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SENATE BILL DRS15205-NH-112

Short Title: End Block Scheduling. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Moffitt and McInnis (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO END BLOCK SCHEDULING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-84.2 reads as rewritten:

5 "**§ 115C-84.2. School calendar.**

6 (a) School Calendar. – Each local board of education shall adopt a school calendar
7 consisting of 215 days all of which shall fall within the fiscal year. A school calendar shall include
8 the following:

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10 (1b) A class schedule in which no class period or subject is scheduled for more
11 than 50 total minutes of instructional time per instructional day.

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13 (a1) Report on School ~~Start and Release~~ Times. – As part of the reporting requirements
14 under the Uniform Education Reporting System pursuant to G.S. 115C-12(18), each local board
15 of education shall report to the State Board of Education on the following:

16 (1) The start time and release time for each school under control of the local board
17 of education. For the purposes of this subsection, "start time" shall mean the
18 time of day when academic classes begin for the majority of students enrolled
19 in the school, and "release time" shall mean the time of day when academic
20 classes end for the majority of students enrolled in the school. Each local
21 board of education shall also identify and include additional information in
22 the report regarding any schools that have a start time or release time that does
23 not conform to the definitions set forth in this subsection.

24 (2) A copy of the class period schedule for each school under control of the local
25 board of education that is in compliance with subdivision (a)(1b) of this
26 section.

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28 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with
29 the 2026-2027 school year.



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