McGee
Representative Ray Rapp
Representative Cullie M. Tarleton
Representative Laura I. Wiley
Representative Douglas Y. Yongue

Section 3. The Committee shall study the State Board of Education's model for projecting average daily membership and focus particularly on how well the model projects average daily membership in rapidly growing local school administrative units with a highly mobile population. The Committee shall also perform an extensive study of all public school funding formulas and distributions, including, but not limited to:

- (1) School Capital Fund.
- (2) Lottery School Construction Formula.
- (3) Children with Disabilities.
- (4) Limited English Proficiency.
- (5) At Risk Student Services/Alternative Schools.
- (6) Improving Student Accountability.
- (7) Disadvantaged Students Supplemental.
- (8) Low Wealth Counties Supplemental Funding.
- (9) Small County Supplemental Funding.
- (10) Transportation of Pupils.
- (11) Academically or Intellectually Gifted.
- (12) Number of school systems funded per county.

Section 4. The Committee shall meet upon the call of its co-chairs. A quorum of the Committee is a majority of its members. No action may be taken except by a majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

Section 5. The Committee, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all powers provided for under G.S. 120-19 and Article 5A of Chapter 120 of the General Statutes. The Committee may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant services, as provided by G.S. 120-32.02.

Section 6. Members of the Committee shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel allowance as provided in G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5 and 138-6, as appropriate.

Section 7. The expenses of the Committee shall be considered expenses incurred for the joint operation of the General Assembly. From funds available to the General Assembly, the Committee may use up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to conduct this study, subject to the approval of the Legislative Services Commission.

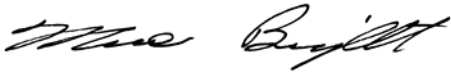
Section 8. The Legislative Services Officer shall assign professional and clerical staff to assist the Committee in its work. The Director of Legislative Assistants of the House of Representatives and the Director of Legislative Assistants of the Senate shall assign clerical support staff to the Committee. The Legislative Services Commission may hire additional consultants to assist the Committee in its work.

Section 9. The Committee may meet at various locations around the State in order to promote greater public participation in its deliberations.

Section 10. The Committee may submit an interim report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the Senate and the House of Representatives, on or before May 1, 2008, by filing a copy of the report with the Office of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Legislative Library. The Committee shall submit a final report on the results of its study, including any proposed legislation, to the members of the

Senate and the House of Representatives, on or before December 31, 2008, by filing a copy of the report with the Office of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Legislative Library. The Committee shall terminate on December 31, 2008, or upon the filing of its final report, whichever occurs first.

Effective this 27th day of November, 2007



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