

March 28, 2005

H 911. STREAMLINE SCHOOL TESTING PROGRAM. TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOP A HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAM AND ADDITIONAL END-OF-COURSE TESTS EXCEPT AS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL LAW. Enacts new GS 115C-174.11(d) barring State Board of Education from requiring additional end-of-course tests beyond those administered in the 2004-05 academic year, other than end-of-course tests for civic and economics, except as required by federal law. Amends GS 115C-174.11 to eliminate Board's authority to study results from tests administered 12 months before the third grade end of grade test to determine whether the tests provide a more reliable baseline for measuring academic growth than tests administered at the start of third grade. Amends GS 115C-12(9a) and (9b) to remove the authority of the Board to develop a plan for high school exit exams and end-of-course tests for courses required for admission to UNC-system institutions. Permits Board to develop high school exit standards and student proficiency benchmarks for courses required for admission to UNC-system institutions.

Intro. by Glazier.

Ref. to Education

GS 115C

April 20, 2005

H 911. STREAMLINE SCHOOL TESTING PROGRAM. Intro. 3/28/05. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Replaces GS 115C-12(9a) and (9b) with new GS 115C-12(9c) that authorizes State Board of Education to develop exit standards that will be required for high school graduation and omits references to proficiency benchmarks. Amends GS 115C-174.11 to allow State Board of Education to develop and implement plan for end-of-course tests (consistent with new GS 115C-174.11(d)) and aligned with content standards developed under GS 115C-12(9c). Repeals provision in GS 115C-174.11(c)(1) stating that baseline measurements are not public records. Revises new GS 115C-174.11(d) to allow creation of end-of-course test for U.S. History.

August 10, 2005

H 911. STREAMLINE SCHOOL TESTING PROGRAM. Intro. 3/28/05. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Amends GS 115C-174.11(c)(1) to authorize the State Board of Education to implement a plan for high school end-of-course tests (was, end-of-course tests) that are aligned with the content standards developed under proposed GS 115C-12(9c). Deletes proposed GS 115C-174.11(d), which would have limited additional tests, and statement requiring that act be construed to provide the Board with full flexibility to incorporate No Child Left Behind mandates into the testing structure. Makes technical changes.

October 5, 2005

SL 2005-458 (H 911). STREAMLINE SCHOOL TESTING PROGRAM. AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DEVELOP A HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAM. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/28/05, 4/20/05, and 8/10/05. Enacted October 2, 2005. Effective October 2, 2005.