

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
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**SENATE DRS75106-LE-26B (12/27)**

Short Title: Funds for NC Literacy Connection Program. (Public)

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Sponsors: Senator Malone.

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Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE NC LITERACY CONNECTION PROGRAM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction the sum of six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) for the 2007-2008 fiscal year and the sum of six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to provide funding for the NC Literacy Connection Program. The NC Literacy Connection Program shall be administered by Project Enlightenment in Wake County.

The Program shall:

- (1) Develop a sustainable, statewide network of preschool early literacy leaders;
- (2) Provide research-based training and guided-model classroom observation to preschool early literacy leaders;
- (3) Support administrators in coaching preschool teachers on literacy instruction strategies;
- (4) Work with the More at Four program to provide training and technical support to all 100 counties;
- (5) Track and monitor, in cooperation with participants in the 100 counties, the effects of the Program; and
- (6) Report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on the effects of the Program by July 1, 2008, and July 1, 2009.

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2007.