## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2025

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## HOUSE BILL 329 Committee Substitute Favorable 3/25/25

**Short Title:** Tobacco and Hemp on Nonpublic School Grounds. (Public) Sponsors: Referred to: March 10, 2025 1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF 3 TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND HEMP-DERIVED CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS ON 4 SCHOOL GROUNDS. 5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-551(b) reads as rewritten: 7 All private church schools and all schools of religious charter are encouraged to do 8 the following: 9 10 Tobacco products and hemp-derived consumable products. – Adopt a policy (5) to prohibit the use of tobacco products and hemp-derived consumable 11 12 products on school grounds, using the requirements of Article 29A of this Chapter as guidance for the policy." 13 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 115C-559(b) reads as rewritten: 14 All qualified nonpublic schools are encouraged to do the following: 15 "(b) 16 17 <u>Tobacco products and hemp-derived consumable products. – Adopt a policy</u> (5) to prohibit the use of tobacco products and hemp-derived consumable 18 products on school grounds, using the requirements of Article 29A of this 19 Chapter as guidance for the policy." 20 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law. 21

