

HOUSE BILL 445: School Calendar Flexibility/Chatham County.

2021-2022 General Assembly

Committee: House Local Government. If favorable, re- Date: April 20, 2021

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House

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 445 would allow Chatham County Schools to align the school calendar with the academic calendar of the community college serving that county.

CURRENT LAW: Under G.S. 115C-84.2, a school calendar must include a minimum of 185 days or 1025 hours of instruction covering at least nine calendar months. Except for year-round schools, the opening date for students cannot be earlier than the Monday closest to August 26 and the closing date for students cannot be later than the Friday closest to June 11.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 445 would allow the local board of education in Chatham County Schools to align the school calendar with the calendar of the community college serving that county.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This bill would become effective when it becomes law and would apply beginning with the 2021-2022 school year.

