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HOUSE BILL 983

Short Title: Education School Standards.	(Public
Sponsors: Representatives Chapin; and Bowman.	
Referred to: Education.	
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ADOPT RULES TO STRENGTHEN THE CONTINUING AND COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SCHOOLS OF EDUCATION AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 115C-296 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

- "(d) The General Assembly finds that school of education faculty members responsible for the preparation of teachers must themselves be competent and committed teachers, that they must know and regularly renew their knowledge of what effective classroom teaching demands and how effective teaching is accomplished, and that they must know the teaching profession, engage regularly in the practice of the profession they seek to transmit, and be models of optimal practice; therefore the State Board of Education shall adopt rules to require that each institution of higher education approved by the State Board of Education for the preparation of teachers shall meet the following standards and requirements:
 - (1) Faculty members who teach teaching methods shall be certified to teach in the areas for which they are preparing or supervising prospective classroom teachers and shall regularly work with teachers in the public schools;
 - (2) Each member of the faculty shall be required to spend at least two consecutive weeks, full time, every two years teaching in a public school;
- (3) The faculty shall include adequate numbers of competent, experienced school teachers who make up a paid 'clinical faculty' who continue to

		teach full or part time in the public schools and who have a major
2		responsibility for the method courses, student supervision, and
3		professional practice portions of the teacher preparation program; and
ļ	<u>(4)</u>	The institution shall provide observation and assistance to first-year
5		teachers that are employed within a 50-mile radius of the school from
5		which they received their degree."
7	Sec. 2	2. This act is effective upon ratification.