### GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

## Session 2009

# **Legislative Fiscal Note**

**BILL NUMBER**: Senate Bill 689 (First Edition)

**SHORT TITLE**: Modify DPI/SBE Reporting Requirements.

**SPONSOR(S)**: Senator Stevens

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Yes ( ) No (X) No Estimate Available ( )

FY 2009-10 FY 2010-11 FY 2011-12 FY 2012-13 FY 2013-14

**REVENUES** 

**EXPENDITURES** 

**POSITIONS** (cumulative):

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) &

PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: State Board of Education

**EFFECTIVE DATE**: This act is effective when it becomes law

#### **BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 689 would modify an existing report in order to reflect a change in the legislation regarding mentors for teachers:

- Section 7.17 of S.L. 2007-323. This provision in the 2007 Budget Bill (S.L. 2007-323) regarding the use of mentor teacher funds is no longer needed because new legislation enacted in 2008 changes the plan requirements for mentors.
- Section 7.8 of S.L. 2008-107. This provision in the 2008 Budget Bill (S.L. 2008-107) regarding mentor teacher funds would be amended by adding a reporting requirement. The State Board of Education (State Board) would be required to report annually to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee prior to January 15 on the use of funds for mentoring services. The report would include, at a minimum, the impact of each LEA's mentoring program on teacher retention and how all mentors in the LEA are trained.

Senate Bill 689 establishes reporting dates for certain reports that already exist:

• G.S. 115C-238.55 would be amended to change a reporting date from October 15 to January 15 so that a series of required reports regarding Cooperative Innovative High

School programs could be combined into one report. Also, language concerning a one-time 2007 report would be deleted.

- 115C-12(21). The State Board is required to monitor and compile an annual report on acts of violence in the public schools. The current provision does not specify when and to whom the report is due. Senate Bill 689 would require the State Board to submit that report to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee by March 15 of each year.
- 115C-12(27). The State Board is required to report annually to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee on dropout rates, suspensions, expulsions, and alternative placements. The current provision does not specify when the annual report is due. This bill would set March 15 as the date by which the annual report is due to Ed Oversight.

Senate Bill 689 would eliminate the following two reports that relate to programs that no longer exist:

- Section 7.22 of S.L. 2004-124. This provision in the 2004 Budget Bill (S.L. 2004-124) regarding a high school workforce development pilot program is no longer needed. These pilot schools became a part of the Learn & Earn High Schools.
- Section 7.10 of S.L. 2003-284. This provision in the 2003 Budget Bill (S.L. 2003-284) regarding High Priority Schools is not needed because there are no longer any schools that meet the criteria for high priority schools.

### ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

This bill has no fiscal impact, as it does not impose any new roles or responsibilities on the State Board of Education. The bill would simply modify existing reports and eliminate certain reports that are no longer necessary.

**SOURCES OF DATA**: None

**TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS**: None

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