GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1991 SESSION

CHAPTER 331 HOUSE BILL 495

AN ACT REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF DUAL PERSONNEL EVALUATION PROCESSES FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-238.2(b) reads as rewritten:

- "(b) Local school administrative units that participate in the Performance-based Accountability Program:
 - (1) Are exempt from State requirements to submit reports and plans, other than local school improvement plans, to the Department of Public Education; they are not exempt from federal requirements to submit reports and plans to the Department.
 - (2) Are subject to the performance standards but not the opportunity standards or the staffing ratios of the State Accreditation Program. The performance standards in the State Accreditation Program, modified to reflect the results of end-of-course and end-of-grade tests, may serve as the basis for developing the student performance indicators adopted by the State Board of Education pursuant to G.S. 115C-238.1.
 - (3) May receive funds for differentiated pay for teachers and administrators, in accordance with G.S. 115C-238.4, if they elect to participate in a differentiated pay plan.
 - (4) May be allowed increased flexibility in the expenditure of State funds, in accordance with G.S. 115C-238.5.
 - (5) May be granted waivers of certain State laws, regulations, and policies that inhibit their ability to reach local accountability goals, in accordance with G.S. 115C-238.6(a).
 - (6) Shall continue to use the Teacher Performance Appraisal Instrument (TPAI) for evaluating beginning teachers during the first three years of their employment; they may, however, develop other evaluation approaches for teachers who have attained career status.

The Department of Public Instruction shall provide technical assistance, including the provision of model evaluation processes and instruments, to local school administrative units that elect to develop dual personnel evaluation processes. A dual personnel evaluation process includes (i) an evaluation designed to provide information to guide teachers in their professional growth and development, and (ii)

an evaluation to provide information to make personnel decisions pertaining to hiring, termination, promotion, and reassignment."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 19th day of June, 1991.

James C. Gardner
President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives