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HOUSE DRH70291-LE-131 (2/19)

Short Title: Bldg. Stds./Pre-K Classes in Public Schools. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Folwell.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ALLOW PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO USE THE SAME BUILDING STANDARDS
3 FOR PREKINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS AS FOR KINDERGARTEN
4 CLASSROOMS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-521 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7 "(f) Notwithstanding the provisions regarding day care facilities of (i) the North
8 Carolina State Building Code, (ii) rules adopted by the Department of Health and Human
9 Services, or (iii) rules adopted by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, any
10 existing or newly constructed classroom in a public school that meets State and local
11 requirements for a kindergarten classroom may be used for three-and four-year-old preschool
12 students without modifications to the classroom or building so long as the classroom has at
13 least one toilet and one hand sink for hand washing.

14 Classrooms that meet this standard shall qualify the facility for the highest State rating as a
15 day care facility."

16 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

