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Short Title: Model Teacher Educ. Consortium.	(Public)
Sponsors:	
Referred to:	

May 10, 1989

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

2 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A MODEL TEACHER EDUCATION CONSORTIUM.

3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. (a) There is established a model teacher education consortium for the following local school administrative units: Granville County, Halifax County, Northampton County, Vance County, Warren County, Roanoke Rapids City and Weldon City, with the collaboration of East Carolina University, Elizabeth City State University, Atlantic Christian College, North Carolina Wesleyan College, Halifax Community College, and Vance-Granville Community College.

- (b) The consortium shall develop a teacher education program in accordance with the requirements of the North Carolina Administrative Code, Title 16, Section .0206 and shall, upon development of the program, apply to the State Board of Education for approval as a teacher education program. The Department of Public Instruction shall assist the consortium in developing the program and shall act upon the application of the program in accordance with Title 16, Section .0206 and the Department of Public Instruction's Standards for Organizing and Implementing Consortium-based Teacher Education.
- (c) The consortium's teacher education program shall be designed to serve persons interested in becoming certified teachers in North Carolina's public schools, or in upgrading or refining skills for employment in the public schools, or in expanding areas of certification in keeping with established standards. The initial thrust of the program shall be to qualify for certification teachers who already have college degrees but are not certified or need additional areas of certification and to provide a teacher

education program for qualified teacher assistants. Special emphasis shall be placed on recruiting minority participants.

- (d) The consortium's Policy Board, developed in accordance with the Standards for Organizing and Implementing Consortium-based Teacher Education, shall establish a monetary value for the individualized education program of each participant, and shall enter an agreement with each participant for the repayment of that amount on terms specified in the agreement. The agreement shall provide for forgiveness of the repayment on a plan modeled after G.S. 115C-471.
- (e) The consortium shall seek foundation, business, industry, and local school administrative unit support for 1989-90 and subsequent fiscal years.
- Sec. 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Public Education the sum of \$75,000 for the 1989-90 fiscal year and the sum of \$125,000 for the 1990-91 fiscal year for the consortium established by this act. No more than one-half of the monies for the 1989-90 fiscal year and no more than thirty percent (30%) of the monies for the 1990-91 fiscal year shall be used for administrative purposes. The remainder shall be used to provide instructional support for the participants under the plan devised by the executive committee.
 - Sec. 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.