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NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
AMENDMENT
House Bill 588

AMENDMENT NO. 1
(to be filled in by
Principal Clerk)

H588-ALB-132 [v.1]

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Comm. Sub. [YES]
Amends Title [NO]
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Senator Vaughan

1 moves to amend the bill on page 1, line 10 through page 2 line 10 by rewriting those lines to
2 read:

3 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 115C-81(g) reads as rewritten:

4 "(g) Civic Literacy. –

5 (1) Local boards of education shall require during the high school years the
6 teaching of the nation's founding and related documents, which shall include
7 at least the major principles in the Declaration of Independence, the United
8 States Constitution and its amendments, and the most important of the
9 Federalist Papers. Papers and specifically a semester course that focuses on
10 the following:

11 a. America's Founding Philosophy, to include at least the following:

- 12 1. The Creator-endowed inalienable rights of the people.
- 13 2. The purpose of government is to protect the inalienable rights
14 of the people and to protect people from violence and fraud.
- 15 3. Structure of government, separation of powers, checks and
16 balances.
- 17 4. Rule of law with frequent and free elections in a
18 representative government.

19 b. America's Founding Principles, to include at least the following:

- 20 1. Federalism, government as close to the people as possible.
- 21 2. Bill of Rights guaranteed freedoms of speech, press, religion,
22 and peaceful assembly.
- 23 3. Private property rights and freedom of individual enterprise.
- 24 4. Innocent of any crime until proven guilty with rights of
25 habeas corpus, no unreasonable searches or seizures, no cruel
26 or unusual punishment, and right to a speedy trial by a jury of
27 peers.
- 28 5. A virtuous and moral people educated in the philosophy and
29 principles of government for a free people.
- 30 6. Constitutional limitations on government power to tax and
31 spend and prompt payment of public debt.
- 32 7. Right of people to keep and bear arms, strong defense
33 capability, supremacy of civil authority over military.



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