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SENATE BILL 1115
Education/Public Instruction Committee Substitute Adopted 5/16/07
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Short Title: Pilot Program for Lateral Entry Teachers.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 22, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT DIRECTING THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A
3 PILOT PROGRAM FOR LATERAL ENTRY TEACHERS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** The State Board of Education shall adopt policies and
6 procedures to pilot innovative programs for lateral entry teachers. A local school
7 administrative unit, community college, or college or university may be granted
8 approval by the State Board of Education to pilot an innovative program for lateral entry
9 teachers. The Department of Public Instruction shall issue a license to all individuals
10 who complete these approved programs who are recommended by the local school
11 administrative unit, community college, or college or university and who otherwise
12 meet licensure requirements. The policies and procedures shall be adopted no later than
13 December 15, 2007.

14 If a lateral entry teacher leaves a unit with an approved innovative program
15 before completing the program and is hired to teach in another local school
16 administrative unit in the State, that teacher shall receive credit for any work completed
17 as part of the program.

18 **SECTION 2.** The State Board of Education shall report to the Joint
19 Legislative Education Oversight Committee on the effectiveness of the pilot innovative
20 programs by October 15, 2010. The reports shall include any recommendations
21 regarding the continuation, expansion, or elimination of the pilot program.

22 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.