April 2, 2009

H 1031. BLDG. STDS./PRE-K CLASSES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Filed 4/2/09. TO ALLOW PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO USE THE SAME BUILDING STANDARDS FOR PREKINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS AS FOR KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS.

Amends GS 115C-521 to provide that any existing or newly constructed classroom in a public school may be used for three and four-year-old preschool students without modifications to the classroom or the building if the following is true: (1) the classroom meets state and local requirements for a kindergarten classroom; and (2) the classroom has at least one toilet and one hand sink for hand washing. Provides that classrooms meeting this standard qualify for the highest state rating as a day care facility.

Intro. by Folwell.

GS 115C

May 5, 2009

H 1031. BLDG. STDS./PRE-K CLASSES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Filed 4/2/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes proposed GS 115C-521(f), which provided that any existing or newly constructed classroom in a public school may be used for three and four-year-old preschool students without modifications to the classroom or the building if (1) the classroom meets state and local requirements for a kindergarten classroom; and (2) the classroom has at least one toilet and one hand sink for hand washing. Instead, enacts new GS 115C-521.1 to provide that a public school that voluntarily applies for a child care facility license may use any existing or newly constructed classroom in a public school for three and four-year-old preschool students without modifications to the classroom at least one toilet and one hand sink for hand washing. Instead, enacts new GS 115C-521.1 to provide that a public school that voluntarily applies for a child care facility license may use any existing or newly constructed classroom in a public school for three and four-year-old preschool students without modifications to the classroom or the building if (1) the classroom has at least one toilet and one hand sink for hand washing, (2) meets kindergarten standards for overhead light fixtures, and (3) meets kindergarten standards for floors, walls, and ceilings. Also requires that the public school applying for the license meet all other requirements for child care facility licensure. Makes a conforming change to GS 110-90(11) (related to adoption of rules by the Child Care Commission).

Changes the title to AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC SCHOOLS SEEKING VOLUNTARY CHILD CARE FACILITY LICENSURE MAY USE THE SAME BUILDING STANDARDS FOR PREKINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS AS FOR KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS MEETING CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.

June 3, 2009

H 1031. BLDG. STDS./PRE-K CLASSES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Filed 4/2/09. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Adds in proposed GS 115C-521.1 that a classroom must have floors, walls, and ceilings that are free from mold, mildew, and lead hazards, in addition to meeting other conditions, for a public school that voluntarily applies for a child care facility license to use the existing or newly constructed classroom without requiring modifications.

June 22, 2009

SL 2009-123 (H 1031). BUILDING STANDARDS/PRE-K CLASSES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS. AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT PUBLIC SCHOOLS SEEKING VOLUNTARY CHILD CARE FACILITY LICENSURE MAY USE THE SAME BUILDING STANDARDS FOR PREKINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS AS FOR KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS MEETING CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 4/2/09, 5/5/09, and 6/3/09. Enacted June 19, 2009. Effective June 19, 2009.