

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 1245*

Short Title: School Law Revision Com'n.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Grady, Black, Cummings, McMahan, Owens, Preston, and Rogers.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

May 20, 1996

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE JOINT
2 LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO IMPLEMENT THE
3 STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION'S RECOMMENDATION TO ESTABLISH A
4 COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND REVISE THE PUBLIC SCHOOL LAWS.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. (a) The Legislative Public School Law Revision Commission is
8 established. The Commission consists of the following 18 members:

9 (1) Six members, four of whom shall be members of the Senate, appointed
10 by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

11 (2) Six members, four of whom shall be members of the House of
12 Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of
13 Representatives.

14 (3) Six members, two of whom shall be members of the State Board of
15 Education, appointed by the State Board of Education.

16 Members appointed to the Commission shall serve until the Commission
17 makes its final report. Vacancies on the Commission shall be filled by the person who
18 made the initial appointment.

19 (b) The Commission shall:

- 1 (1) Conduct a comprehensive review of the public school laws.
2 (2) Identify laws that are outdated, vague, unnecessary, or otherwise in need
3 of revision.
4 (3) Revise the public laws so they are consistent with the North Carolina
5 Constitution and with the goals of the General Assembly and the State
6 Board of Education in order to improve student performance, increase
7 local flexibility and control, and promote economy and efficiency.

8 (c) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member of
9 the House of Representatives as cochair of the Commission, and the President Pro
10 Tempore of the Senate shall designate a member of the Senate as cochair of the
11 Commission. The Commission shall meet upon the call of the cochairs. A quorum of the
12 Commission is 10 members.

13 Members of the Commission shall receive per diem, subsistence, and travel
14 allowances in accordance with G.S. 120-3.1, 138-5, or 138-6, as appropriate.

15 The Legislative Administrative Officer shall assign as staff to the Commission
16 professional employees of the General Assembly. Clerical staff shall be assigned to the
17 Commission through the Offices of the Supervisor of Clerks of the Senate and Supervisor
18 of Clerks of the House of Representatives. The Commission may meet in the Legislative
19 Building or the Legislative Office Building with the approval of the Legislative Services
20 Commission.

21 (d) All State departments and agencies and local governments and their
22 subdivisions shall furnish the Commission with any information that is requested of them
23 by the Commission.

24 (e) The Commission shall submit a progress report to the Joint Legislative
25 Education Oversight Committee by January 15, 1997, and shall submit a final report to
26 the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by April 15, 1998. The
27 Commission shall terminate upon filing its final report.

28 Sec. 2. From funds appropriated to the General Assembly, the Legislative
29 Services Commission may allocate funds for the expenses of the Commission under this
30 act.

31 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.