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SENATE BILL DRS45167-NHa-118

Short Title: Increase School Psychologists. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Waddell (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS IN SCHOOLS.
3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
4 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
5 Public Instruction the sum of one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) in recurring
6 funds for the 2023-2024 fiscal year to increase the Instructional Support Allotment. It is the intent
7 of the General Assembly that these funds be used to increase the amount of full-time equivalent
8 positions for school psychologists funded by the State to at least 675 positions. If local boards of
9 education are unable to find school psychologists to fill these positions, the positions may be
10 converted to a dollar equivalent to allow the local board to contract with a third party to provide
11 school psychologist services or other positions or services allowed under the allotment.
12 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2023.



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