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Short Title: Add Info on Protecting Newborn to Curriculum. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Haire, Fisher, and Justice (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCLUDE INFORMATION IN THE SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM ABOUT THE MANNER IN WHICH A PARENT MAY LAWFULLY ABANDON A NEWBORN BABY WITH A RESPONSIBLE PERSON AND TO DIRECT LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO ENSURE THAT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS RECEIVE THAT INFORMATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-81(e1) reads as rewritten:

"(1) A comprehensive school health education program shall be developed and taught to pupils of the public schools of this State from kindergarten through ninth grade. This program includes age-appropriate instruction in the following subject areas, regardless of whether this instruction is described as, or incorporated into a description of, "family life education", "family health education", "health education", "family living", "health", "healthful living curriculum", or "self-esteem":

- a. Mental and emotional health;
- b. Drug and alcohol abuse prevention;
- c. Nutrition;
- d. Dental health;
- e. Environmental health;
- f. Family living;
- g. Consumer health;
- h. Disease control;
- i. Growth and development;
- j. First aid and emergency care, including the teaching of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and the Heimlich

1 maneuver by using hands-on training with mannequins so that
2 students become proficient in order to pass a test approved by
3 the American Heart Association, or American Red Cross;

4 k. Preventing sexually transmitted diseases, including Acquired
5 Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) virus infection, and
6 other communicable diseases;

7 l. Abstinence until marriage education; ~~and~~

8 m. ~~Bicycle safety.~~safety; and

9 n. Information on the manner in which a parent may lawfully
10 abandon a newborn baby with a responsible person, in
11 accordance with G.S. 7B-500."

12 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

13 **"§ 115C-47. Powers and duties generally.**

14 In addition to the powers and duties designated in G.S. 115C-36, local boards of
15 education shall have the power or duty:

16 ...

17 (45) To Ensure That High School Students Receive Annual Instruction on
18 Lawfully abandoning a Newborn Baby. – Local boards of education
19 shall adopt policies to ensure that high school students receive
20 instruction annually on the manner in which a parent may lawfully
21 abandon a newborn baby with a responsible person, in accordance with
22 G.S. 7B-500."

23 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.