

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 1999

SESSION LAW 1999-163  
SENATE BILL 1093

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW TO ENSURE THAT ALL TEACHERS RECEIVE  
A DUTY FREE PERIOD EACH DAY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-301.1 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 115C-301.1. Duty free period.**

All full-time assigned classroom teachers shall be provided a daily duty free period during regular student contact hours. The duty free period shall be provided to the maximum extent that (i) the safety and proper supervision of children may allow during regular student contact hours and (ii) insofar as funds are provided for this purpose by the General Assembly. If the safety and supervision of children does not allow a daily duty free period during regular student contact hours for a given teacher, the funds provided by the General Assembly for the duty free period for that teacher shall revert to the general fund. Principals shall not unfairly burden a given teacher by making that teacher give up his or her duty free period on an ongoing, regular basis without the consent of the teacher."

Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999, and applies to all school years beginning with the 1999-2000 school year.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 31st day of May, 1999.

s/ Marc Basnight  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ James B. Black  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ James B. Hunt, Jr.  
Governor

Approved 5:30 p.m. this 8th day of June, 1999