GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

H HOUSE DRH60346-LE-275 (4/15)

Short Title: Childhood Reading Intervention Initiative. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Blue.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR AN EARLY CHILDHOOD READING
INTERVENTION INITIATIVE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction the sum of twelve million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$12,750,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and the sum of twelve million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$12,750,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. The State Board of Education shall use these funds to develop and implement an early childhood reading intervention initiative. The initiative shall:

- (1) Identify students who cannot read at the end of the first grade and other elementary school students who are reading below grade level, and
- 14 (2) Provide them with assistance they need to read at grade level.
- 15 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.