

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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CHAPTER 142
HOUSE BILL 971

AN ACT TO APPROVE A SYSTEM TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A SYSTEM
FOR BUILDING IMPROVEMENT REPORTS.

Whereas, the 1991 General Assembly charged the State Board of Education to develop a system of school building improvement reports for each school building; and

Whereas, the building improvement reports are intended to regularly and systematically report school progress to the parents and citizens of the communities served by the schools; and

Whereas, the State Board of Education developed a system and reported its plan to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on December 1, 1992; and

Whereas, the 1991 General Assembly charged the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee to submit a proposed plan for school building reports to the 1993 General Assembly for its approval; and

Whereas, the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee reviewed the plan submitted by the State Board of Education which includes technical assistance by the Department of Public Instruction to local units so that those units, may by computer program use local test data to create unique reports for each school building; and

Whereas, according to the State Board Report all building reports will include the following minimum information:

Average daily attendance;

The number and percent of students in each of the following categories: race, gender, gifted, handicapped, and those educationally disadvantaged;

Number and types of staff members by category;

Student/teacher ratios;

Years of experience, types of degrees and certification of classroom teachers;

Parent education levels;

Percent of students eligible for free and reduced lunch;

Absentee rates;

Student performance;

Postgraduation performance;

School performance on Accountability Act goals;

Advanced placement performance and participation;

Diploma and certificate ratios; and

Graduation, retention, and dropout rates; and

Whereas, G.S. 115C-12(9) requires that the first building improvement reports shall be produced by local school units by March 15, 1995; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. The plan by the State Board of Education to develop and implement a system for building improvement reports is approved with the following modifications:

- (1) Performance data shall be disaggregated by race and by gender on each school building improvement report;
- (2) Progress made on each building's unique goals for qualitative improvements shall be emphasized in the development of the plan and reported by each building in its report; and
- (3) Reports shall be sent to the Department of Public Instruction by the local school administrative unit and shall be made available by the unit to any person requesting the report.

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 9th day of June, 1993.

Dennis A. Wicker
President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives