June 13, 2002

H 1724. RETIREMENT/TENURE/TEACHER EXCHANGE PROGRAMS. TO CLARIFY THE STATUS OF TEACHERS PARTICIPATING IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROGRAMS FOR PURPOSES OF RETIREMENT AND TENURE. Amends GS 135-1(25) to provide that for purposes of Art. 1, GS Ch. 135 (retirement system for teachers and state employees), nonimmigrant alien teachers participating in an exchange visitor program administered by the US Dep't of State who teach in elementary or secondary public school must be considered temporary teachers. Amends GS 115C-325 to define "exchange teacher" as a nonimmigrant alien teacher, whether otherwise full-time, part-time, temporary, permanent, or substitute participating in an exchange visitor program administered by the US Dep't of State. Provides that exchange teachers are not eligible to obtain career status, but that they are to be treated as full-time, permanent teachers for purposes of determining salary and eligibility to receive employment benefits other than retirement, including vacation, personal leave, annual leave, and sick leave. Effective July 1, 2002.

Intro. by Hackney.

Ref. to Education	GS 115C,135

July 24, 2002

**H 1724. RETIREMENT/TENURE/TEACHER EXCHANGE PROGRAMS.** Intro. 6/13/02. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Clarifies GS 115C-325(c) to provide that exchange teachers shall be eligible to receive employment benefits if employed for at least twenty hours per week and with the expectation of at least six complete, consecutive monthly pay periods. Makes other technical changes.

September 11, 2002

**SL 2002-110 (H 1724). RETIREMENT/TENURE/TEACHER EXCHANGE PROGRAMS.** AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE STATUS OF TEACHERS PARTICIPATING IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROGRAMS FOR PURPOSES OF RETIREMENT AND TENURE. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 6/13/02 and 7/24/02. Enacted September 6, 2002. Effective July 1, 2002.