

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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CHAPTER 414
HOUSE BILL 1011

AN ACT TO REPLACE THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CENTRAL PAYROLL WITH A
UNIFORM EDUCATION REPORTING SYSTEM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-12(18) is rewritten to read:

"(18) Duty to Develop and Implement a Uniform Education Reporting System, Which Shall Include Standards and Procedures for Collecting Fiscal and Personnel Information.

- a. The State Board of Education shall adopt standards and procedures for local school administrative units to provide timely, accurate, and complete fiscal and personnel information, including payroll information, on all school personnel. All local school administrative units shall comply with these standards and procedures by the beginning of the 1987-88 school year.
- b. The State Board of Education shall develop and implement a Uniform Education Reporting System that shall include requirements for collecting, processing, and reporting fiscal, personnel, and student data, by means of electronic transfer of data files from local computers to the State Computer Center through the State Communications Network. All local school administrative units shall comply with the requirements of the Uniform Education Reporting System by the beginning of the 1989-90 school year".

Sec. 2. G.S. 115C-47(21) is rewritten to read:

"(21) It is the duty of every local board of education to provide for the prompt monthly payment of all salaries due teachers and other school officials and employees, and of all current bills and other necessary operating expenses. All salaries and bills shall be paid as provided by law for disbursing State and local funds.

The local board shall determine salary schedules of employees pursuant to the provisions of G.S. 115C-273, 115C-285(b), 115C-302(c), and 115C-316(b).

The authority for boards of education to issue salary vouchers to all school employees, whether paid from State or local funds, shall be a monthly payroll prepared on forms approved by the State Board of Education and containing all information required by the controller of the State Board of Education. This monthly payroll shall be signed by the principal of each school."

Sec. 3. Section 145(b) of Chapter 757 of the 1985 Session Laws is repealed.

Sec. 4. G.S. 115C-272(b)(1) is amended by deleting the first two sentences and substituting:

"Salary payments to superintendents shall be made monthly on the basis of each calendar month of service."

Sec. 5. G.S. 115C-285(a)(1) is amended by deleting the second and third sentences and substituting:

"Salary payments to classified principals and State-allotted supervisors shall be made monthly at the end of each calendar month of service."

Sec. 6. G.S. 115C-302(a)(1) is amended by deleting the the second sentence and the language before the proviso in the third sentence and substituting:

"Salary payments to regular State-allotted teachers shall be made monthly at the end of each calendar month of service:".

Sec. 7. G.S. 115C-302(a)(2) is amended by deleting the second sentence and language before the proviso in the third sentence and substituting:

"Salary payments to these occupational education teachers shall be made monthly at the end of each calendar month of service:".

Sec. 8. G.S. 115C-316(a)(1) is amended by deleting the first and second sentences and substituting:

"Salary payments to employees other than superintendents, supervisors, and classified principals employed on an annual basis shall be made monthly at the end of each calendar month of service."

Sec. 9. G.S. 115C-316(a)(2) is amended by deleting the first and second sentences and substituting:

"Salary payments to employees other than those covered in G.S. 115C-272(b)(1), 115C-285(a)(1) and (2), 115C-302(a)(1) and (2), and 115C-316(a)(1) shall be made at a time determined by each local board of education."

Sec. 10. Section 145(l) of Chapter 757 of the 1985 Session Laws is repealed.

Sec. 11. G.S. 115C-14 is repealed.

Sec. 12. G.S. 115C-29(b)(11a) is rewritten to read:

"(11a) He shall have responsibility for documenting, issuing and updating the standards and procedures for local school administrative units to provide timely, accurate, and complete fiscal and personnel information, including payroll information, to the State Board of Education.

He shall have responsibility for the implementation and maintenance of the Uniform Education Reporting System that shall include requirements for collecting, processing, and reporting fiscal, personnel, and student data, by means of electronic transfer of data files from local computers to the State Computer Center through the State Communications Network."

Sec. 13. The Controller of the State Board of Education shall report his progress in implementing the Uniform Education Reporting System, which shall include standards and procedures for collecting fiscal, personnel, and payroll information, to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations and to the Fiscal Research Division in September 1987, December 1987, and May 1988.

The Controller of the State Board of Education shall also report to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the Fiscal Research Division, and the Legislative Automated Systems Division, in August 1987, on the printed and electronic formats in which he intends to provide to the General Assembly the payroll and personnel information compiled with the Uniform Education Reporting System.

Sec. 14. The second paragraph of G.S. 115C-438 is amended by adding a new sentence at the end to read:

"The Controller shall withhold money for payment of salaries for the superintendent, finance officer, and all other administrative officers charged with providing payroll information pursuant to G.S. 115C-12(18), if the local school administrative unit fails to provide the payroll information to the State Board in a timely fashion and substantially in accordance with the standards set by the State Board."

Sec. 15. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 18th day of June, 1987.