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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE THE EDUCATION LEADERSHIP COMMISSION AND TO
STUDY THE TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL
ADMINISTRATORS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. (a) The Education Leadership Commission is hereby created. The Commission shall consist of 14 members to be named as follows: two Senators, one public school superintendent, one business leader, and one member of the public at large, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; two Representatives, one public school principal, one business leader, and one member of the public at large, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; one member of the State Board of Education appointed by the Chairman of the State Board of Education; one member of the Board of Governors, appointed by the Chairman of The Board of Governors; one representative of The University of North Carolina system, appointed by the President of The University of North Carolina system; one representative of the Department of Public Instruction, appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each designate one member of the Commission to serve as cochairmen.

(b) The Commission shall:

- (1) Examine existing and alternative methods, including testing, for determining the competence of all public school administrators;

- 1 (2) Examine certification requirements for public school administrators,
2 and ways to strengthen those requirements;
- 3 (3) Study the Principals' Executive Program, the Superintendents'
4 Executive Program and any other training programs leading to
5 certification for public school administrators;
- 6 (4) Examine recruitment and selection procedures for public school
7 administrators in light of projected supply and demand over the next
8 10 years; and
- 9 (5) Make recommendations concerning more rigorous certification
10 requirements and improved support systems for public school
11 administrators.

12 (c) The Commission shall submit a final report of its findings and
13 recommendations to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on or before
14 March 1, 1992. The Commission shall terminate upon filing its final report.

15 (d) The Commission, while in the discharge of its official duties, may exercise all
16 the powers provided in G.S. 120-19, and G.S. 120-19.1 through G.S. 120-19.4. The
17 Commission may meet at any time upon the call of the Chairperson. The Commission
18 may meet in the Legislative Building or the Legislative Office Building.

19 (e) Members of the Commission who are legislators shall receive subsistence
20 and travel expenses at the rates set forth in G.S. 120-3.1. Members who are public
21 officers and employees shall be compensated in accordance with the provisions of G.S.
22 138-6. All other members shall be compensated in accordance with the provisions of
23 G.S. 138-5.

24 (f) The Commission may contract for professional, clerical, or consultant
25 services as provided by G.S. 120-32.02. The Legislative Services Commission, through
26 the Legislative Administrative Officer, shall assign professional staff to assist in the
27 work of the Commission. The Supervisors of Clerks in the Senate and House of
28 Representatives shall assign clerical staff to the Commission, upon the direction of the
29 Legislative Services Commission. The expenses relating to clerical employees shall be
30 borne by the Commission.

31 (g) The Commission may apply for, receive, and accept grants and
32 contributions from any source of money, labor, or any other thing of value, to be used
33 for the purposes of this section. Such grants or contributions shall be subject to the
34 provisions of G.S. 120-32.03.

35 (h) When a vacancy occurs in the membership of the Commission, the
36 vacancy shall be filled by the same appointing officer who made the initial appointment
37 within 30 days.

38 (i) All State departments and agencies, all local governments and their
39 subdivisions, and all institutions approved to train public school administrators shall
40 furnish the Commission with any information in their possession or available to them
41 which will aid the Commission in their work.

42 Sec. 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the General
43 Assembly the sum of \$25,000 for the 1991-92 fiscal year for the Education Leadership
44 Commission created by this act.

1 Sec. 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1991.