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SENATE BILL 389

Short Title: Surplus Computers for Public Schools. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Waddell, Fitch, and Smith (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to: Rules and Operations of the Senate

March 28, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO BE RECIPIENTS OF SURPLUS STATE
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT THAT IS DISTRIBUTED BY NONPROFIT ENTITIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 143-64.02 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143-64.02. **Definitions.**

As used in Part 1 of this Article, except where the context clearly requires otherwise:

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(2) "Nonprofit tax exempt organizations" means the following entities certified by the Internal Revenue Service as tax-exempt nonprofit organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1954: medical institutions, hospitals, clinics, health centers, school systems, schools, colleges, universities, schools for the mentally retarded, schools for the physically handicapped, radio and television stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission as educational radio or educational television stations, public libraries, civil defense organizations, and nonprofit entities that are qualified under rules adopted by the State Surplus Property Agency of the Department of Administration to refurbish computers and donate them to public schools or low-income students ~~or households~~ throughout the State.

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SECTION 2. G.S. 143-64.03 reads as rewritten:

"§ 143-64.03. **Powers and duties of the State agency for surplus property.**

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(b) The State Surplus Property Agency is authorized and empowered to act as a clearinghouse of information for agencies and private nonprofit tax-exempt organizations, to locate property available for acquisition from State agencies, to ascertain the terms and conditions under which the property may be obtained, to receive requests from agencies and private nonprofit tax-exempt organizations, and transmit all available information about the property, and to aid and assist the agencies and private nonprofit tax-exempt organizations in transactions for the acquisition of State surplus property. When distributing computer equipment to nonprofit entities that refurbish computers and donate them to public schools or low-income students ~~or households~~ in this State, the State Surplus Property Agency must give consideration to the counties where the computer equipment will be donated to ensure that all geographic regions of the State benefit from the distributions.

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SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

