

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1752

Short Title: Local Policies to Prevent Bullying in Schools. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Insko; Weiss and Luebke.

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

May 31, 2004

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT DIRECTING LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT POLICIES
3 ON BULLYING.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
6 "**§ 115C-47. Powers and duties generally.**

7 In addition to the powers and duties designated in G.S. 115C-36, local boards of
8 education shall have the power or duty:

9 ...

10 (44) To Establish a Policy on Bullying. – Local boards of education shall
11 adopt a policy to address bullying. The policy shall include a clear
12 definition of what constitutes bullying, the steps the schools will take
13 to inform students, staff, and parents about the causes of bullying
14 behavior, strategies for preventing bullying including counseling
15 services, procedures for responding to allegations of bullying, the
16 consequences for engaging in bullying, and the steps the schools will
17 take to make students and staff aware of the policy."

18 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
19 Department of Public Instruction the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for
20 the 2004-2005 fiscal year to set standards and guidelines for local boards to follow in
21 adopting policies on bullying.

22 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2004.