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HOUSE DRH70347-LU-99 (03/07)

Short Title: Define Parenting Education/Family Law. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative M. Alexander.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO DEFINE PARENTING EDUCATION UNDER THE LAWS PERTAINING TO  
3 FAMILY LAW.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Chapter 50 of the General Statutes is amended by adding the  
6 following new Article to read:

7 "Article 6.

8 "Parenting Education.

9 "**§ 50-105. Parenting education.**

10 Wherever used or required pursuant to this Chapter, the following terms shall mean:

11 (1) Parenting education. – An organized, programmatic effort that is  
12 strengths-based and designed to support parents and other parenting partners  
13 while enhancing the parents or parenting partners' competence and  
14 confidence to improve child-rearing knowledge and skills, which may  
15 decrease child maltreatment, substance use and abuse in families and  
16 communities, and increase child resilience and school performance.  
17 Parenting education takes place within a variety of contexts, varies in  
18 duration and intensity, and is delivered independently or in collaboration  
19 with other support services by qualified parenting educators.

20 (2) Parenting educator. – A person who has been certified or credentialed by the  
21 North Carolina Parenting Education Network as having met both the  
22 experience and education requirements to provide parenting education."

23 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.



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