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Short Title: Business Contributions to Education.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Nesbitt; Bowman, Hensley, and H. Hunter.

Referred to: Education.

April 1, 1991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY TO FACILITATE  
STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(34) To encourage the business community to facilitate student achievement. – Local boards of education, in consultation with local business leaders, shall develop voluntary guidelines relating to after-school employment. The guidelines may include an agreement to limit the number of hours a student may work or to tie the number of hours a student may work to his academic performance, school attendance, and economic need. The General Assembly finds that local boards of education do not currently have information regarding how many of their students are employed after school and how many hours they work; the General Assembly urges local boards of education to compile this critical information so that the State can determine to what extent these students' work affects their school performance.

Local boards of education shall work with local business leaders to encourage employers to provide parents or guardians with time to attend conferences with their children's teachers.

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1           The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall provide guidance and  
2           technical assistance to the local boards of education on carrying out the  
3           provisions of this subdivision.

4           Local boards of education shall report their actions taken to  
5           implement this subdivision to the State Board of Education before  
6           April 1, 1992, and the State Board of Education shall report the actions  
7           taken statewide to implement this subdivision to the Joint Legislative  
8           Education Oversight Committee before May 1, 1992. The General  
9           Assembly directs The University of North Carolina Board of  
10           Governors to study the effects of after school employment on the  
11           academic performance of North Carolina high school students and to  
12           report the results of this study to the Joint Legislative Education  
13           Oversight Committee before May 1, 1992."

14           Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.