

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 728

Short Title: Salary of School Nurse w/Dev. Disability Cert. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Berger of Rockingham; and Bingham.

Referred to: Education/Higher Education.

March 22, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT DIRECTING THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PAY SCHOOL
2 NURSES WHO ARE CERTIFIED IN DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
3 NURSING THE SAME AMOUNT AS OTHER CERTIFIED NURSES.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-315(d1) reads as rewritten:

7 "(d1) Certification for School Nurses. – Notwithstanding any other provision of law
8 or rule, school nurses employed in the public schools prior to July 1, 1998, shall not be
9 required to be nationally certified to continue employment. School nurses not certified
10 by the American Nurses' Association or the National Association of School Nurses shall
11 continue to be paid based on the noncertified nurse salary range as established by the
12 State Board of Education.

13 A school nurse who is a registered nurse and is certified as a Certified
14 Developmental Disabilities Nurse by the Developmental Disabilities Nurses
15 Association, in collaboration with the National League for Nursing Test Service, shall
16 be paid on the certified nurse salary range as established by the State Board of
17 Education."

18 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.