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SENATE BILL 117

Short Title: Modify School Performance Scores & Grades. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Waddell, Mohammed, and Peterson (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

February 25, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MODIFY SCHOOL PERFORMANCE SCORES BY GIVING EQUAL WEIGHT TO SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AND SCHOOL GROWTH AND TO MODIFY SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADES BY ADOPTING A FIFTEEN-POINT SCALE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-83.15(d) reads as rewritten:

"(d) Calculation of the Overall School Performance Scores and Grades. – The State Board of Education shall calculate the overall school performance score by adding the school achievement score, as provided in subsection (b) of this section, and the school growth score, as determined using EVAAS as provided in subsection (c) of this section, earned by a school. The school achievement score shall account for ~~eighty percent (80%)~~, ~~fifty percent (50%)~~, and the school growth score shall account for ~~twenty percent (20%)~~ fifty percent (50%) of the total sum. For all schools, the total school performance score shall be converted to a 100-point scale and used to determine an overall school performance grade. The overall school performance grade shall be based on the following scale and shall not be modified to add any other designation related to other performance measures, such as a "plus" or "minus":

- (1) A school performance score of at least ~~90-85~~ is equivalent to an overall school performance grade of A.
- (2) A school performance score of at least ~~80-70~~ is equivalent to an overall school performance grade of B.
- (3) A school performance score of at least ~~70-55~~ is equivalent to an overall school performance grade of C.
- (4) A school performance score of at least ~~60-40~~ is equivalent to an overall school performance grade of D.
- (5) A school performance score of less than ~~60 points-40~~ is equivalent to an overall school performance grade of F."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

