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HOUSE BILL 1491
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Short Title: Insurance for School Social Workers.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 21, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE
2 LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS WHO
3 TRANSPORT STUDENTS.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** Article 21 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes is amended
7 by adding the following new section to read:

8 "**§ 115C-317.1. School social workers and transporting students.**

9 A school social worker shall not be required to transport students without the
10 existence of a written job description or local board policy that imposes this
11 requirement."

12 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 115C-47 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

13 "(25a) To Reimburse the Additional Cost of Automobile Liability Coverage
14 for School Social Workers Required to Transport Students. – A local
15 board of education may require a school social worker who is required
16 to transport students as provided under G.S. 115C-317.1 to increase
17 the liability limits or add a business-use rider, or both, on that
18 employee's personal automobile liability insurance policy for the
19 purpose of transporting students within the course of that employee's
20 work duties. If the board imposes this requirement on a school social
21 worker, the board shall reimburse the employee for the additional
22 premium charged for the increased liability limits or the added rider, or
23 both."

24 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.