

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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SENATE BILL 515

Short Title: Driver Education Funding. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Smith-Ingram (Primary Sponsor); Robinson, Van Duyn, and Waddell.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 26, 2015

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO RESTORE THE FUNDING FROM THE HIGHWAY FUND FOR THE  
3 DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF  
4 PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Subsections (a) and (b) of Section 8.15 of S.L. 2014-100 are  
7 repealed.

8 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 115C-216(g) reads as rewritten:

9 "(g) Fee for Instruction. – The local boards of education ~~shall fund driver education~~  
10 ~~courses from funds available to them and~~ may charge each student participating in a driver  
11 education course a fee of up to sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) to offset the costs of providing the  
12 training and instruction."

13 **SECTION 3.** Notwithstanding G.S. 143C-5-2, there is appropriated from the  
14 Highway Fund to the Department of Public Instruction the sum of twenty-six million four  
15 hundred sixty-one thousand eight hundred forty-three dollars (\$26,461,843) in recurring funds  
16 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year for the purpose of covering expenses incurred by the State in  
17 carrying out the provisions of the driver education program administered by the Department of  
18 Public Instruction in accordance with G.S. 115C-215.

19 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

