

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE RESOLUTION 316

Sponsors: Senators Berger (Primary Sponsor); Barefoot, Brock, Daniel, J. Davis, Hise, B. Jackson, Lee, Rabin, Sanderson, and Soucek.

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate.

March 18, 2015

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE SENATE'S CONTINUED SUPPORT
2 AND ADVOCACY FOR STRONG, INNOVATIVE, AND HIGH-ACHIEVING PUBLIC
3 SCHOOLS DURING THE OBSERVANCE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIFTH
4 ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST PUBLIC SCHOOL IN NORTH CAROLINA.

5 Whereas, on January 8, 1839, the North Carolina General Assembly enacted the
6 Common School Law; and

7 Whereas, North Carolina's first public school opened in Rockingham County on
8 January 20, 1840; and

9 Whereas, there are more than 2,500 public schools in North Carolina serving a
10 diverse student population of more than 1.5 million children; and

11 Whereas, a strong public school system plays a critical role in fostering the
12 economic vitality of our great State and local communities; and

13 Whereas, our public schools are an integral part in ensuring our State's future
14 success and prosperity; Now, therefore,

15 Be it resolved by the Senate:

16 **SECTION 1.** The Senate reaffirms its continued support and advocacy for strong,
17 innovative, and high-achieving public schools.

18 **SECTION 2.** This resolution is effective upon adoption.

