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SENATE BILL 450
Education/Higher Education Committee Substitute Adopted 5/5/21

Short Title: Carbon Monoxide Detectors/School Bldgs. (Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 5, 2021

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM AND
3 DETECTION SYSTEMS IN EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-12 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

6 "(47) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules applicable to all public school
7 units that require existing school buildings to be equipped with carbon
8 monoxide alarm and detection systems in accordance with the requirements
9 for new buildings in Section 915 of the North Carolina State Building Code,
10 Fire Prevention Code. The installation of carbon monoxide alarm and
11 detection systems shall be permitted, installed, and inspected as required by
12 the North Carolina State Building Code. An existing school building shall not
13 be required to be equipped with a carbon monoxide alarm and detection
14 system if the system would not be required for a new building under Section
15 915 of the North Carolina State Building Code, Fire Prevention Code."

16 **SECTION 2.** The State Board of Education may adopt temporary rules to implement
17 the requirements of this act. The temporary and permanent rules required by G.S. 115C-12(47),
18 as enacted by Section 1 of this act, shall ensure that the requirement for existing school buildings
19 to have carbon monoxide alarm and detection systems takes effect no later than July 1, 2023.

20 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.



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