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SENATE BILL 838

Short Title: Parents Sign Report Cards.

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Sponsors: Senator Bryan.

Referred to: Education.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT RULES
2 REQUIRING THE PARENT'S SIGNATURE ON A STUDENT'S REPORT CARD,
3 AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR STUDENT VIOLATION OF REPORT
4 CARD RULES.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

8 "(33) Local boards of education shall adopt rules requiring that student report cards
9 be signed by the parent or guardian of or a person acting **in loco parentis** to the student.
10 For purposes of this section, the term 'report card' means a student academic or
11 behavioral report card, an end-of-grading period progress report, or an interim academic
12 progress report issued at the mid point of a grading period. The rules concerning report
13 cards shall include the following: (i) parents shall be notified in writing that their
14 signature on the report card is required and that by signing the card a parent affirms that
15 he has reviewed the contents of the report card; and (ii) any student who signs the report
16 card in the name of his parent, guardian, or person standing **in loco parentis** shall be
17 issued an out-of-school suspension of three days during the school year for the first
18 offense, and an out-of-school suspension of 10 days during the school year for the
19 second and each subsequent offense."

20 Sec. 2. G.S. 115C-285 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

21 "(d) The principal shall ensure that student report cards are signed by each
22 student's parent or guardian, or person standing **in loco parentis** to the student, pursuant
23 to rules adopted by the local board of education as prescribed by G.S. 115C-47(33)."

1 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification and shall apply to all school
2 years beginning with school year 1989-90.