GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

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S SENATE BILL 1291

Short Title: School Leadership Training Program. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Swindell; Atwater and Malone.

Referred to: Appropriations/Base Budget.

March 26, 2007

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR A SCHOOL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1.(a) There is appropriated from the General Fund to the State Board of Education the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and the sum of two hundred seventy-six thousand dollars (\$276,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to develop and implement a new Superintendents' Professional Development Program. The purpose of the Program shall be to train instructors from each of the State's eight existing Regional Education Service Alliances (RESAs) in order that those RESAs may then provide training for superintendents in competencies including:

(1) Budgeting.

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- (2) Human Resources Management.
- (3) Instructional Leadership.
- (4) Facilities Management.
- (5) Performance Evaluation.
- (6) Data-driven Decision Making.

In developing and implementing the Program, the Board shall collaborate with the Principals' Executive Program (PEP) of the Center for School Leadership Development at The University of North Carolina.

SECTION 1.(b) Of the funds appropriated in subsection (a) of this section, the sum of forty-four thousand dollars (\$44,000) shall support the Board's development of the Program, and training and certification of RESA instructors. The Board shall place the sum of two hundred fifty-six thousand dollars (\$256,000) in reserve for allocation to the RESAs, on the basis of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) per superintendent trained. In order to be eligible for allocation from the reserve, at least one prospective instructor from each RESA must complete the Board-designed instructor training and be certified by the Board as ready to deliver or coordinate delivery of the Program at the RESA.

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SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.