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HOUSE BILL DRH10565-NH-2

Short Title: School Calendar Flexibility/Stanly County. (Local)

Sponsors: Representative Sasser.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY TO STANLY COUNTY SCHOOLS
3 IN ADOPTING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-84.2(d) reads as rewritten:

6 "(d) Opening and Closing Dates. – Local boards of education shall determine the dates of
7 opening and closing the public schools under subdivision (a)(1) of this section. Except for
8 year-round schools, the opening date for students shall be ~~no earlier than the Monday closest to~~
9 ~~August 26, no later than the Monday closest to August 15,~~ and the closing date for students shall
10 be no later than the Friday closest to June 11. ~~On a showing of good cause, the State Board of~~
11 ~~Education may waive the requirement that the opening date for students be no earlier than the~~
12 ~~Monday closest to August 26 and may allow the local board of education to set an opening date~~
13 ~~no earlier than the Monday closest to August 19, to the extent that school calendars are able to~~
14 ~~provide sufficient days to accommodate anticipated makeup days due to school closings.~~ A local
15 board may revise the scheduled closing date if necessary in order to comply with the minimum
16 requirements for instructional days or instructional time. ~~For purposes of this subsection the term~~
17 ~~"good cause" means that schools in any local school administrative unit in a county have been~~
18 ~~closed eight days per year during any four of the last 10 years because of severe weather~~
19 ~~conditions, energy shortages, power failures, or other emergency situations.~~

20 The required opening and closing dates under this subsection shall not apply to any school
21 that a local board designated as having a modified calendar for the 2003-2004 school year or to
22 any school that was part of a planned program in the 2003-2004 school year for a system of
23 modified calendar schools, so long as the school operates under a modified calendar."

24 **SECTION 2.** This act applies only to Stanly County Schools.

25 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with
26 the 2022-2023 school year.

