

March 12, 2009

H 593. CHANGE SCHOOL STARTING DATE. Filed 3/12/09. *TO CHANGE THE SCHOOL STARTING DATE FOR STUDENTS.*

Current law provides that North Carolina's public schools, other than year-round schools, may not open for students before August 25 and may not close for students after June 10. Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) to modify the public school opening date for students in the state. Provides that except for year-round schools, the opening date for students may not be before the second Monday in August.

Applies beginning with the 2009-10 school year.

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May 11, 2009

H 593. CHANGE SCHOOL STARTING DATE. Filed 3/12/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Requires local boards of education to conduct a public hearing before determining the opening and closing dates for public schools. Provides that the act applies beginning with the 2010-11 school year (was, 2009-10). Makes conforming changes to the title.

H 615. BUSINESS TRUSTS. Filed 3/16/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Rewrites new GS 39-46(b) to affect the validity of the instrument with respect to rights of innocent third parties only when the instrument reveals on its face a breach (was, potential breach) of fiduciary obligation.

May 13, 2009

H 593. CHANGE SCHOOL STARTING DATE. Filed 3/12/09. House amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) to provide that the closing date for public school students, except for year-round schools, must not be more than 42 weeks after the opening date of school for that year.

July 7, 2010

H 593. MODIFY GOOD CAUSE WAIVERS (NEW). Filed 3/12/09. Senate committee substitute removes the provisions of the 3rd edition and replaces it with *AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SCHOOL CALENDAR LAW REGARDING WAIVERS FOR GOOD CAUSE DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER OR EMERGENCY CONDITIONS.*

Current law provides that upon a showing of *good cause* by a local school system, the State Board of Education may waive the requirement that public schools, exclusive of year-round schools, must set an opening date for students no earlier than August 25 and a closing date for students no later than June 10. Amends GS 115C-84.2(d) to redefine the term *good cause* to mean that a local school administrative unit has one or more schools (was, schools) that have been closed for all or part of eight days (was, closed eight days) per year during any four of the last 10 years because of severe weather conditions, energy shortages, power failures, or other emergency situations. Provides that a school is considered to have been closed for part of a day if the school is closed for two or more hours on that day.

Applies beginning with the 2010-11 school year.

July 8, 2010

H 593. MODIFY GOOD CAUSE WAIVERS. Filed 3/12/09. Senate amendments make the following changes to 4th edition.

Amendment #1 amends GS 115C-84.2 to distinguish that the term *good cause* means *either* (previous version provided single definition) that: (1) schools (was, one or more schools) in any local school administrative unit in a county have been closed eight days per year (was, for all or part of eight days) during any four of the last 10 years because of severe weather conditions, energy shortages, power failures, or other emergency situations; *or (new)* (2) schools in any local school administrative unit in a county have been closed for all or part of eight days per year

during any four of the last 10 years because of severe weather conditions. For purposes of subdivision (2), a school is deemed to be closed for part of a day if it is closed for two or more hours.

Amendment #2 enacts the following statutes to prohibit counties, municipalities, and local boards of education from using public funds to endorse or oppose a referendum, election, or a particular candidate for elective office: GS 153A-456 (pertaining to counties), GS 160A-499.3 (pertaining to municipalities), and GS 115C-46.1 (pertaining to local boards of education). Makes a conforming change to title.

July 28, 2010

SL 2010-114 (H 593). MODIFY GOOD CAUSE WAIVERS. AN ACT TO MODIFY THE SCHOOL CALENDAR LAW REGARDING WAIVERS FOR GOOD CAUSE DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER OR EMERGENCY CONDITIONS, AND TO LIMIT THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS BY COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES, AND LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO ENDORSE OR OPPOSE A REFERENDUM, ELECTION, OR CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE.
Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 7/7/10 and 7/8/10. Enacted July 20, 2010. Effective July 20, 2010.