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**SENATE BILL 160\***

Short Title: Life Changing Experiences Sch. Pilot Program. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Hise, T. Alexander, and D. Davis (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

February 28, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCES SCHOOL PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE 2019-2021 FISCAL BIENNIUM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** The Department of Public Instruction shall establish the Life Changing Experiences School Pilot Program for the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium. The Department shall contract with the Children and Parent Resource Group, Inc., to design, implement, and evaluate a two-year Life Changing Experiences School Pilot Program (Project), beginning with the 2019-2020 school year and ending with the 2020-2021 school year. The Project shall be operated and administered for students in grades six through 11 in the following local school administrative units: Lincoln County Schools, McDowell County Schools, Mitchell County Schools, and Pitt County Schools. These contract funds shall not be used for any purpose other than to implement the Project in the local school administrative units, which consists of traveling three-dimensional, interactive, holistic, and evidence-based multimedia education in-school programs. The Project includes theme-specific programs screened as school assemblies and additional follow-up applications that address dangerous life and community threatening activities that negatively impact teenagers, including alcohol and other drugs, dangerous driving, violence, and bullying. The goal of these programs is to increase positive intentions and behavioral outcomes by teaching students the techniques and skills that empower them to reach meaningful life goals, employ positive behaviors, and start businesses and social enterprises.

**SECTION 2.** The Children and Parent Resource Group, Inc., in consultation with the Department of Public Instruction, shall submit an initial report on the Project authorized by Section 1 of this act by March 1, 2020, and a final report by March 1, 2021, to the Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee and the Fiscal Research Division. The report shall include an accounting of expenditures and student outcome data related to the operation of the Project.

**SECTION 3.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction the sum of three hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$360,000) in nonrecurring funds for each year of the 2019-2021 fiscal biennium to implement the provisions of this act.

**SECTION 4.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2019.

