GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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S 1 SENATE BILL 482 Short Title: Local Flexibility/Sch. Evaluations. (Public) Sponsors: Senators Lucas; Albertson, Ballance, Cooper, Dannelly, Hoyle, Martin of Pitt, Martin of Guilford, Miller, Phillips, Purcell, Shaw of Cumberland, and Warren. Referred to: Education/Higher Education. March 23, 1999 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO GIVE LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY IN DEALING WITH CERTIFIED EMPLOYEES WHO RECEIVE POOR RATINGS ON EVALUATIONS. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. G.S. 115C-333(b) reads as rewritten: Action Plans. -"(b) If a certified employee in a low-performing school receives an (1) unsatisfactory or below standard rating on any function of the evaluation that is related to the employee's instructional duties, the individual or team that conducted the evaluation shall recommend to the

superintendent that: (i) the employee receive an action plan designed to

improve the employee's performance; or (ii) the superintendent

recommend to the local board that the employee be dismissed or

demoted. The superintendent shall determine whether to develop an

action plan or to recommend a dismissal proceeding. Action plans shall

be developed by the person who evaluated the employee or the

employee's supervisor unless the evaluation was conducted by an

assistance team or an assessment team. If the evaluation was conducted

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1		by an assistance team or an assessment team, that team shall develop the
2		action plan in collaboration with the employee's supervisor. Action
3		plans shall be designed to be completed within 90 instructional days or
4		before the beginning of the next school year. The State Board shall
5		develop guidelines that include strategies to assist local boards in
6		evaluating certified employees and developing effective action plans
7		within the time allotted under this section. Local boards may adopt
8		policies for the development and implementation of action plans or
9		professional development plans for employees who do not require
10		action plans under this section.
11	(2)	Local boards shall adopt policies to require action plans for all certified
12	` '	employees who receive a below standard or unsatisfactory rating on an
13		evaluation in the event the superintendent does not recommend

evaluation in the event the superintendent does not recommend dismissal, demotion, or nonrenewal."

Section 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 1999, and applies to all school years beginning with the 1999-2000 school year.

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