

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1128

Short Title: School Transp. System Penalty.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Ward and Royall.

Referred to: Education.

June 3, 1992

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO IMPOSE A
2 PENALTY ON A LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT THAT FAILS TO
3 IMPLEMENT THE TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION MANAGEMENT
4 SYSTEM BY SEPTEMBER 1, 1992.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. G.S. 115C-240(d) reads as rewritten:

8 "(d) The State Board of Education shall assist local boards of education by
9 establishing guidelines and a framework through which local boards may establish,
10 review and amend school bus routes prepared pursuant to G.S. 115C-246. The State
11 Board shall also require local boards to implement the Transportation Information
12 Management System or an equivalent system approved by the State Board of Education,
13 no later than ~~July 1, 1992.~~ September 1, 1992. The State Board of Education shall also
14 assist local boards of education with reference to the acquisition and maintenance of
15 school buses or any other question which may arise in connection with the organization
16 and operation of school bus transportation systems of local boards."

17 Sec. 2. G.S. 115C-438 reads as rewritten:

18 "**§ 115C-438. Provision for disbursement of State money.**

19 The deposit of money in the State treasury to the credit of local school
20 administrative units shall be made in monthly installments, and additionally as
21 necessary, at such time and in such a manner as may be most convenient for the
22 operation of the public school system. Before an installment is credited, the school
23 finance officer shall certify to the State Board of Education the expenditures to be made
24 by the local school administrative unit from the State Public School Fund during the

1 month. This certification shall be filed on or before the fifth day following the end of
2 the month preceding the period in which the expenditures will be made. The State
3 Board of Education shall determine whether the moneys requisitioned are due the local
4 school administrative unit, and upon determining the amount due, shall cause the
5 requisite amount to be credited to the local school administrative unit. Upon receiving
6 notice from the State Treasurer of the amount placed to the credit of the local school
7 administrative unit, the finance officer may issue State warrants up to the amount so
8 certified.

9 The State Board of Education may withhold money for payment of salaries for
10 administrative officers of local school administrative units if any report required to be
11 filed with State school authorities is more than 30 days overdue. The State Board of
12 Education shall withhold money for payment of salaries for the superintendent, finance
13 officer, and all other administrative officers charged with providing payroll information
14 pursuant to G.S. 115C-12(18), if the local school administrative unit fails to provide the
15 payroll information to the State Board in a timely fashion and substantially in
16 accordance with the standards set by the State Board. The State Board of Education
17 shall also withhold money used for payment of salaries for the superintendent,
18 transportation director, and all other administrative officers or employees charged by the
19 local board of education or the local superintendent with implementing the
20 Transportation Information Management System, pursuant to G.S. 115C-240(d), if the
21 State Board finds that a local school administrative unit is not progressing in good faith
22 and is not using its best efforts to implement the Transportation Information System.

23 Money in the State Public School Fund and State bond moneys shall be released
24 only on warrants drawn on the State Treasurer, signed by such local official as may be
25 required by the State Board of Education."

26 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.