GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2007

HOUSE BILL 1519 RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO MODIFY THE LAW PERTAINING TO THE RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES BETWEEN THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING SCHOOL FUNDING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-431(d) reads as rewritten:

"(d) If an appeal is taken to the appellate division of the General Court of Justice, and if such an appeal would result in a delay beyond a reasonable time for levying taxes for the year, the judge shall order the board of county commissioners to appropriate to the local school administrative unit for deposit in the local current expense fund a sum of money sufficient when added to all other moneys available to that fund to equal the amount of this fund for the previous year. An appeal may be taken to the appellate division of the General Court of Justice, and notice of appeal shall be given in writing within 10 days after entry of the judgment. All papers and records relating to the case shall be considered a part of the record on appeal. The conclusion of the school or fiscal year shall not be deemed to resolve the question in controversy between the parties while an appeal is still pending. Any final judgment shall be legally binding on the parties at the conclusion of the appellate process. The payment of any final judgment by the county in favor of the local school administrative unit shall not be considered, or used in any manner, to deny or reduce appropriations to the local school administrative unit by the county in fiscal years subsequent to the one at issue to offset such payment of a final judgment."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law. In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 14th day of June, 2007.

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| Approved | m. this | Governor day of | , 2007 |

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