

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
1971 SESSION

CHAPTER 90  
HOUSE BILL 11

AN ACT TO AMEND G.S. 115-36(c) RELATING TO THE LENGTH OF A SCHOOL  
TERM IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

**Section 1.** G.S. 115-36(c), as it appears in Volume 3A, 1966 Replacement, of the General Statutes of North Carolina, is amended by rewriting said section so that the same shall hereafter read as follows:

"§ 115-36(c). **School Term.** — There shall be operated in every school in the State a uniform school term for instructing pupils of 180 days: Provided, that the State Board of Education, or the board of education of any administrative unit with the approval of the State Board of Education, may suspend the operation of any school or schools in such units, not to exceed a period of 60 days of said term of 180 days, when in the sound judgment of the State Board of Education, or the board of education of any administrative unit with the approval of the State Board of Education, conditions justify such suspension. Provided, further, that when the operation of any school is suspended the period of suspension shall be deducted from the total of 180 days included for each school year operation, all teachers shall be entitled to normal pay for the days of school of the suspended term, not to exceed a period of 15 school days during the school term.

Full authority is hereby given to the State Board of Education during any period of emergency to order general, and if necessary, extended recesses or adjournment of the public schools in any section of the State where the planting or harvesting of crops or any emergency conditions make such action necessary."

**Sec. 2.** This act is retroactive to the beginning of the 1970-71 school year.

**Sec. 3.** This act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 17th day of March, 1971.