

March 17, 2005

H 779. RAISE COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AGE. TO PROHIBIT STUDENTS FROM DROPPING OUT OF SCHOOL BEFORE THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN AND TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR TRUANCY. Amends GS 115C-378 and 116-235(b)(2) to increase compulsory school attendance age from 15 to 17 and to increase the penalty for aiding a student's unlawful absence from school from a Class 3 to a Class 1 misdemeanor. Makes conforming change to definition of an "undisciplined juvenile" for purposes of the Juvenile Code (GS Chapter 7B) and the Dep't of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (Article 12 of GS Chapter 143B). Effective July 1, 2005.

Intro. by Fisher.

Ref. to Education

GS 7B, 115C, 116, 143B

May 12, 2005

H 779. INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR TRUANCY (NEW). Intro. 3/17/05. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes all provisions of first edition, which increased the compulsory attendance age, and replaces it with *AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR AIDING AND ABETTING A STUDENT'S UNLAWFUL ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL*. Amends GS 115C-380 (compulsory school attendance for public schools) and GS 116-235(b)(2) (compulsory attendance for the School of Science and Math) to increase penalty for violation of those sections from a Class 3 to a Class 1 misdemeanor. Makes technical change. Effective December 1, 2005.

August 29, 2005

SL 2005-318 (H 779). INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR TRUANCY. AN ACT TO INCREASE THE PENALTY FOR AIDING AND ABETTING A STUDENT'S UNLAWFUL ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/17/05 and 5/12/05. Enacted August 25, 2005. Effective December 1, 2005.