

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2001**

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**SENATE BILL 2  
Corrected Copy 1/30/01  
Judiciary I Committee Substitute Adopted 2/20/01  
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Short Title: Authorize Lottery Referendum.

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January 25, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO SUBMIT AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM TO THE VOTERS OF THE  
3 STATE DURING THE 2002 STATEWIDE GENERAL ELECTION ON  
4 ESTABLISHING AN EDUCATION LOTTERY AND PROVIDING THAT ANY  
5 ACTION BROUGHT REGARDING THIS ACT SHALL BE BROUGHT IN THE  
6 SUPERIOR COURT OF WAKE COUNTY.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8       **SECTION 1.** The question of whether the voters of North Carolina want the  
9 General Assembly to enact an Education Lottery shall be submitted to the qualified  
10 voters of the State at an election on the question to be held at the 2002 statewide general  
11 election.

12       **SECTION 2.** If the General Assembly enacts an Education Lottery, the net  
13 proceeds from the Education Lottery shall be used to enable all North Carolina children  
14 to have the education they deserve. The funds shall be used to support a voluntary  
15 statewide prekindergarten program to prepare at-risk four-year-olds for school in order  
16 to close the gap that now exists, to reduce class sizes in our public schools and for costs  
17 associated therewith, and for such other educational needs as may be identified.

18       The funds from the Education Lottery shall supplement and not supplant  
19 other State funds appropriated for education.

20       **SECTION 3.** The election shall be conducted under the laws then governing  
21 elections in the State. Ballots, voting systems, or both may be used in accordance with  
22 Chapter 163 of the General Statutes. The question to be used in the voting systems and  
23 ballots shall be:

"[ ] YES [ ] NO

North Carolina should have an Education Lottery."

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1                   **SECTION 4.** Any action brought regarding this act shall be brought in the  
2 Superior Court of Wake County, which shall be the exclusive forum for hearing that  
3 action.

4                   **SECTION 5.** This act is effective when it becomes law.