

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2025

FILED SENATE
Mar 25, 2025
S.B. 598
PRINCIPAL CLERK

S

D

SENATE BILL DRS15278-NG-84

Short Title: Change to Low-Performing Schools Designation. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Sawyer (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO MODIFY THE CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING LOW-PERFORMING
3 SCHOOLS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-105.37(a) reads as rewritten:

6 "(a) Identification of Low-Performing Schools. – The State Board of Education shall
7 identify low-performing schools on an annual basis. Low-performing schools are those that earn
8 an overall school performance grade of D or F and a school growth score of "~~met expected~~
9 ~~growth~~" or "not met expected growth" as defined by G.S. 115C-83.15."

10 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 115C-105.37(b) reads as rewritten:

11 "(b) Parental Notice of Low-Performing School Status. – Each school that the State Board
12 identifies as low-performing shall provide written notification to the parents and guardians of
13 students attending that school within 30 days of the identification that includes the following
14 information:

15 (1) A statement that the State Board of Education has found that the school has
16 earned an overall school performance grade of D or F and a school growth
17 score of "~~met expected growth~~" or "not met expected growth" and has been
18 identified as a low-performing school as defined by G.S. 115C-105.37. The
19 statement shall include an explanation of the school performance grades and
20 growth scores.

21"

22 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to identification
23 of low performing schools based on data from the 2025-2026 school year.



* D R S 1 5 2 7 8 - N G - 8 4 *