



NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT Senate Bill 37

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Date _____,2021

Senator Crawford

1	moves to amend the bill of	on page 2, lines 6-24, by rewriting those lines to read:
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3	"a.	A local board of education may provide the option of in-person
4		instruction under Plan A (Minimal Social Distancing) to all students
5		enrolled in that unit with an individualized education program, as
6		defined in G.S. 115C-106.3(8), or a section 504 (29 U.S.C. § 794)
7		plan. If a local board elects to use this option, it shall notify the
8		Department of Public Instruction of this election, and shall receive
9		additional funds as provided in Section 5 of this act to hire additional
10		personnel and for other costs of this in-person instruction.
11	b.	Local boards of education shall provide the option of in-person
12		instruction under Plan A (Minimal Social Distancing) or Plan B
13		(Moderate Social Distancing) for all other students enrolled in grades
14		kindergarten through 12 in that unit. It shall be in the discretion of the
15		local board whether in-person instruction shall be provided under Plan
16		A (Minimal Social Distancing), Plan B (Moderate Social Distancing),
17		or both Plans as necessary to address the needs of different school
18		settings. In providing in-person instruction as provided in this section,
19		local boards of education shall prioritize daily in-person instruction for
20		students with disabilities in self-contained classrooms and students
21		who are identified, as provided in G.S. 115C-105.41, as at risk for
22		academic failure and not successfully progressing toward grade
23		promotion and graduation. "Students with disabilities in self-contained
24		classrooms" means students whose individualized education plans
25		have determined that the nature or severity of the disability is such that
26		special classes or separate schooling is the least restrictive
27		environment to receive a free appropriate public education for those
28		students, consistent with the requirements of the Individuals with
29		Disabilities Education Improvement Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1400, et seq.,
30		(2004).





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1	c. Local boards of education shall continue to provide remote instruction		
2	options for all students to elect to participate in, at the discretion of the		
3	parent or guardian, for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.";		
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5	and on page 2, line 51, by rewriting that line to read:		
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7	"SECTION 5.(a) Funding. – Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-4-2, G.S. 143C-5-2, or		
8	any other provision of law to the contrary, the State Controller shall transfer from the Savings		
9	Reserve Account to the General Fund the sum of one hundred seventy seven million dollars		
10	(\$177,000,000) for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.		
11	SECTION 5.(b) Appropriation. – Funds transferred under this section are hereby		
12	appropriated for the 2020-2021 fiscal year to the Department of Public Instruction. The		
13	Department of Public Instruction shall allocate these funds on a per pupil basis based on the		
14	number of identified exceptional children in grades kindergarten through five in any unit that		
15	notifies the Department within twenty-one days of the effective date of this act that the unit will		
16	provide in-person instruction to all elementary students with an individualized education		
17	program, as defined in G.S. 115C-106.3(8), or a section 504 (29 U.S.C. § 794) plan. The unit		
18	may use this funding to hire additional personnel to provide in-person instruction, or for other		
19	costs identified by the unit related to that instruction."		
20	SECTION 6. This act is effective when it becomes law.".		

SIGNED _____ Amendment Sponsor

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Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

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