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SENATE BILL DRS35232-NG-92

Short Title: Teach Critical Thinking in Elementary. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Sanderson (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR INSTRUCTION IN CRITICAL THINKING IN PUBLIC  
3 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.  
4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
5 SECTION 1. Part 1 of Article 8 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is amended  
6 by adding a new section to read:  
7 "§ 115C-81.77. Critical thinking.  
8 The standard course of study shall include that the public schools provide instruction in  
9 critical thinking in kindergarten through grade five so that students can learn to evaluate  
10 information rather than simply memorize it."  
11 SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with  
12 the 2025-2026 school year.



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