

## NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT

Senate Bill 8

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## Senator Graham

moves to amend the bill on page 3, lines 24-25 by inserting between the lines the following:

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"(7) To establish a weighted lottery for admission to charter schools to benefit students attending low-performing schools as defined by State Board of Education policy."; and

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On page 4, line 44 by deleting the phrase "if any"; and

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On page 11, lines 20-24, by rewriting those lines to read:

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13 14 "ethnicity, national origin, gender, or disability. Except as otherwise provided by law or the mission of the school as set out in the charter, the school shall not limit admission to students on the basis of intellectual ability, measures of achievement or aptitude, athletic ability, disability, race, creed, gender, national origin, religion, or ancestry. The charter school may give enrollment", and

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On page 11, line 48 by rewriting the line to read:

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"case, students shall be accepted by lot-a weighted lottery as established by the Commission under G.S. 115C-238.29A1(k)(7). Once enrolled, students are not"; and

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on page 12, line 22 by rewriting the line to read:

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"this subsection shall be interpreted to require a charter school granted a charter prior to July 1, 2011 to provide busing or any other"; and

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On page 12, lines 23-24 by inserting the following between those lines:

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"(h1) Transportation. – For charter schools granted charters after July 1, 2011, the charter school shall provide transportation for students enrolled at the school from families with incomes below 185 percent of the poverty level as defined by the federal government. The school shall develop a transportation plan so that transportation is not a barrier to any student described in the preceding sentence who resides in the local school administrative unit in which



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| 1  | the school is located. The charter school is not required to provide transportation to any student  |
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| 2  | who (i) lives within one-half mile of the school, (ii) for schools located in an urban area, lives  |
| 3  | more than 5 miles from the school, or (iii) for schools located in a rural area, lives more than 10 |
| 4  | miles from the school. For purposes of this subsection "urban area" means any Metropolitan          |
| 5  | Statistical Area as defined by the United States Census Bureau that includes counties of the        |
| 6  | State and that has a population of 100,000 or more within the State, and "rural area" means any     |
| 7  | area of the state that is not a "urban area". At the request of the charter school and if the local |
| 8  | board of the local school administrative unit in which the charter school is located operates a     |
| 9  | school bus system, then that local board may contract with the charter school to provide            |
| 10 | transportation in accordance with the charter school's transportation plan to students who reside   |
| 11 | in the local school administrative unit and who reside at least one and one-half miles of the       |
| 12 | charter school. A local board may charge the charter school a reasonable charge that is             |
| 13 | sufficient to cover the cost of providing this transportation. Furthermore, a local board may       |
| 14 | refuse to provide transportation under this subsection if it demonstrates there is no available     |
| 15 | space on buses it intends to operate during the term of the contract or it would not be practically |
| 16 | feasible to provide this transportation.  |
| 17 | (h2) Nutrition. – For charter schools granted charters after July 1, 2011, the charter              |
| 18 | school shall provide free and reduced priced meals to students from families below 185 percent      |
| 19 | of the poverty level through participation in the National School Lunch Program established by      |
| 20 | the federal government, or through alternative means approved by the Division of School             |
| 21 | Support, Child Nutrition Services of the Department of Public Instruction.".                        |
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