

March 20, 2007

S 1086. TOBACCO FREE SCHOOLS. Filed 3/20/07. *TO PROTECT CHILDREN IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM EXPOSURE TO TOBACCO BY REQUIRING LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES PROHIBITING THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS BY ANY PERSON IN PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES, ON THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAMPUS, AND IN OR ON OTHER SCHOOL PROPERTY.*

Amends GS 115C-407 to broaden the prohibitions against smoking in public schools. Requires local boards of education to amend their written policies to prohibit at all times the use of any tobacco product (was, smoking) by any person in a school building, in a school facility, on the surrounding public school campus, and in or on school property owned or operated by the local education agency (LEA). (Under current law, restriction is against smoking in a school building used to provide routine or regular kindergarten, elementary, secondary education, or library services to children.) Specifies notice of the policy and sanctions for violating the policy to students and personnel (was, notice to students and school personnel) of the policy. Provides that sanctions may include participation in an approved smoking cessation program. Requires the posting of signs prohibiting the use of tobacco products by any person. Removes language that permitted the use of tobacco products in instructional or research activities in public school buildings. Retains requirements that school personnel enforce the policy. Local boards of education have until January 1, 2008, to comply with GS 115C-407 as amended.

Intro. by Purcell.

GS 115C

April 10, 2007

S 1086. TOBACCO FREE SCHOOLS. Filed 3/20/07. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Additionally expands the prohibition against tobacco use in school buildings and grounds to also prohibit the use of any tobacco product by persons attending school sponsored events at any location. (The first edition expanded the prohibition to include the surrounding school campus and any property owned or operated by the local school administrative unit.) Directs local boards of education to adopt, implement, and enforce a written policy prohibiting tobacco use under the act no later than August 1, 2008 (was, adopt and enforce no later than January 1, 2008). Adds parents and the public to the list of persons to be provided adequate notice of the tobacco use policy (was, students and school personnel). Removes requirement that the policy include sanctions for violation of the policy. Reinstates provision that the policy may permit tobacco products to be included in instructional or research activities in public school buildings if: (1) the activity is conducted or supervised by the faculty member overseeing the instruction or research; and (2) the activity does not include smoking, chewing, or otherwise ingesting the tobacco product. Directs the North Carolina Health and Wellness Trust Fund commission to provide assistance to local boards of education in implementing the policy. Changes title to *AN ACT TO PROTECT CHILDREN IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM EXPOSURE TO TOBACCO BY REQUIRING LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES PROHIBITING THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS, IN SCHOOL FACILITIES, ON SCHOOL CAMPUSES, OR AT SCHOOL-RELATED OR SCHOOL-SPONSORED EVENTS, AND IN OR ON OTHER SCHOOL PROPERTY.*

April 11, 2007

S 1086. TOBACCO FREE SCHOOLS. Filed 3/20/07. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Amends GS 115C-407 to prohibit the use of tobacco products by a person attending a school-sponsored event at a location not listed only when the person is in the presence of students or school personnel or in an area where smoking is otherwise prohibited by law.

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SL 2007-236 (S 1086). TOBACCO FREE SCHOOLS. *AN ACT TO PROTECT CHILDREN IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM EXPOSURE TO TOBACCO BY REQUIRING LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT WRITTEN POLICIES PROHIBITING THE USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS, IN SCHOOL FACILITIES, ON SCHOOL CAMPUSES, OR AT SCHOOL-RELATED OR SCHOOL-SPONSORED EVENTS, AND IN OR ON OTHER SCHOOL PROPERTY.* Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/20/07, 4/10/07, 4/11/07, and 4/26/07. Enacted July 18, 2007. Effective July 18, 2007.