June 6, 2002

S 1275. DROPOUT RDCTN/LEA ACCOUNTABILITY. TO DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPROVE THE STATE'S TRACKING OF DROPOUT DATA, TO EXAMINE THE ACCOUNTABILITY FORMULA TO REWARD HIGH SCHOOLS FOR REDUCING THEIR DROPOUT RATE, TO IDENTIFY CURRENT STATE TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS AND CAREER CENTERS AND TO COOPERATE WITH THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO ENCOURAGE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT, TO STUDY THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ACADEMIC RIGOR AND REDUCING THE DROPOUT RATE, TO ENCOURAGE LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO PLACE EXCELLENT, EXPERIENCED TEACHERS IN GRADES SEVEN THROUGH NINE, TO DIRECT THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FISCAL AND INSTRUCTIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY OF LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS, AND TO DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO TAKE OVER ALL POWERS AND DUTIES RELATED TO A SCHOOL WHEN THAT SCHOOL AND ITS LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION FAIL TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS OF AN ASSISTANCE TEAM ASSIGNED TO THAT SCHOOL. As title indicates.

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S 1275. DROPOUT RDCTN/LEA ACCOUNTABILITY. Intro. 06/06/02. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Changes title to read AN ACT TO DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO IMPROVE THE STATE'S TRACKING OF DROPOUT DATA, TO EXAMINE THE ACCOUNTABILITY FORMULA TO REWARD HIGH SCHOOLS FOR REDUCING THEIR DROPOUT RATE, TO IDENTIFY CURRENT STATE TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS AND CAREER CENTERS AND TO COOPERATE WITH THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO ENCOURAGE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT, TO STUDY THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ACADEMIC RIGOR AND REDUCING THE DROPOUT RATE, TO ENCOURAGE LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO PLACE EXCELLENT. EXPERIENCED TEACHERS IN GRADES SEVEN THROUGH NINE, TO DIRECT THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO STUDY WHETHER RAISING THE COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AGE TO EIGHTEEN WILL REDUCE THE DROPOUT RATE, TO DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT A POLICY TO REQUIRE KINDERGARTEN THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE TEACHERS TO TAKE THREE RENEWAL CREDITS IN READING METHODS COURSES, TO DIRECT THE UNC BOARD OF GOVERNORS TO STUDY WHETHER TO REQUIRE AT LEAST TWO READING METHODS COURSES FOR ALL MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION MAJORS, TO DIRECT THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FISCAL AND INSTRUCTIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY OF LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS, AND TO DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO TAKE OVER ALL POWERS AND DUTIES RELATED TO A SCHOOL WHEN THAT SCHOOL AND ITS LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION FAIL TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS OF AN ASSISTANCE TEAM ASSIGNED TO THAT SCHOOL. Adds new provisions (1) directing Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee to study whether raising the compulsory attendance age to 18 will raise the high school graduation rate, (2) directing State Board of Education to adopt a policy requiring K-8 teachers to take three renewal credits in reading methods courses every five years, and (3) directing the UNC Board of Governors to study reading methods course requirements in teacher education programs. Adds provision to proposed new G.S. 115C-105.38(b1) requiring that a local board of education be provided with copies of any report to the State Board of Education that one of its low-performing schools has not been responsive to an assistance team's recommendations and that the local board be given an opportunity to respond. Also makes stylistic changes.

S 1275. DROPOUT RDCTN/LEA ACCOUNTABILITY. Intro. 6/6/02. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Makes technical changes only.

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S 1275. DROPOUT RDCTN/LEA ACCOUNTABILITY. Intro. 6/6/02. House amendment makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Requires that study of reading methods course be examined in light of G.S. 115C-81.2 (documenting course and personnel changes made to implement that section) and the requirements of the federal Reading First program.