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SENATE BILL DRS15311-NHa-5

Short Title: CFSS Gun Prsnt. for Grade 7 and 9 Students.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Burgin (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE CENTER FOR SAFER SCHOOLS TO DEVELOP A PRESENTATION ON THE CONSEQUENCES OF GUN USE AND TO REQUIRE LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS TO PROVIDE THE PRESENTATION TO ALL STUDENTS IN GRADE SEVEN AND GRADE NINE IN PUBLIC SCHOOL UNITS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-105.57(c) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(2a) Develop and update, as necessary, an interactive presentation on the legal, medical, and emotional consequences of youth gun possession, substance abuse, gun violence, and gun safety for students in grade seven and grade nine. The Center shall provide training and materials for the presentation to all local school administrative units and shall provide training and materials to any other public school unit which requests to voluntarily give the presentation."

SECTION 2. G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(68) Duty to provide presentation on consequences of gun use. – Each local school administrative unit shall provide a presentation in accordance with G.S. 115C-105.57(c)(2a) to all students in grade seven and grade nine. No later than 14 days prior to the date on which the presentation is to be given, the local school administrative unit shall ensure that all parents of students that will be receiving the presentation are given notice of the presentation and the opportunity to opt the student out of receiving the presentation."

SECTION 3. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction the sum of nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000) in recurring funds for the 2023-2024 fiscal year for the Center for Safer Schools to provide training and materials to enable local school administrative units and other voluntary public school units to give a presentation on the consequences of gun use to students in grade seven and grade nine in accordance with G.S. 115C-105.57(c)(2a), as enacted by this act.

SECTION 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2023, and applies beginning with the 2024-2025 school year.



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