

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2001**

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**HOUSE BILL 1415\***

Short Title: School Counselor Pay Scale Increase.

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Sponsors: Representatives Boyd-McIntyre; and Barefoot.

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Referred to: Appropriations.

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April 26, 2001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO PLACE SCHOOL COUNSELORS ON THE SAME SALARY  
2 SCHEDULE AS SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS.  
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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** Effective for the 2001-2002 school year, the first step of the  
6 salary schedule for school counselors shall be equivalent to Step 5, corresponding to  
7 five years of experience, on the salary schedule established in this section for certified  
8 personnel of the public schools who are classified as "M" teachers. Certified counselors  
9 shall be placed on the salary schedule at an appropriate step based on their years of  
10 experience and appropriate NBPTS certification. Certified counselors shall receive  
11 longevity payments based on years of State service in the same manner as teachers.

12 Certified counselors with certification based on academic preparation at the  
13 six-year degree level shall receive a salary supplement of one hundred twenty-six  
14 dollars (\$126.00) per month in addition to the compensation provided for certified  
15 counselors. Counselors with certification based on academic preparation at the doctoral  
16 degree level shall receive a salary supplement of two hundred fifty-three dollars  
17 (\$253.00) per month in addition to the compensation provided for certified counselors.

18 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2001.