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Short Title: Extended School Services.

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Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 25, 1993

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE SCHOOLS TO IMPLEMENT EXTENDED SERVICES
3 PROGRAMS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. Article 16 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is amended by
6 adding a new Part to read:

7 **"PART 7. EXTENDED SERVICES PROGRAMS.**

8 **"§ 115C-238.30. Purpose.**

9 The General Assembly believes that all children can learn. It is the intent of the
10 General Assembly that the mission of the public school community is to challenge with
11 high expectations each child to learn, to achieve, and to fulfill his or her potential. With
12 that mission as a guide, local school administrative units are encouraged to provide
13 timely assistance to students who are at risk of school failure through the extended
14 services programs described in this Part.

15 **"§ 115C-238.31. Extended services programs.**

16 (a) Local school administrative units are encouraged to implement extended
17 services programs that will expand students' opportunities for educational success
18 through high-quality, integrated access to instructional programming during nonschool
19 hours. Extended services programs may be incorporated into building-level plans
20 developed in accordance with G.S. 115C-238.3. To implement extended services
21 programs, local school administrative units may request waivers of State laws,
22 regulations, and policies in accordance with Part 4 of this Article. Calendar alternatives
23 include, but are not limited to, after-school hours, before-school hours, evening school,

1 Saturday school, summer school, and year-round school. Instructional programming
2 may include, but is not limited to, tutoring, direct instruction, enrichment activities,
3 study skills, and reinforcement projects.

4 (b) Extended services programs shall be targeted primarily toward students who
5 perform significantly below their age-level peers; however, these programs may be
6 established for students who are achieving at or above grade level.

7 (c) Extended services programs should be accelerated and based on needs
8 assessments of the students in the program. The programs shall build on, and be fully
9 integrated with, existing classroom and school activities.

10 (d) Extended services programs may be based in schools, collaboratively
11 between schools, or in other community-based locations.

12 **"§ 115C-238.32. Needs assessment; community-based collaboration.**

13 (a) Before implementing an extended services program, the local school
14 administrative unit shall conduct a needs assessment within the unit and in collaboration
15 with local governmental and nongovernmental agencies to identify students, schools,
16 and communities that need extended services. The needs assessment shall include an
17 evaluation of existing school and community resources and programs and shall identify
18 how instruction in the core curriculum could be improved to meet the needs of children
19 at risk of school failure.

20 (b) Goals and expected outcomes for the program shall be based on the needs
21 assessment.

22 **"§ 115C-238.33. Plan for effective use of fiscal resources; comprehensive plan to**
23 **implement extended services programs.**

24 (a) The State Board of Education shall develop model plans which show how to
25 (i) deliver comprehensive extended services; (ii) effectively use all fiscal resources,
26 including federal funds, and other resources under its control that support the goals of
27 this Part; and (iii) maintain quality program evaluation. The model plans shall be
28 communicated to local units and building-level committees.

29 (b) The State Board of Education shall report on the plans developed under this
30 section no later than December 15, 1993, to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight
31 Committee."

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