

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007**

**SESSION LAW 2007-425
HOUSE BILL 14**

AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT A RECOMMENDATION OF THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES TO PROVIDE HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION FOR DISCIPLINE PURPOSES WHEN IT IS THE LEAST RESTRICTIVE ALTERNATIVE FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES AND TO REQUIRE A REGULAR EVALUATION OF THE APPROPRIATENESS OF THE HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-107.7 reads as rewritten:

"§ 115C-107.7. ~~Discipline.~~Discipline and homebound instruction.

(a) The policies and procedures for the discipline of students with disabilities shall be consistent with federal laws and regulations.

(b) If a change of placement occurs under the discipline regulations of IDEA, a local educational agency shall not assign a student to homebound instruction without a determination by the student's IEP team that the homebound instruction is the least restrictive alternative environment for that student. If it is determined that the homebound instruction is the least restrictive alternative environment for the student, the student's IEP team shall meet to determine the nature of the homebound educational services to be provided to the student. In addition, the continued appropriateness of the homebound instruction shall be evaluated monthly by the head of the student's IEP team."

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 24th day of July, 2007.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

s/ Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved 10:16 a.m. this 23rd day of August, 2007