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Short Title: Education Information Exchange.

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Sponsors: Representatives Barnes, Black, Fussell, Gray, Hege, McAllister, Rhodes, Rogers; Bowman, Ethridge, Gottovi, Jeffus, Miller, and Oldham.

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Referred to: Education.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF  
2 NORTH CAROLINA, THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES,  
3 THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND THE STATE'S PRIVATE  
4 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO COOPERATE IN AN  
5 EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION.  
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7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 Section 1. Chapter 500, Section 37 of the 1989 Session Laws, is repealed.

9 Sec. 2. G.S. 116-11 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

10 "(10a) The Board of Governors, the State Board of Community Colleges,  
11 and the State Board of Education, in consultation with private  
12 higher education institutions defined in G.S. 116-22(1), shall plan  
13 a system to provide an exchange of information among the public  
14 schools and institutions of higher education to be implemented no  
15 later than June 30, 1995. As used in this section, 'institutions of  
16 higher education' shall mean public higher education institutions  
17 defined in G.S. 116-143.1(a)(3), and those private higher  
18 education institutions defined in G.S. 116-22(1) that choose to  
19 participate in the information exchange. The information shall  
20 include:

21 a. The number of high school graduates who apply to, are  
22 admitted to, and enroll in institutions of higher education;

1           b. College performance of high school graduates for the year  
2           immediately following high school graduation including each  
3           student's: need for remedial coursework at the institution of  
4           higher education that the student attends; performance in  
5           standard freshmen courses; and continued enrollment in a  
6           subsequent year in the same or another institution of higher  
7           education in the State;

8           c. The progress of students from one institution of higher education to  
9           another; and

10          d. Consistent and uniform public school course information  
11          including course code, name, and description.

12 The Department of Public Instruction shall generate and the local school administrative  
13 units shall use standardized transcripts in an automated format for applicants to higher  
14 education institutions. The standardized transcript shall include grade point average,  
15 class rank, end-of-course test scores, and uniform course information including course  
16 code, name, units earned toward graduation, and credits earned for admission from an  
17 institution of higher education. The grade point average shall be calculated by a  
18 standard method to be devised by the institutions of higher education."

19          Sec. 3. G.S. 115C-12(18) is amended by adding a new sub-subdivision to  
20 read:

21           " c. The State Board of Education shall comply with the provisions  
22           of G.S. 116-11(10a) to plan and implement an exchange of  
23           information between the public schools and the institutions of  
24           higher education in the State."

25          Sec. 4. G.S. 115D-5 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

26          "(a2) The State Board of Community Colleges shall comply with the provisions of  
27 G.S. 116-11(10a) to plan and implement an exchange of information between the public  
28 schools and the institutions of higher education in the State."

29          Sec. 5. The State Board of Education shall plan how to include the  
30 information described in G.S. 116-11(10a)a. and b. in the annual report card described  
31 in G.S. 115C-12(9)c1. The State Board of Education shall make an interim report on  
32 progress made to include this information in the annual report card prior to December 1,  
33 1992, to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee. A final report shall be  
34 submitted to the General Assembly prior to May 1, 1993.

35          Sec. 6. A joint report of progress made to develop a system to provide an  
36 exchange of information shall be made to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight  
37 Committee no later than February 15, 1993, and annually thereafter.

38          Sec. 7. This act is effective upon ratification.