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SENATE BILL 557

Short Title: Amend Report Date/NC Pre-K Funding Pilot. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Hise (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to: Education/Higher Education.

April 1, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DATE THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DIVISION OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EARLY EDUCATION, IS TO REPORT ON A PILOT PROGRAM FOR FUNDING OF THE NC PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 10.1(b) of S.L. 2012-142 reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 10.1.(b) The Division of Child Development and Early Education (Division) shall create a pilot program that provides funding for NC Pre-K classrooms on a per classroom basis. The pilot program shall include three different NC Pre-K contractual regions that are geographically diverse. The local NC Pre-K administrator shall contract with the provider for operation of a classroom established pursuant to the pilot program. The Division shall report to the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, the Senate Appropriations/Base Budget Committee on Health and Human Services, and the Fiscal Research Division on the pilot program no later than January 31, ~~2013~~2014. The report shall include the following:

- (1) The number of students served.
- (2) The amount of funds paid for each classroom.
- (3) The amount of funds paid per student.
- (4) The attendance information on students in the pilot program as compared to those students in a classroom having a traditional funding structure.
- (5) Information on the number of students and students' families using the Subsidized Early Education for Kids (SEEK) system.
- (6) A cost comparison of the classroom pilots to the average cost per student through the per student funding methodology."

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



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