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HOUSE BILL 1002

Short Title: Special Ed. Drivers Ed. Age.	(Public)
Sponsors: Representatives Jack Hunt; Holt and J. Preston.	
Referred to: Education.	

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE AGE FOR RECEIVING DRIVER EDUCATION IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-216(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Course of Training and Instruction Required in Public High Schools. – The State Board of Education and local boards of education are required to provide as a part of the program of the public high schools in this State a course of training and instruction in the operation of motor vehicles, in accordance with G.S. 20-88.1. The State Board and local boards are required to make this course of training to children with special needs available until they graduate from or leave public high school, regardless of age. For the purpose of this section, 'children with special needs' are as defined in G.S. 115C-109, excluding the academically gifted and the pregnant."

Sec. 2. G.S. 20-88.1 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(d) The State Board of Education shall ensure that the program of driver education is made available to children with special needs until they graduate from or leave public high school regardless of age. For purposes of this subsection, 'children with special needs' are as defined in G.S. 115C-109, excluding the academically gifted and the pregnant."

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.