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SENATE BILL 738
Education/Higher Education Committee Substitute Adopted 5/6/09
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Short Title: Diabetes Control Plans in Charter Schools.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 24, 2009

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE BOARDS OF DIRECTORS OF CHARTER SCHOOLS TO
3 IMPLEMENT THE GUIDELINES ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF
4 EDUCATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF
5 INDIVIDUAL DIABETES CARE PLANS AND TO REQUIRE LOCAL BOARDS OF
6 EDUCATION AND BOARDS OF DIRECTORS OF CHARTER SCHOOLS TO REPORT
7 ANNUALLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ABOUT THEIR
8 COMPLIANCE WITH THESE GUIDELINES.

9 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

10 SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-375.3 reads as rewritten:

11 "§ 115C-375.3. Guidelines to support and assist students with diabetes.

12 Local boards of education and boards of directors of charter schools shall ensure that the
13 guidelines adopted by the State Board of Education under G.S. 115C-12(31) are implemented
14 in schools in which students with diabetes are enrolled. In particular, the boards shall require
15 the implementation of the procedures set forth in those guidelines for the development and
16 implementation of individual diabetes care plans. ~~Local~~ The boards also shall make available
17 necessary information and staff development to teachers and school personnel in order to
18 appropriately support and assist students with diabetes in accordance with their individual
19 diabetes care plans. Local boards of education and boards of directors of charter schools shall
20 report to the State Board of Education annually, on or before August 15, whether they have
21 students with diabetes enrolled and provide information showing compliance with the
22 guidelines adopted by the State Board of Education under G.S. 115C-12(31). These reports
23 shall be in compliance with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. §
24 1232g."

25 SECTION 2. G.S. 115C-238.29F(a) reads as rewritten:

26 "(a) Health and Safety Standards. – A charter school shall meet the same health and
27 safety requirements required of a local school administrative unit. The Department of Public
28 Instruction shall ensure that charter schools provide parents and guardians with information
29 about meningococcal meningitis and influenza and their vaccines at the beginning of every
30 school year. This information shall include the causes, symptoms, and how meningococcal
31 meningitis and influenza are spread and the places where parents and guardians may obtain
32 additional information and vaccinations for their children.



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1 The Department of Public Instruction shall also ensure that charter schools provide parents
2 and guardians with information about cervical cancer, cervical dysplasia, human
3 papillomavirus, and the vaccines available to prevent these diseases. This information shall be
4 provided at the beginning of the school year to parents of children entering grades five through
5 12. This information shall include the causes and symptoms of these diseases, how they are
6 transmitted, how they may be prevented by vaccination, including the benefits and possible
7 side effects of vaccination, and the places where parents and guardians may obtain additional
8 information and vaccinations for their children.

9 The Department of Public Instruction shall also ensure that charter schools provide students
10 in grades nine through 12 with information annually on the manner in which a parent may
11 lawfully abandon a newborn baby with a responsible person, in accordance with G.S. 7B-500.

12 The Department of Public Instruction shall also ensure that the guidelines for individual
13 diabetes care plans adopted by the State Board of Education under G.S. 115C-12(31) are
14 implemented in charter schools in which students with diabetes are enrolled and that charter
15 schools otherwise comply with the provisions of G.S. 115C-375.3."

16 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with
17 the 2009-2010 school year.