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SENATE BILL 179

Short Title: No Pass/No Drive.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Winner.

Referred to: Education.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE HIGH SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN TO PASS IN HIGH SCHOOL TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR DRIVERS LICENSES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-9 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(i) The Division shall not issue a license to a person who is under 18 years of age and who:

(1) Is enrolled in a public or private school but is not maintaining passing grades in enough subjects to attain normal graduation; or

(2) Is not enrolled in a public or private school and

a. Is not a high school graduate,

b. Is not enrolled full time in a vocational course of study at an institution within the community college system, or

c. Has not successfully completed a vocational course of study at an institution within the community college system.

The principal of each public and private school in the State shall notify the Division, as provided in G.S. 115C-288(g), 115C-548.1, and 115C-556.1, of any student between the ages of 15 and 18 who drops out of school or is not maintaining passing grades in enough subjects to attain normal graduation."

Sec. 2. G.S. 20-16(a) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(12) Is under 18 years of age and who:

a. Is enrolled in a public or private school but is not maintaining passing grades in enough subjects to attain normal graduation; or
or

- 1 b. Is not enrolled in a public or private school and
2 1. Is not a high school graduate,
3 2. Is not enrolled full time in a vocational course of study at
4 an institution within the community college system, or
5 3. Has not successfully completed a vocational course of
6 study at an institution within the community college
7 system.

8 The principal of each public and private school in the State shall notify the Division,
9 as provided in G.S. 115C-288(g), 115C-548.1, and 115C-556.1, of any student between
10 the ages of 15 and 18 who drops out of school or is not maintaining passing grades in
11 enough subjects to attain normal graduation."

12 Sec. 3. G.S. 115C-288 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

13 "(g) To Notify the Division of Motor Vehicles of Students Who Are Ineligible for
14 Drivers Licenses. - The principal shall notify the Division of Motor Vehicles
15 immediately of all students between the ages of 15 and 18 who drop out of school. The
16 principal shall notify the Division at the end of each semester of all students between
17 the ages of 15 and 18 who are not maintaining passing grades in enough subjects to
18 attain normal graduation."

19 Sec. 4. Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
20 section to read:

21 "§ 115C-548.1. Notification of the Division of Motor Vehicles of students who are
22 ineligible for drivers licenses.-The principal shall notify the Division of
23 Motor Vehicles immediately of all students between the ages of 15 and 18
24 who drop out of school. The principal shall notify the Division at the end
25 of each semester of all students between the ages of 15 and 18 who are
26 not maintaining passing grades in enough subjects to attain normal
27 graduation; if the school year is not divided into two semesters, the
28 principal shall so notify the Division of Motor Vehicles when half of the
29 school year has been completed and after the end of the school year."

30 Sec. 5. Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new
31 section to read:

32 "§ 115C-556.1. Notification of the Division of Motor Vehicles of students who are
33 ineligible for drivers licenses.-The principal shall notify the Division of
34 Motor Vehicles immediately of all students between the ages of 15 and 18
35 who drop out of school. The principal shall notify the Division at the end
36 of each semester of all students between the ages of 15 and 18 who are
37 not maintaining passing grades in enough subjects to attain normal
38 graduation; if the school year is not divided into two semesters, the
39 principal shall so notify the Division of Motor Vehicles when half of the
40 school year has been completed and after the end of the school year."

41 Sec. 6. Sections 1 and 2 of this act become effective July 1, 1991. Sections
42 3, 4, and 5 of this act are effective upon ratification.