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Short Title: Childhood Reading Intervention Initiative.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Blue; Brown, Faison, and Luebke.

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 10, 2007

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
- (2) Provide them with assistance they need to read at grade level.

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.