

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 1684

Short Title: EVAAS Funds. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Glazier, Rapp, McLawhorn (Primary Sponsors); Fisher, Gill, Hughes, Insko, Lucas, Luebke, Parfitt, Tarleton, Weiss, Whilden, and Yongue.

Referred to: Appropriations.

May 13, 2010

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
3 INSTRUCTION TO ENSURE THAT EVAAS IS AVAILABLE IN EVERY SCHOOL
4 SYSTEM AND CHARTER SCHOOL IN NORTH CAROLINA.

5 Whereas, EVAAS, an educational value-added assessment system, is a powerful
6 tool to ensure all North Carolina students have maximum opportunities for learning; and

7 Whereas, EVAAS systematically evaluates policy and programs so that our
8 education dollars are spent appropriately and effectively; and

9 Whereas, EVAAS assists in determining how educational entities are influencing
10 student progress so that every student is benefited, regardless of achievement level; and

11 Whereas, EVAAS analyses follow the progress of individual students over time to
12 assess student progress at the district, school, and classroom levels and provide customized,
13 proactive trajectories for individual students toward critical academic benchmarks; and

14 Whereas, it is critical to North Carolina's education system that EVAAS continues to
15 be available in every district and charter school via a secure and user-friendly web application;

16 Now, therefore,

17 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

18 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
19 Public Instruction the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) for the 2010-2011 fiscal year to
20 ensure that EVAAS (Education Value Added Assessment System) is available to all local
21 school administrative units and charter schools. Funds appropriated for EVAAS shall not
22 revert, but shall be carried forward to the next fiscal year. It is the intent of the General
23 Assembly that EVAAS be used extensively throughout the State by teachers, administrators,
24 and appropriate support staff to assist all North Carolina students in reaching their highest
25 academic potential. Accordingly, the State Board of Education is directed to issue guidelines
26 explaining how all teachers can access and utilize EVAAS.

27 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2010.

