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HOUSE BILL 1031

Short Title: Bldg. Stds./Pre-K Classes in Public Schools. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Folwell, Carney, Goforth, Dollar (Primary Sponsors); Faison and Lucas.

Referred to: Education, if favorable, State Government/State Personnel.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO USE THE SAME BUILDING STANDARDS  
FOR PREKINDERGARTEN CLASSROOMS AS FOR KINDERGARTEN  
CLASSROOMS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 115C-521 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(f) Notwithstanding the provisions regarding day care facilities of (i) the North Carolina State Building Code, (ii) rules adopted by the Department of Health and Human Services, or (iii) rules adopted by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, any existing or newly constructed classroom in a public school that meets State and local requirements for a kindergarten classroom may be used for three-and four-year-old preschool students without modifications to the classroom or building so long as the classroom has at least one toilet and one hand sink for hand washing.

Classrooms that meet this standard shall qualify the facility for the highest State rating as a day care facility."

**SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.



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