

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1036

Short Title: Teaching of Evolution.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Capps; Baker, Davis, Eddins, and Gulley.

Referred to: Education.

April 14, 1999

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT EVOLUTION IS TAUGHT AS SCIENCE, NOT AS IDEOLOGY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The State Board of Education and the local boards of education shall ensure that evolution is taught as science, not as ideology. The State Board of Education and the local boards of education shall encourage teachers to make distinctions between the multiple meanings of "evolution", to distinguish between philosophical materialism and authentic science, and to include unanswered questions and unresolved problems in their presentations.

Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999, and applies beginning with the 1999-2000 school year.