

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

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HOUSE BILL 1826

Short Title: School Counselors/Legislative Study.

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Sponsors: Representatives Insko; Earle and Luebke.

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Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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May 30, 2000

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT  
2 COMMITTEE TO STUDY ISSUES RELATED TO COUNSELORS IN THE  
3 PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE STUDY.  
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. The Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee shall study  
7 the issues related to counselors in the public schools. In the course of the study, the  
8 Committee shall consider:

- 9 (1) Whether the counselor-student ratio should be reduced from 1:450 to  
10 1:250 and the cost of implementing this reduction;  
11 (2) Whether counselors should be paid on the school psychologist salary  
12 schedule and the cost of implementing this salary increase; and  
13 (3) Other issues related to counselors in the public schools.

14 The Committee shall report the results of its study to the 2001 General  
15 Assembly.

16 Section 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the General  
17 Assembly the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for the 2000-2001 fiscal year for  
18 the study established in Section 1 of this act.

19 Section 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2000.