

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003**

**SESSION LAW 2003-419
HOUSE BILL 797**

AN ACT DIRECTING THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ASSIST LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT OF 2001.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-12 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read: "**§ 115C-12. Powers and duties of the Board generally.**

The general supervision and administration of the free public school system shall be vested in the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education shall establish policy for the system of free public schools, subject to laws enacted by the General Assembly. The powers and duties of the State Board of Education are defined as follows:

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(30a) Duty to Assist Schools in Meeting Adequate Yearly Progress. – The State Board of Education shall:
- a. Identify which schools are meeting adequate yearly progress with subgroups as specified in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001;
 - b. Study the instructional, administrative, and fiscal practices and policies employed by the schools selected by the State Board of Education that are meeting adequate yearly progress specified in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001;
 - c. Create assistance models for each subgroup based on the practices and policies used in schools that are meeting adequate yearly progress. The schools of education at the constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina, in collaboration with the University of North Carolina Center for School Leadership Development, shall assist the State Board of Education in developing these models; and
 - d. Offer technical assistance based on these assistance models to local school administrative units not meeting adequate yearly progress, giving priority to those local school administrative units with high concentrations of schools that are not meeting adequate yearly progress. The State Board of Education shall determine the number of local school administrative units that can be served effectively in the first two years. This technical assistance shall include peer assistance and professional development by teachers, support personnel, and administrators in schools with subgroups that are meeting adequate yearly progress.

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" **SECTION 2.** The State Board of Education and the Department of Public Instruction shall report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by June 15, 2004, and December 15, 2005, on the implementation of Section 1 of this act. The report shall include:

- (1) The number and locations of schools meeting adequate yearly progress with the subgroups specified in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001;
- (2) The assistance models developed for each subgroup;
- (3) Technical assistance provided to a local school administrative unit or a school; and
- (4) The need for additional resources to implement this act on a statewide basis.

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 18th day of July, 2003.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

s/ Richard T. Morgan
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved 1:09 p.m. this 14th day of August, 2003