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**SENATE BILL 400**

Short Title: Encourage Access to Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Barringer, Daniel, Newton (Primary Sponsors); McInnis, Rabon, Robinson, Smith-Ingram, and Woodard.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE ACCESS TO BOY SCOUTS AND GIRL SCOUTS  
3 ORGANIZATIONS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

6 "(62) To Encourage Access to Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts Organizations. – Local  
7 boards of education shall encourage schools to facilitate access for students  
8 to participate in activities provided by the Boy Scouts of America, and its  
9 affiliated North Carolina groups and councils, and the Girl Scouts of the  
10 United States of America, and its affiliated North Carolina groups and  
11 councils. Student participation in any activities offered by these  
12 organizations shall not interfere with instructional time during the school  
13 day."

14 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 115C-218.75 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

15 "(d) Access to Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts Organizations. – Charter schools are  
16 encouraged to facilitate access for students to participate in activities provided by the Boy  
17 Scouts of America, and its affiliated North Carolina groups and councils, and the Girl Scouts of  
18 the United States of America, and its affiliated North Carolina groups and councils. Student  
19 participation in any activities offered by these organizations shall not interfere with  
20 instructional time during the school day."

21 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 115C-238.66 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

22 "(13) Access to Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts organizations. – Regional schools are  
23 encouraged to facilitate access for students to participate in activities  
24 provided by the Boy Scouts of America, and its affiliated North Carolina  
25 groups and councils, and the Girl Scouts of the United States of America,  
26 and its affiliated North Carolina groups and councils. Student participation  
27 in any activities offered by these organizations shall not interfere with  
28 instructional time during the school day."

29 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

