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SENATE BILL 1117\*

Short Title: NC Stds. Bd. for Public School Admin.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Dannelly, Hartsell, Hobbs, Lucas, Perdue, Plexico, Winner; Albertson, Martin of Guilford, Warren, Cooper, Martin of Pitt, and Parnell.

Referred to: Education/Higher Education.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO THE LAWS GOVERNING THE STANDARDS BOARD FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION AND THE PUBLIC SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR EXAM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-290.5 reads as rewritten:

"§ 115C-290.5. Powers and duties of the Board; development of the North Carolina Public School Administrator Exam.

(a) The Standards Board shall administer this Article. In fulfilling this duty, the Standards Board shall:

(1) ~~Develop~~ In accordance with subsection (c) of this section, develop and implement a North Carolina Public School Administrator Exam, based on the professional standards established by the Standards Board.

(2) Establish and collect an application fee not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00), and an exam fee not to exceed one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00). Fees collected under this Article shall be credited to the General Fund as nontax revenue.

- 1 (3) Review the educational achievements of an applicant to take the exam  
2 to determine whether the achievements meet the requirements set by  
3 G.S. 115C-290.7.
- 4 (4) Notify the State Board of Education of the names and addresses of the  
5 persons who passed the exam and are thereby recommended to be  
6 certified as public school administrators by the State Board of  
7 Education.
- 8 (5) Maintain accounts and records in accordance with the Executive Budget  
9 Act, Article 1 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes.
- 10 (6) Adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 150B of the General Statutes to  
11 implement this Article.
- 12 (7) Submit an annual report by December 1 of each year to the Joint  
13 Legislative Education Oversight Committee of its activities during the  
14 preceding year, together with any recommendations and findings  
15 regarding improvement of the profession of public school  
16 administration.

17 (b) The Board may adopt a seal and affix it to any documents issued by the Board.

18 (c) The Standards Board shall submit its proposed exam to the State Board. The  
19 State Board shall adopt or reject the proposal. The State Board shall not make any  
20 substantive changes to any exam that it adopts. If the State Board rejects the proposal, it  
21 shall state with specificity its reasons for rejection; the Standards Board then may prepare  
22 another proposed exam and submit it to the State Board. If the State Board rejects the  
23 proposed exam on its second submission, the State Board may develop and adopt an  
24 exam by December 1, 1997. The General Assembly urges the State Board to utilize the  
25 Standards Board's proposed exam to the maximum extent that it is consistent with the  
26 State Board's policies if the State Board develops and adopts an exam. After an exam has  
27 been adopted, the Standards Board may submit suggested changes to the State Board for  
28 its approval."

29 Sec. 2. G.S. 115C-290.7(a)reads as rewritten:

30 "**§ 115C-290.7. Recommendation by the Standards Board.**

31 (a) The Standards Board shall recommend for certification by the State Board an  
32 individual who submits a complete application to the Standards Board and satisfies all of  
33 the following requirements:

- 34 (1) Pays the application fee established by the Standards Board.
- 35 (2) Pays the exam fee established by the Standards Board.
- 36 (3) Has a bachelors degree ~~from an acerredited college or university and has a~~  
37 ~~graduate~~ and a masters degree from an accredited college or accredited  
38 university and has completed a public school administration program  
39 that meets the public school administrator program approval standards  
40 set by the State Board of Education.
- 41 (4) Passes the exam."

42 Sec. 3. G.S. 115C-290.8 reads as rewritten:

43 "**§ 115C-290.8. Exemptions from requirements.**

1       The requirements of this Article do not apply to a person who, at any time during the  
2 five years preceding January 1, 1998, was engaged in ~~public~~-school administration at  
3 ~~either a public school in North Carolina or a school in North Carolina operated by the United~~  
4 ~~States government.~~ while in possession of an active State administrator/supervisor  
5 certificate. A person who is exempt from the requirements of this Article but applies to  
6 the Standards Board under this Article shall be subject to the Article."

7           Sec. 4. Sections 2 and 3 of this act become effective January 1, 1998. The  
8 remainder of this act is effective upon ratification.