

Office of State Budget and Management
Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions
(G.S. 143-34.1)

Agency: Dept of Public Instruction **Division:** Exceptional Children

Budget Code: 13510 **Center Title:** Curriculum & School Reform Services Area **Center Number:** 1600

***** Position Information *****

Proposed Classification: Education Consultant II **Proposed Salary Grade:** 77

Salary Range: \$45,185 - \$71,545 **Proposed Effective Date:** 5/1/06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
	<u>As of 2/28/06</u>	<u>Includes Salary & Benefits</u>
Total Budget	\$ 79,460,722	\$ 85,646
Receipts	70,578,114	85,646
Appropriation	\$ 8,882,608	\$ 0

Funding Source(s): 160032950380

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

The number of students with disabilities increases annually and as result has become an issue for charter schools. Issues with services delivery, appropriateness of placement in the least restrictive environment (LRE), appropriateness of instruction, cost of special education and related services, and the lack of experienced certified teachers have resulted in the number of complaints concerning educational services. There is a need for a permanent charter school consultant position for curriculum and positive behavior support. There are currently 95 charter schools serving 3,297 students with disabilities statewide. This task is currently performed by a contractor.

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